

## Looking forward to the IAAF World Indoor Tour

The 2018 **IAAF World Indoor Tour** will get under way later this week.

Now in its third year, this year's series has expanded to six meetings. It starts in Karlsruhe on 3 February before heading to Dusseldorf (6 February) Madrid (8 February), Boston (10 February) and Torun (15 February) before concluding in Glasgow on 25 February.

At the end of the series, the overall winners of each individual **scoring discipline** will gain a wild card for the **IAAF World Indoor Championships Birmingham 2018**, which starts just four days after the conclusion of the IAAF World Indoor Tour.

The **IAAF Race Walking Challenge** will also get under way in the coming weeks with the Oceania 20km Race Walk Championships on 11 February heralding the start of the series.

### IAAF HQ HEADLINE NEWS



### US\$500,000 SOLIDARITY FUND TO ASSIST NACAC FEDERATIONS REBUILD

IAAF President Sebastian Coe visited Puerto Rico on 16 January to continue discussions and on this occasion hear first-hand about the devastating damage caused last year by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria and Jose.

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### OTHER NEWS

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- [Medals for IAAF World Indoor Championships Birmingham 2018 unveiled](#)
- [2018 IAAF World Indoor Tour – one week to go](#)
- [Taicang marks 100 days to go to the IAAF World Race Walking Team Championships](#)
- [Countdown gathers pace with 100 days to go before IAAF/Trinidad Alfonso World Half Marathon Championships Valencia 2018](#)
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### FEATURED NEWS



### Event impact study reveals success of IAAF World Championships London 2017

An event impact study has demonstrated the huge benefits of London hosting the world's biggest sporting event in 2017.



### New, more extreme direction for cross country competition

Cross country running should move towards a more extreme, edgier style to attract new audiences as well as a new breed of cross country runner to the discipline. That was one of the main recommendations made by the IAAF Cross Country Committee at its meeting on 20 January in Seville.

### Official Bulletin now available – IAAF World Half Marathon Championships Valencia 2018

The local organising committee of the IAAF/Trinidad Alfonso World Half Marathon Championships Valencia 2018 has published the Official Bulletin for this year's championships.



### IAAF strengthens senior management team heading into 2018

The IAAF has made three key senior management hires.

## FOR THE RECORD

### ATHLETES SANCTIONED FOR A DOPING OFFENCE

An up-to-date list can be downloaded [here](#).

### NEW MEMBER FEDERATION OFFICERS – RECENT ELECTIONS / APPOINTMENTS

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## OBITUARIES

- Athletics coach **Bob Parker**
- IAAF Honorary Life Member **Hassan Agabani**
- Czech judge and official **Petr Zeman**
- German athletics journalist **Christian Fuchs**
- 1952 Olympic steeplechase champion **Horace Ashenfelter**
- Cuban coach **Irolán Echevarría**

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