

Looking forward to the IAAF World Athletics Championships Doha 2019

In four weeks from now, the **IAAF World Athletics Championships Doha 2019** will get under way as the Qatari capital hosts the 17th edition of the IAAF's flagship event.

The championships, which runs from 27 September until 6 October, will be attended by approximately 2000 athletes representing more than 200 national teams. Athletics fans can look forward to intense competitions highlighted by head-to-head duels and record-breaking performances; scintillating sport which will be relayed around the world to an accumulated 10-day audience of 6 billion viewers in more than 200 territories.

The **52nd IAAF Congress** will also be hosted in Doha. Congress begins with an opening ceremony and dinner on the evening of Tuesday 24 September at Qatar National Convention Centre. That will be followed by working sessions all day Wednesday (25) and on Thursday morning (26) at Sheraton Grand Doha, then the **IAAF Convention** will be held on Thursday afternoon (26).

The **218th IAAF Council Meeting** will be held on Monday 23 September at Sheraton Grand Doha. In the same location on Friday 27 September, as is tradition prior to every IAAF World Championships, a joint meeting will be held between the IAAF Council and the Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee. The **219th IAAF Council Meeting** will be held on 6 October, the final day of the IAAF World Athletics Championships.

IAAF HQ HEADLINE NEWS



ZURICH TO HOST DIAMOND LEAGUE FINAL IN 2020 AND 2021 AS THE LEAGUE UNDERGOES REFORM TO BECOME STRONGER AND MORE RELEVANT TO ATHLETES AND FANS

Weltklasse Zurich will host the 2020 and 2021 Diamond League finals under the new one-final format that was jointly announced by the IAAF and Diamond League in March.

The Diamond League was established in 2010 with two finals, traditionally held in Zurich and Brussels, but for the next two years Zurich, long considered one of the pre-eminent one-day meetings in the world, will host the single final.

The selection of the final venue was also influenced by the scheduled renovation of the King Baudouin Stadium in Brussels over the next two years. [Full story](#)

FEATURED NEWS

Zurich winners claim wild cards for IAAF World Athletics Championships Doha 2019



Not only did the 16 individual event winners at last night's IAAF Diamond League final walk away from Zurich with a \$50,000 bonus, they also earned a wild card entry to the IAAF World Athletics Championships Doha 2019, which will start four weeks from today, on September 27.

Candidates announced for IAAF Athletes' Commission elections



The IAAF has received 15 nominations for the six available seats on the IAAF Athletes' Commission.

Silesia named host of 2021 IAAF World Relays



The IAAF World Relays will head to Europe for the first time in 2021, with the Polish region of Silesia confirmed today as host of the fifth edition of the biennial event.

Economic impact study reveals success of IAAF World Cross Country Championships Aarhus 2019



As the Australian city of Bathurst prepares to host the 2021 edition, an economic and social impact study has demonstrated the huge benefits of the Danish city of Aarhus hosting the 2019 IAAF World Cross Country Championships.

OTHER NEWS

- **Ashton Eaton and Brienne Theisen-Eaton named ambassadors for IAAF World Athletics Championships Doha 2019**
- **Medals revealed for IAAF World Athletics Championships Doha 2019**
- **Weltklasse Zurich's Heritage evening reunites legendary athletes**
- **Comprehensive guide to sports nutrition now available**
- **In historic first, race day air quality measured at Mexico City Marathon**
- **IAAF seeking candidates for independent member of Athletics Integrity Unit Board Appointments Panel**
- **Job vacancy: Lead Counsel Sports and Business Law**
- **Job vacancies: eLearning content manager and eLearning content integrator**

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETES SANCTIONED FOR A DOPING OFFENCE

An up-to-date list is available on the [Athletics Integrity Unit website](#).

NEW MEMBER FEDERATION OFFICERS – RECENT ELECTIONS / APPOINTMENTS

Member federation	President	General secretary
BAN	ASM Ali Kabir (re-elected)	Bashil Ali Abdur Rokib (re-elected)
NZL	Cameron Taylor (re-elected)	Peter Pfitzinger (re-elected)
TLS	Afranio Xavier Amaral (re-elected)	Filomena Barros Dos Reis (re-elected)

The above information is supplied by the IAAF governance, member and international relations department and represents member federation election results received since the last IAAF newsletter.

WORLD RECORD WATCH (as at 30 August 2019)



Ratified: women's mile

4:12.33 Sifan Hassan (NED) Monaco 12 July 2019

Previous: 4:12:56 Svetlana Masterkova (RUS) Zurich 14 August 1996



Ratified: men's indoor 1500m

3:31.04 Samuel Tefera (ETH) Birmingham 16 February 2019

Previous: 3:31.18 Hicham El Guerrouj (MAR) Stuttgart 2 February 1997

Pending ratification - performances achieved in 2019

- Men's indoor 4x400m: 3:01.51 University of Houston (USA) Clemson 9 Feb 2019
- Men's 5km: 13:29 Edward Cheserek (KEN) Carlsbad 7 Apr 2019
- U20 women's 100m: 10.75 Sha'Carri Richardson (USA) Austin 8 Jun 2019
- U20 women's 200m: 22.17 Sha'Carri Richardson (USA) Austin 8 Jun 2019
- U20 men's 4x100m: 38.62 USA (Arian Smith, Justin Ofofan, Marcellus Moore, Matthew Boling) San Jose 20 Jul 2019
- U20 women's 4x400m: 3:24.04 USA (Alexis Holmes, Kimberly Harris, Ziyah Hilman, Kayla Davis) San Jose 21 Jul 2019
- U20 men's 4x400m: 2:59.30 USA (Frederick Lewis, Matthew Boling, Matthew Moorer, Justin Robinson) San Jose 21 Jul 2019
- U20 women's 100m hurdles: 12.79 (1.4) and 12.71 (1.3) Brittany Anderson (JAM) Joensuu 24 Jul 2019
- Women's 400m hurdles: 52.20 Dalilah Muhammad (USA) Des Moines 28 Jul 2019

Rejected or unratifiable - performances achieved in 2019

- U20 men's indoor 1500m: 3:36.21 Jakob Ingebrigtsen (NOR) Bærum 10 Feb 2019
(No 'zero control' test of the starting equipment was conducted, as required by IAAF Rule 260.14a)
- Women's 20km race walk: 1:24:16 Yelena Lashmanova (RUS) Sochi 18 Feb 2019
(No international judges)
- Women's 50km race walk: 3:57:08 Klavdiya Afanasyeva (RUS) Cheboksary 16 Jun 2019
(No international judges)

Vacant records

- Women's 50,000m race walk
A minimum standard of 4:20:00 has been recommended for the first record. The fastest so far has been:
4:29:45.6 Katie Burnett (USA) San Diego 15 Jul 2019
- Mixed 4x400m
The IAAF Council approved agreed that the inaugural world record will be the first performance to better the recognised world best performance at end of 2017, which was 3:13.20 USA from 2016. Discounting Bahrain's 3:11.89 from 2018 which was not subject to doping control, the fastest legitimate mark since then has been: 3:15.49 Poland (Kajetan Duszyński [M], Patrycja Wyciszekiewicz [W], Justyna Święty-Ersetic [W], Karol Zalewski [M]) Yokohama 11 May 2019

OBITUARIES

Former marathon world record-holder Basil Heatley

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