Looking forward to the IAAF World Championships London 2017

In little more than one week from now, the IAAF World Championships London 2017 will get under way as the British capital hosts the 16th edition of the IAAF’s flagship event.

The championships, which runs from 4-13 August, will be held in the stadium that hosted so many memorable moments from the 2012 Olympic Games.

Approximately 2000 athletes representing more than 200 national teams will be competing in London. 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 51st IAAF Congress will also be hosted in London. Congress begins with an opening ceremony and dinner on the evening of Tuesday 1 August at the Great Hall, Guildhall. There will be two full-day working sessions (Wed 2 / Thu 3) at ExCel London; the first of those days is IAAF Athletics Connect, a day which is designed to inspire, inform, create discussion and provide opportunities to network.

The 210th IAAF Council Meeting will be held on Monday 31 July at the Marriott West India Quay. In the same location on Friday 4 August, as is traditional 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 211th IAAF Council Meeting will be held on 13 August, the final day of the IAAF World Championships.

**IAAF HQ HEADLINE NEWS**

**COE VISITS ATHLETE REFUGEE TEAM ON EVE OF IAAF WORLD U18 CHAMPIONSHIPS DEBUT**

Following their participation at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games and the IAAF World Relays Bahamas 2017, the athlete refugee team has achieved another first.

Lydia Philip Mamun (400m), Sunday Kamisa Peter (800m) and Mohammed Ahmed Abubakar (1500m) comprised the athlete refugee team for the IAAF World U18 Championships Nairobi 2017. Mamun and Peter are originally from South Sudan while Abubakar is from Ethiopia.

[Full story]

**OTHER NEWS**

- Women's 50km race walking event added to IAAF World Championships London 2017 programme
- Levelling the playing field in female sport: new research published in the British Journal of Sports Medicine
- IAAF Kids Athletics event in Nairobi helps ensure lasting legacy for the sport
- IAAF statement – release of information following cyber attack
- Athletics Integrity Unit Statement - Frank Fredericks
- IAAF seeking Ethical Compliance Officer/Regulatory Lawyer
- Athletics Integrity Unit seeking Administration and Office Manager
- Sport's rising stars host training clinic in London
- ASICS aims to get Londoners off the train and into their trainers ahead of IAAF World Championships
- IAAF approves the application of nine Russians, Klavdia Afanaseva, a further 16 Russians and an additional eight Russians to compete internationally as neutral athletes
Ennis-Hill and US women’s 4x400m team to receive reallocated gold medals in London
The IAAF World Championships London 2017 will rightfully see the reallocation of a number of world championship medals including two golds. These upgrades follow the disqualification of the results of the original medallists after their sanction for anti-doping rule violations.

IAAF Athletics Connect 2017 – 51st IAAF Congress
The 51st IAAF Congress takes place from 1-3 August 2017 with an innovative one-day convention called IAAF Athletics Connect on Wednesday 2 August, designed to bring together and inspire the global athletics community.

London to host 3rd IAAF World Coaches Conference
The 3rd IAAF World Coaches Conference will be held in London from 7-10 August. This year’s event is taking place during the IAAF World Championships London 2017 on the mornings when there are no competition sessions.

IAAF Kids Athletics event in Nairobi helps ensure lasting legacy for the sport
The IAAF and the Faculty of Health and Sport Sciences at University of Tsukuba joined forces with Kenyatta University, the Tegla Loroupe Peace Foundation and the United Nations Office in Nairobi to stage a packed day of activities for some 400 children on the playing fields at Kenyatta University.

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
An up-to-date list can be downloaded here.

OBITUARIES

• Former Greek Olympic Committee president Minos Kyriakou
• Athletics administrator Bernard Nottage

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