Looking forward to who will be crowned the World Athletes of 2017

The IAAF Athlete of the Year finalists have been announced and the winners will be revealed at the IAAF Athletics Awards 2017 on 24 November in Monaco.

Other awards – including the Coaching Achievement Award, the rising stars of the year, and the photograph of the year – will be presented on the night as the athletics world looks back on another memorable year for the sport.

The IAAF Athletics Awards 2017 will be followed by the IAAF Council Meeting on 25-26 November.

OFFICIAL IAAF WORLD RANKINGS FIRST STEP IN FUNDAMENTAL CHANGES IN ATHLETICS

The IAAF has announced an exclusive partnership with Elite Ltd (All Athletics) to create the first official IAAF World Rankings as a qualification mechanism to drive the sport’s annual competition system.

The MOU signed between the IAAF and Elite Ltd covers the build, management and maintenance of a new IAAF results and statistics database and the development of an official IAAF World Rankings system that will lead to qualification in to the premier competitions in the sport.

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OTHER NEWS

IAAF ATHLETICS AWARDS 2017 NEWS

- IAAF World Athlete of the Year 2017 finalists announced
- Finalists announced for 2017 IAAF Rising Star Awards
- Photograph of the year to be recognised at IAAF Athletics Awards 2017
- Preparations ‘on track for an amazing’ IAAF World Indoor Championships Birmingham 2018
- Ticket supplier announced for IAAF World Indoor Championships Birmingham 2018
- Vetter and Stefanidi crowned European Athletes of the Year
- Rojas, Barshim and Trinidad and Tobago men’s 4x400m relay team named ANOC Area athletes of the year
- Kipchoge and Keitany named AIMS Best Marathon Runners for 2017
- Arese biography launched at star-studded event in Milan
- Job vacancies: Director of platforms and distribution Manager health and science department
**FEATURED NEWS**

**Future of IAAF Diamond League part of the ongoing revolution in athletics**
The General Assembly of the IAAF Diamond League met in London’s Olympic stadium to review the 2017 season and the structure of the sport’s top tier one-day meeting circuit from 2020 and beyond.

**Athletics empowering women to lead in all areas of the sport**
A two-day gender leadership meeting, hosted by the Bahrain Athletics Association for the IAAF, culminated in a unanimous view that actions speak louder than words when it comes to building a diverse and equitable international athletics federation.

**Disciplines announced for 2018 IAAF World Indoor Tour**
The disciplines for an exciting 2018 IAAF World Indoor Tour have been confirmed.

**Trinidad Alfonso Foundation to become title partner of IAAF World Half Marathon Championships Valencia 2018**
Trinidad Alfonso has become the title partner of the IAAF World Half Marathon Championships Valencia 2018 which takes place on Saturday 24 March 2018, organisers announced today.

**FOR THE RECORD**

**ATHLETES SANCTIONED FOR A DOPING OFFENCE**

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

**WORLD RECORDS RATIFIED**

**Women's 10km**
29:43mx Joyciline Jepkosgei (KEN) Prague 9 September 2017
Previous: 30:04mx Joyciline Jepkosgei (KEN) Prague 1 April 2017

**Women's U20 3000m steeplechase**
9:05.70 Celliphine Chespol (KEN) Doha 5 May 2017

**Women's U20 3000m steeplechase**
8:58.78 Celliphine Chespol (KEN) Eugene 26 May 2017
Previous: 9:05.70 Celliphine Chespol (KEN) Doha 5 May 2017

**Women's U20 400m hurdles**
53.82 Sydney McLaughlin (USA) Sacramento 25 Jun 2017
Previous: 54.15 Sydney McLaughlin (USA) Eugene 10 Jul 2016

**OBITUARIES**

- Tanzanian distance runner Ismail Juma
- Former Bahamas Athletics Association President Arlington Butler
- Former UK Athletics media officer Trevor Frecknall
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