

## Looking forward to the IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015

The **IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015** take place in and around the National Stadium (Bird's Nest) of the Chinese capital from 22-30 August. These will be the 15th edition of the championships. Beijing is the fourth Asian city to host the IAAF World Championships, the world's third-largest sporting event. Tokyo played host in 1991, Osaka in 2007 and Daegu in 2011.

Approximately 2000 athletes representing more than 200 national teams will be competing in Beijing. 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 nine-day audience of 6 billion viewers in more than 200 territories.

The **50th IAAF Congress** will also be hosted in Beijing. Congress begins with an opening ceremony and dinner on the evening of Tuesday 18 August in the Great Hall of People of China. There will be two full-day working sessions (Wed 19 / Thu 20) held in the China National Convention Centre. IAAF Elections take place in congress on the morning of Wednesday 19 August.

On Monday 17 August, there will be an **IAAF Council** meeting held in the Intercontinental Beijing Beichen Hotel. In the same location on Friday 21 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**.

### IAAF HQ HEADLINE NEWS



### BEIJING MARKS 30-DAY COUNTDOWN TO IAAF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

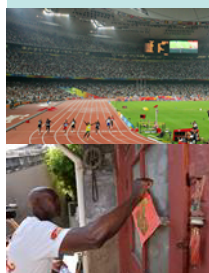
The local organising committee for the IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015 marked the 30-day countdown to the event with a special celebration at the Beijing National Stadium on 22 July. [READ MORE](#)

*Photo: Heike Drechsler at the 30-day countdown ceremony for the IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015*

### OTHER NEWS

- [IAAF outreach programme continues in Cali](#)
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- [Diack: "Cali offers perfect opportunity to raise the awareness of athletics in South America"](#)
- [Cali hosts successful 2nd IAAF World Youth Coaches Conference](#)
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- [Aspire Athletics Conference set for October](#)
- [Dibaba is finally a master of all trades](#)
- [Statistics ebook – IAAF World Youth Championships, Cali 2015](#)

### FEATURED NEWS



#### Majority of tickets sold for IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015

IAAF President Lamine Diack has endorsed a report on the latest promotional and ticket-selling programme of the IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015.

#### Allen Johnson provides timely delivery for ticket holders

IAAF Ambassador Allen Johnson was in Beijing for three days last week helping promote the IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015.

#### EasyJoy becomes new IAAF official supplier

The IAAF is pleased to announce that a contract, negotiated by its marketing partner Dentsu, has been agreed with EasyJoy, the largest Chinese convenience store company, to become an Official IAAF Supplier for the IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015.



## Candidates announced for IAAF Athletes' Commission elections

The IAAF has received 16 nominations for the six available seats on the IAAF Athletes' Commission. All athletes accredited for IAAF World Championships, Beijing 2015 will have the right to vote in the elections, which will take place during the championships between 23 and 29 August in the official team hotels.

## PUBLICATIONS



### South East Asia Athletics Annual

Author: Jad Adrian Washif (ATFS)

Publisher: AdrianSprints.com

Format: Paperback, A5 / 170 pages

Price: USD 20.00 (rest of the world); USD 15 (Southeast Asia); MYR 30 (Malaysia)

**Orders**

## FOR THE RECORD

### ATHLETES SANCTIONED FOR A DOPING OFFENCE

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

### TRANSFERS OF ALLEGIANCE

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### NEW MEMBER FEDERATION OFFICERS – RECENT ELECTIONS / APPOINTMENTS

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## WORLD RECORDS RATIFIED



### MEN

**Distance medley relay:** 9:15.50 United States (Kyle Merber, Brycen Spratling, Brandon Johnson, Ben Blankenship) Nassau, BAH 2 May 15

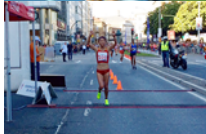
*Previous best:* 9:15.56 Kenya (Elkanah Angwenyi, Thomas Musembi, Alfred Kirwa Yego, Alex Kipchirchir Rono) Philadelphia, USA 29 Apr 06



### WOMEN

**Distance medley relay:** 10:36.50 United States (Treniere Moser, Sanya Richards-Ross, Ajee Wilson, Shannon Rowbury) Nassau, BAH 3 May 15

*Previous best:* 10:42.57i United States (Sarah Brown, Mahogany Jones, Megan Krumpoch, Brenda Martinez) Boston, USA 7 Feb 15



### WOMEN

**20km race walk:** 1:24:38 Hong Liu (CHN) La Coruna, ESP 6 Jun 15

*Previous:* 1:25:02 Elena Lashmanova (RUS) London, GBR 11 Aug 2012

## OBITUARIES

- IAAF athletes' representative **Zane Branson**
- Somali Athletics Federation president **Mohamed Ali Mohamed**

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