

## Thousands join Global Conversation

As the Global Conversation nears its conclusion, several key observations have already started to emerge, thanks to the responses from thousands of people all over the world.

Better quality and more facilities, greater coverage of athletics in the media and on television and more athletics in schools **appear to be the key drivers of growing athletics across the world.**

According to the responses that were submitted up to mid-April, 27% of professional athletes feel that a lack of facilities is the single biggest challenge in growing the sport in their country. 55% of coaches, meanwhile, strongly agree that athletics is the most accessible sport and the best activity to help create a healthier and fitter world.

People identifying primarily as an amateur athlete make up the biggest demographic so far. When asked what would attract more athletics fans to the sport, greater coverage of the sport in the media and on television outside of major championships came out on top. Fans have also expressed a desire to see more coverage in the media with 33% saying the lack of media and television coverage is the biggest challenge to attracting new fans to athletics.

If you haven't done so already, **there is still time to complete the survey.**

Join the conversation and help us to create the future of athletics

COMPLETE THE SURVEY



### World Athletics headline news



#### **Timetable released for World Athletics Championships Oregon22**

The World Athletics Championships Oregon22 timetable has been designed to allow the world's best athletes to showcase the full range of their skills in the newly reimagined Hayward Field at the University of Oregon.

Athletes wishing to contest any of the traditional doubles – the 100m and 200m, 200m and 400m, 800m and 1500m, 1500m and 5000m, 5000m and 10,000m – will be able to do so, without having to contest more than one discipline on any given day. Other possible doubles include the long jump and triple jump, and the 20km and 35km race walks.

### Featured news

#### **Opportunities available for cities to host future World Athletics Series events**



World Athletics is now inviting potential hosts for six World Athletics Series events to register their interest by 1 June.

#### **World Athletics and WIC Belgrade22 sign on to the United Nations Climate Change Sports for Climate Action Framework**



World Athletics and organisers of the World Athletics Indoor Championships Belgrade22 have marked Earth Day 2021 by signing on to the United Nations Climate Change (UNCC) Sports for Climate Action Framework, an initiative supporting and guiding sports organisations to measure, reduce and offset their carbon emissions in line with the Paris Climate Agreement.

The 10-day schedule from 15–24 July 2022 comprises 16 stadium sessions and six road events. Medals will be decided in all evening sessions and a number of morning sessions in the stadium, as well as during all six road events, to enhance the visibility of athletics across all time zones.

The championships will have unprecedented prime time broadcast coverage in the United States under a long-term media rights agreement with NBC Sports.

### [Full story](#)

### [How to follow and watch the World Athletics Relays Silesia21](#)



Relay action is in the spotlight this weekend, 1-2 May, with the World Athletics Relays Silesia21 taking place at Chorzow's Silesian Stadium and you can keep up-to-date with the latest on the World Athletics website.

### [Strong Wanda Diamond League season planned as athletes prepare for major championships](#)



The Wanda Diamond League has announced that the 2021 series will now begin in Gateshead on 23 May following a few minor alterations to the season calendar.

## Other news

- [World Athletics reaches 1M followers on Instagram](#)
- [World Athletics endorses regular health evaluations for athletes on World Health Day](#)
- [World Athletics panel decision on application from Blake Leeper](#)
- [AIU welcomes guilty verdicts against nine Russian athletes based on the evidence underlying the McLaren Reports](#)
- [AIU welcomes CAS decision to ban Christian Coleman for 18 months](#)
- ['Progression of World Athletics Records' ebook published](#)
- [Stawell Gift unveils World Athletics Heritage Plaque](#)
- [Job vacancies: Graphic Designer & Video Editor, and Social Media Editor](#)
- [Job vacancies: eLearning Content Developer and Kids' Athletics Manager](#)
- [World Athletics Vetting Panel member Schimming-Chase appointed High Court Judge of Namibia](#)

## Action replay



[Miller-Uibo smashes stadium record in Eugene as World Athletics Continental Tour Gold gets underway](#)



[Chepngetich smashes world half marathon record in Istanbul](#)

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## FOR THE RECORD

### World record watch (as at 29 April 2021)



#### **Ratified: men's half marathon**

57:32 Kibiwott Kandie (KEN) Valencia 6 December 2020

*Previous: 58:01 Geoffrey Kamworor (KEN) Copenhagen 15 September 2019*



#### **Ratified: women's indoor 1500m**

3:53.09 Gudaf Tsegay (ETH) Lievin 9 February 2021

*Previous: 3:55.17 Genzebe Dibaba (ETH) Karlsruhe 1 February 2014*



#### **Ratified: women's 5km (mixed)**

14:43 Beatrice Chepkoech (KEN) Monaco 14 February 2021

*Previous: 14:48 Caroline Chepkoech Kipkirui (KEN) Prague 8 September 2018*

### **Pending ratification - performances achieved in 2020-2021**

- U20 women's indoor 60m hurdles: 7.93 and 7.91 Grace Stark (USA) College Station 28-29 Feb 20
- women's half marathon (women-only): 1:05:16 Peres Jepchirchir (KEN) Gdynia 17 Oct 20
- men's indoor triple jump: 18.07m Hugues Fabrice Zango (BUR) Aubiere 16 Jan 21
- men's indoor shot put: 22.82m Ryan Crouser (USA) Fayetteville 24 Jan 21
- U20 women's indoor 800m: Keely Hodgkinson (GBR) Vienna 30 Jan 21
- U20 men's indoor heptathlon: 6062 Jente Hauttekeete (BEL) Frankfurt 14 Feb 21
- U20 women's indoor long jump: 6.91m Larissa Iapichino (ITA) Ancona 20 Feb 21
- men's indoor 60m hurdles: 7.29 Grant Holloway (USA) Madrid 24 Feb 21
- U20 women's indoor 60m hurdles: 7.91 Ackera Nugent (JAM) Lubbock 26 Feb 21
- U20 women's indoor 800m: 1:58.40 Athing Mu (USA) Fayetteville 27 Feb 21
- women's 20km race walk: 1:23:49 Yang Jiayu (CHN) Huangshan 20 Mar 21
- women's half marathon: 1:04:02 Ruth Chepngetich (KEN) Istanbul 4 Apr 21
- U20 women's 400m: 49.22 Christine Mboma (NAM) Windhoek 17 Apr 21

### **Rejected / unratifiable**

- U20 women's indoor 400m: 50.52 Athing Mu (USA) College Station 6 Feb 21  
*(No doping control)*
- women's 5km: 14:41 Beth Potter (GBR) Barrowford 3 Apr 21  
*(Insufficient officials and no doping control)*
- U20 women's 400m: 49.24 Christine Mboma (NAM) Lusaka 11 Apr 21  
*(No doping control)*

## Athletes sanctioned for a doping offence

An up-to-date list is available on the [Athletics Integrity Unit website](#).

## New member federation officers – recent elections / appointments

Member federation	President	General secretary
PAR	Gerardo Luis Acosta Perez (elected)	Silvio David Oreggioni Escobar (elected)
BRA	Wlamir Leandro Motta Campos (elected)	Claudio Roberto De Castilho (appointed)
GRE	Sofia Sakorafa (elected)	Athanasios Chaskis (elected)
NIG	Oumarou Alio (elected)	Chahadou Moussa (elected)
EST	Erich Teigamägi (re-elected)	Sirje Lippe (re-elected)
CZE	Libor Varhanik (re-elected)	---
LAT	Arnis Lagzdins (re-elected)	Dmitrijs Milkevics
SRI	Palitha Fernando (re-elected)	Prema D Pinnewale (re-elected)

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