Looking forward to the IAF World Athletics Gala

On Friday 21 November 2014, the prestigious annual World Athletics Gala will be hosted in the Le Chapiteau de l'Espace Fontvielle by International Athletics Foundation (IAF) Honorary President HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco and IAF & IAAF President Lamine Diack.

The highlight of the evening will of course be the announcement of the 2014 male and female World Athletes of the Year, with the winners being presented with their trophies live on stage.

The Gala, which will be attended by a glittering array of present and former champions, will also give the global athletics family the opportunity to honour other outstanding achievements within the sport via further awards including the latest induction into the IAAF Hall of Fame.

In the week leading up to the Gala, the IAAF Council will meet for its autumn session during which among many important discussions and decisions, the host city of the 2019 IAAF World Championships will be decided.

November also marks the beginning of the 2014/2015 IAAF Cross Country Permit season, which will kick off on Sunday 16 November in Burgos, Spain.

IAAF Coordination Commission Visits Beijing with 10 Months to Go Until World Championships

The IAAF Coordination Commission for the 2015 IAAF World Championships in Beijing has just concluded a two-day visit to the Chinese capital.

Chaired by IAAF council member Helmut Digel, the delegation included IAAF technical delegate Jose Maria Odriozola, IAAF general secretary Essar Gabriel and other members of IAAF staff as well as representatives of Dentsu and AMS.

Evaluation of candidates for 2019 IAAF World Championships

The IAAF is delighted to confirm that three cities have officially applied to be candidates to host the 2019 IAAF World Championships. Following letters of intent received earlier this year, formal candidate files have been submitted by Qatar (Doha), Spain (Barcelona) and the USA (Eugene).
World Athlete of the Year finalists announced
With little more than a month to go until the 2014 World Athletics Gala, the IAAF has the pleasure in announcing the names of the three men and three women who are still in contention to become the 2014 World Athletes of the Year. READ MORE

Ticket prices for 2015 IAAF World Championships unveiled on 300-day countdown
To mark the 300-day countdown to the IAAF World Championships Beijing 2015, the Local Organising Committee has revealed their ticket pricing. READ MORE

IAAF / Nestlé Kids’ Athletics makes positive impact in Ukraine
Sport always seems to find a way of transcending difficult situations. Earlier this month in Ukraine, the current turmoil in the country was forgotten for a brief moment as the IAAF / Nestlé Kids’ Athletics programme was activated in Lviv. READ MORE

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WORLD RECORDS RATIFIED

MEN, JUNIOR – 1500m
3:28.81 Ronald Kwemoi (95) KEN, Monaco, MON, 18 Jul 14
previous: 3:30.24 Cornelius Chirchir (83) KEN, Monaco, MON, 19 Jul 02

OBITUARIES

• Former high jump world record-holder Dorothy Odam-Tyler
• 1968 Olympic high jump champion Miloslava Rezkova
• 2009 world 800m champion Mbulaeni Mulaudzi

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