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UIPM 2022 YOUTH WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: SHIN (KOR) AND ALLAM (EGY) ARE U17 WORLD CHAMPIONS



- Individual silvers for Elgindy (EGY) and Peter (HUN)
- Meszaros (HUN) and Trepczyk (POL) claim bronze medals
- U19 men progress to Semi-finals ahead of Super Sunday climax

Sumin Shin of **Korea** and **Marwan Allam** of **Egypt** are the new Under 17 world champions after exceptional performances at the UIPM 2022 Youth World Championships.

Egypt also won a silver medal while **Hungary** enjoyed a silver-bronze double and **Poland** claimed the remaining bronze as the first individual medals of the competition were earned. Thirty-six U17s became the first to compete across three days (Qualification / Semi-finals / Final) according to the new elimination format designed for the Paris 2024 Olympic cycle.

The U17 team medals were also decided, with the prolific Egypt team enjoying a golden double. Hungary won silver in the women's competition ahead of bronze medallists **Germany**, while **France** won men's team silver with host nation **Italy** picking up bronze for their first medal of the week.

More than 260 athletes from 35 nations are competing in the combined championships and the U17 individual titles follow U19 relay titles won by **Lithuania**, Egypt and **Mexico**.

The line-up of 72 athletes for the U19 Women's and Men's Semi-finals has now been decided after today's Men's Qualification. Both individual finals will take place on Super Sunday (September 11).



U17 Women's Final

Ganah Elgindy (EGY) advanced an extraordinary 16 places in the Laser Run, after a modest swim, with the day's best time of 9min 12.80sec. Still it wasn't enough to defeat Shin (KOR), who finally prevailed by 5sec with a 9:20 Laser Run.

Behind her, there was a thrilling sprint for the medals and **Emma Meszaros** (HUN) claimed a hard-earned bronze narrowly ahead of team-mates **Sarah Mohamed** and **Farida Khalil** (EGY). Sixth place went to **Zora Zeman** (HUN).

Earlier, the winner of Swimming was **Ritage Ramadan** (EGY) in a time of 2:20,64.

Gold medallist Shin (KOR) said: "I am happy to win this competition. My running was good today, I was excited during the Laser Run. Now I hope to perform well in the U19 competition [in the Semi-finals on Friday]."

Silver medallist Elgindy (EGY) said: "I felt so happy to win my first Youth World Championships medal. My running was the best today and I was thinking what I needed to do in shooting to get

the medal, and thank God I shot well and ran well and I got the silver medal.

“Next year I will be in U17 again and after that, U19. My dream is a medal in the Olympics.”



U17 Men's Final

A slender margin of 3sec separated the three individual medallists after an epic race. In the end, new world champion Allam (EGY) was just too good as he held off the challenge of **Adam Peter** (HUN) and **Krystian Trepczyk** (POL).

By a tiny fraction Peter (HUN) had the best Laser Run time (8:39.90), with Allam (EGY) recording 8:40.00 and Mathis Idelarge (FRA) claiming 4th after an excellent 8:41.80. The top six was completed by **Romulo Vasconcelos** of **Brazil** and **Karl Furderer** (FRA).

Gold medallist Allam (EGY) said: “I’m so, so happy in this moment. I tried for this for four years and thank God, I was so tired from the Swimming but I slept after that.

“After the second 600m lap I was leading and I knew the gold medal was in reach. My dream is the Olympics in 2028, and I am inspired by Ahmed Elgendy and Joseph Choong.”

Silver medallist Peter (HUN) said: “I can’t put into words how I feel, but I’m very happy. Especially in the last 100m I had to work very hard, but my shooting was excellent and I’m proud of that.

“Next year I will be able to race in U17 again and I will try to repeat this performance. I’d say my favourite discipline is shooting.”



U19 Men's Semi-finals

Seventy-six athletes took part in two qualification rounds to determine which 36 would progress to the Men's Under 19 Semi-finals.

The first heat was won in convincing style by **Jeongwook Son** (KOR) with 1172 points, as he finished 18sec clear of **Matteo Bovenzi** (ITA) and 27sec ahead of **Etienne Clergeau** (FRA).

In the second heat, there was yet another success for Asia's strongest Modern Pentathlon nation as **Minjong Yun** (KOR) finished first, 3sec ahead of **Ugnius Kabelinskas** of **Lithuania** and 6sec ahead of **Moutaz Mohamed** (EGY).

Rank	Name	Nation	MP Points
1	SON Jeongwook	KOR	1172
2	BOVENZI Matteo	ITA	1154
3	CLERGEAU Etienne	FRA	1145
4	GAUDIESIUS Lukas	LTU	1142
5	YUN Minjong	KOR	1142
6	SHIN Chanwoo	KOR	1141
7	MOHAMED Mohamed	EGY	1141
8	LAVILLAT Diego	FRA	1141
9	ABOUAMER Moustafa	EGY	1141
10	SYCH Danylo	UKR	1140
11	KABELINSKAS Ugnius	LTU	1139
12	HERNANDEZ Jorge	MEX	1138
13	NOSEK Jan	CZE	1137
14	MOHAMED Moutaz	EGY	1136
15	RIEGER Miklos	GER	1136
16	SKIBIAK Hubert	POL	1135
17	SCHULZ Quinn	CAN	1135

18	POPOV Roman	UKR	1135
19	MILUCH Pawel	POL	1134
20	SHABAN Mazen	EGY	1134
21	SECHIDIS Filippas	GRE	1134
22	DUPUY LERICHE Nathan	FRA	1134
23	JASIULEVICIUS Dzastin	LTU	1133
24	CHMIELIAUSKAS Nojus	LTU	1133
25	TOMITA Yousuke	JPN	1133
26	JABLONSKI Michal	POL	1132
27	CORREIA ACIOLY Joao Victor	BRA	1130
28	KANG Dohoon	KOR	1129
29	DRAZINOS Dimitrios	GRE	1127
30	MEDEIROS Nicholas	BRA	1125
31	GILIOLO Edoardo	ITA	1125
32	VARBANOV Aleksandar	BUL	1124
33	TASYARAN Kivanc	TUR	1123
34	NEGRETE Mateo Andres	MEX	1123
35	SCHOEN Florent	FRA	1123
36	LIBERAL IVAN	ESP	1120

President's reaction

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "Today we saw unbelievable excitement in the Under 17 Finals for both women and men, and we learned again that the shooting is very important and is deciding who wins in the end.

"Based on the conditions today with thunderstorms and rainfall, we were very lucky in between to be able to run both Laser Run competitions. When we see the faces of these athletes, they really like it, they love it, and it was great to see others who were not in the Final supporting their fellow athletes as spectators.

"It was so important today that Italy won a medal in the team competition. It's so important for the organising federation to be on the podium, everybody was happy to see it, and I have great respect and admiration for everybody who has been involved in the preparation of the UIPM 2022 Youth World Championships."



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The UIPM 2022 Youth World Championships runs from September 4-11, continuing on Friday, September 9 with the U17 Women's Relay and U19 Women's Semi-finals.

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Competition schedule

UIPM 2022 Youth World Championships (U19/U17)

September 4: (U19) Men's Relay; (U17) Women's Qualification

September 5: (U19) Women's Relay; (U17) Men's Qualification

September 6: (U19) Mixed Relay; (U17) Women's Semi-finals

September 7: (U19) Women's Qualification; (U17) Men's Semi-finals

September 8: (U19) Men's Qualification; (U17) Women's Final, Men's Final

September 9: (U19) Women's Semi-finals; (U17) Women's Relay

September 10: (U19) Men's Semi-finals; (U17) Men's Relay

September 11: (U19) Women's Final; Men's Final; (U17) Mixed Relay