

Looking ahead to Sopot and Copenhagen

The six **IAAF Indoor Permit** meetings and various national indoor championships over the past month have provided just a taste of what to expect at the **IAAF World Indoor Championships**. And if the performances so far this year are anything to go by, there will be much to look forward to when the world's best track and field athletes descend upon the Polish city of Sopot on 7-9 March.

There will barely be enough time to pause for breath after the World Indoors as just three weeks later the focus turns to the roads when the Danish capital of Copenhagen hosts the **IAAF World Half Marathon Championships** on 29 March. The 19th edition of the global event will also provide the opportunity to the masses of running alongside the world's best athletes in a 'Run with the champions' mass-participation race held alongside the elite events.

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SOPOT'S ERGO ARENA'S ATHLETICS TRACK OFFICIALLY OPENED

The athletics track at the ERGO Arena, the venue for the 2014 IAAF World Indoor Championships in the Polish city of Sopot, was officially opened on 16 February. [READ MORE](#).

Photo: Karolina Tyminska winning the VIP race in Sopot

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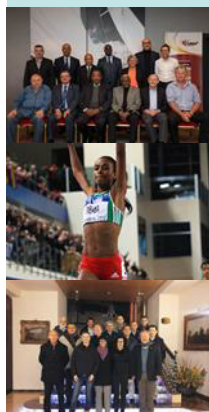
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The annual meeting between the IAAF and the presidents and general secretaries of the six Area Associations took place over two days in Monaco (2-3 Feb). [READ MORE](#)

Sopot prepares to welcome the world's best

The athletics world has been treated to several world indoor records already this year, so hopes are high that there will be more record-breaking performances at the IAAF World Indoor Championships. [READ MORE](#)
Meanwhile, the combined events fields were announced with two weeks to go. [READ MORE](#)

IAAF Technical Committee holds 2014 annual meeting

The IAAF Technical Committee held its annual meeting in Alba, Italy, on 8-9 February, hosted by the Official IAAF Partner Mondo. [READ MORE](#)

Entries, team selection, scoring, lane draw and competing order – Marrakech 2014

The 2014 IAAF Continental Cup, held in the Moroccan city of Marrakech on 13-14 September, will follow the same reformatted set-up that featured in the 2010 edition with four teams competing against one another. [READ MORE](#)



FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETES SANCTIONED FOR A DOPING OFFENCE SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER

According to information received by the IAAF as of 19 February 2014

NAME	NAT	EVENT	DATE	SANCTION
KRUGLYAKOV Valentin (DOB 28.08.85)	RUS	In competition test, 'Russian Championships', Moscow, RUS	13.02.13	4 years ineligibility 21.02.13-20.02.17
VARELA Euriclides (DOB 06.04.82)	CPV	IAAF Rule 32.2 (d) – 3 Whereabouts Failures within an 18 month period	22.01.12	1 year and 6 months ineligibility 05.01.14-05.01.15
TAHRI Karim (DOB 25/01/84)	FRA	IAAF Rule 32.2 (c) – Refusal to submit to doping control 'Championnats de France Elite', Paris, FRA	14.07.13	2 years ineligibility 26.08.13-25.08.15
HARROUFI Ridouane (DOB 30.07.81)	MAR	In competition test, 'Los Angeles Marathon', Los Angeles, USA	17.03.13	2 years ineligibility 31.07.13-30.07.15
KURT Yeliz (DOB 15.01.84)	TUR	Out of Competition test	07.06.13	2 years ineligibility 25.06.13-25.06.15
CERRONE OBRUBANSKY Maksym (DOB 21.06.88)	ITA	In competition test, 'Campionati Italiani Assoluti e Promesse Indoor' & IAAF Rule 32.2 (b) Athlete Biological Passport Case	17.02.13	4 years ineligibility 30.05.13-29.05.15
FLANDERS Wendoli (DOB unknown)	DOM	In competition test, 'Atletismo Militar 2013', Santo Domingo, DOM	04.04.13	2 years ineligibility 08.06.13-07.06.15
SZABO Attila (DOB 13.05.82)	HUN	IAAF Rule 32.2 (d) – 3 Whereabouts Failures within an 18 month period	01.10.13	1 year ineligibility 07.01.14-06.01.15
LAALOU Amine (DOB 13.05.82)	MAR	In competition test, 'Meeting d'athlétisme Herculis', MON	20.07.12	2 years ineligibility 03.08.12-02.08.14
MORGADO Marco (DOB 02.01.82)	POR	IAAF Rule 32.2 (b) – Athlete Biological Passport Case	29.10.11	4 years ineligibility 24.02.13-24.02.17
SILVA Fernando (DOB 01.06.80)	POR	IAAF Rule 32.2 (b) – Athlete Biological Passport Case	29.10.11	8 years ineligibility 24.09.13-23.09.21
WANG Jiali (DOB 01.02.86)	CHN	IAAF Rule 32.2 (b) – Athlete Biological Passport Case	29.05.12	2 years ineligibility 26.02.13-25.02.15
SALAH SALEM Marwa (DOB 07.08.96)	BRN	In competition test, '4th GCC Women Athletics Championships', Isa Town, BRN	28.10.13	2 years ineligibility 02.12.13-01.12.15

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NOTES - ABPC: Athlete Biological Passport Case; ADRV: Anti-Doping Rule Violation; OOC: Out Of Competition Test

NEW MEMBER FEDERATION OFFICERS – RECENT ELECTIONS / APPOINTMENTS

MEMBER FEDERATION	PRESIDENT	GENERAL SECRETARY
DMA	Cedric Harris (re-elected)	Shantell Graham Xavier
HON	José Calixto Sierra (re-elected)	Luis Daniel Flores Ancel
IRQ	Talib Faisal	Adel Mohammed Dahash
LBA	Muhsan Muhamad A. Essabai	Walid Emabruk
NEP	Rajeev Bikram Shah	—
NZL	David Norris	—
UGA	Otuacet Dominic	Beatrice Ayikoru

The above information is supplied by the IAAF Member Services Dept and represents Member Federation election results received since the last IAAF Newsletter.

TRANSFERS OF ALLEGIANCE

FAMILY NAME	FIRST NAMES	DOB	FROM	TO	DATES	
					FOR PERFORMANCES	ELIGIBILITY TO REPRESENT IN COMPETITIONS UNDER RULES 1.1(a), (b), (c), (f) or (g)
Bahta Ogbagaber	Meraf	24 August 1989	ERI	SWE	14 January 2014	20 January 2014
Zamel-Paez	Liam	4 August 1988	AUS	IRL	31 January 2014	31 January 2014

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IAAF Yearbook 2013

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• Olympic 10,000m bronze medallist Dave Power



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