Looking forward to the IAAF World Indoor Tour

This year kicks off with the inaugural IAAF World Indoor Tour. Starting in Karlsruhe and then heading to Boston, Stockholm and Glasgow, the series will take place across two weeks in February and contains several innovative features, including a points system and prize money.

The individual overall winner of each event will receive US$20,000 in prize money and, beginning with the 2016 edition in Portland, will automatically qualify for the next edition of the IAAF World Indoor Championships as a “wild card” entry.

One day after the conclusion of the IAAF World Indoor Tour, another annual series gets underway. The IAAF Race Walking Challenge comprises 11 meetings from all six continental areas, starting with the Oceania 20km Race Walk Championships in Adelaide on 21 February and ending at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games in August.

**IAAF HQ HEADLINE NEWS**

![IAAF President Sebastian Coe](image)

**REBUILDING TRUST**

Marking the start of a new year, IAAF President Sebastian Coe has set out his 10-point plan for athletics to restore trust and deliver a vision for attracting more young people.

The plan recognises problems in two distinct areas, in the governing body and in the sport itself, the consequence of which has been a breakdown of trust in athletics. In addressing these problems, the plan importantly identifies the need for separate solutions.

To rebuild confidence, the IAAF must become an accountable, responsible and responsive organisation, while the sport must adopt a values-based culture where future athletes learn from clean athletes, coaches and officials.

“My vision is to have a sport that attracts more young people,” said Coe. “The average age of those watching track and field is 55 years old. This is not sustainable.”

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Photo: IAAF President Sebastian Coe

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- Sebastian Coe asks for athletes with evidence of extortion to come forward
- IAAF Taskforce and Interim Coordination Committee meet in Moscow
- Date set for IAAF Taskforce visit to Russia
- ARAF Reinstatement Conditions and Verification Criteria
- IAAF comments on WADA Independent Commission’s second report
- IAAF statement – WADA’s Independent Commission report
- IAAF response to Ethics Board decision concerning four former officials
- IAAF President Sebastian Coe meets with QAF officials in Doha
- Record participation at Dubai Marathon
- Event disciplines at each meeting – IAAF Diamond League 2016
- Portland set to host North America’s biggest ever IAAF World Indoor Championships
- Amendments to entry standards for Rio 2016 Olympic Games
- IAAF Ethics Commission appoints two new members
FEATURED NEWS

Jean Gracia appointed as Interim IAAF CEO/General Secretary
Jean Gracia has been appointed in the role of Interim IAAF CEO (Chief Executive Officer)/General Secretary.

IAAF Taskforce concludes its first visit to Russia
The IAAF Taskforce concluded its second day of meetings in Moscow with their counterparts from the Interim Coordination Committee (ICC) of the Olympic Committee of Russia.

Rome and Bydgoszcz to host reallocated 2016 IAAF World Athletics Series events
IAAF Council has decided the host cities for two 2016 IAAF World Athletics Series events.

Latest Rio 2016 timetable published
Following approval by the IAAF Council, and acceptance by the International Olympic Committee and the Local Organising Committee, there has been a change to the athletics timetable for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

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
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OBITUARIES

• 1956 Olympic long jump champion Elzbieta Krzesinska
• Italian discus thrower Ljubica Gabric
• British coach Ayo Falola

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