

# UNION INTERNATIONALE DE PENTATHLON MODERNE - UIPM



**To :** All National Federations  
UIPM Executive Board  
UIPM Committee Members  
UIPM Auditors  
UIPM Honorary Members

Monaco, 21 April 2008

## CALLING NOTICE

2008 UIPM CONGRESS  
La Antigua, Guatemala  
21-23 November

**Patron :**  
His Majesty  
King Constantine

**Honorary President :**  
His Serene Highness  
Prince Albert II of Monaco

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Dear UIPM Member,

In accordance with Article 14 of the UIPM Statutes, we have the pleasure of sending you the formal Calling Notice for the 2008 UIPM Congress, which will be held in La Antigua, Guatemala from 20 to 23 November 2008.

### Congress Schedule:

Thursday 20 November	Arrival of Delegations
Friday 21 November	14:00 – 18:00 1st Session of General Assembly Welcome Dinner
Saturday 22 November	09:00 – 12:00 2nd Session of General Assembly 14:00 – 18:00 3rd Session of General Assembly
Sunday 23 November	09:00 – 12:00 4th Session of General Assembly (if needed)
Monday 24 November	Excursions & departures

### Agenda

The provisional agenda for the General Assembly is as follows:

- a) Roll-call of the Members
- b) Election of three tellers of votes and two scrutineers
- c) Adoption of the agenda
- d) Approval of the minutes of the last meeting
- e) Report of the President on the activities of the Executive Board
- f) Report of the Treasurer
- g) Report of representatives of other UIPM bodies
- h) Report of the Honorary Auditors
- i) Decision concerning the annual membership fee
- j) Adoption of the budget plan and approval of the budget

- k) Decisions concerning Continental Confederations
- l) Decisions on motions submitted
- m) Elections
- n) Election of Honorary Members
- o) Any other business

### **Participation**

According to Rule 6.4 of the UIPM Rules on the Internal Organisation (hereafter “RIO”), “The active Members must notify the Secretary General of the UIPM regarding their participation in the General Assembly at least 60 days before the beginning of an ordinary meeting of the General Assembly” – **19 September 2008 at the latest.**

### **Motions**

In accordance with Rule 6.5 of RIO, “Regular motions by Members must be submitted in writing and accompanied by all the arguments for their justification not later than 60 days before an ordinary meeting of the General Assembly ... to the UIPM Secretariat” – **19 September 2008 at the latest.**

Pursuant to Rule 6.5 of the RIO, “Motions can be proposed by **active** Members.” Rule 10.1 states, “In the General Assembly each active Member in good standing (dues paid) has one vote.” Thus, only those Members who have paid their annual membership fee for 2008 may propose motions and vote during the General Assembly.

“The UIPM Secretariat will distribute all motions received, together with the final agenda to the participants of the General Assembly at least 30 days prior to the ordinary meeting”.

### **Elections**

This year, elections will be held to determine the Executive Board, committees and commissions for the coming four year Olympic cycle. The following are the key provisions of the Statutes and RIO, that govern the election process. Only active members may vote in the General Assembly and elections. The General Assembly is composed of active members (member National Federations with dues paid) represented by no more than two delegates who cast one vote on behalf of their NF, one voting representative of the Athletes’ Committee, one non-voting member of the Masters’ Committee, the non-voting members of the Executive Board, the non-voting chairperson of the Medical Committee, non-voting Honorary Members, and non-voting Honorary Auditors.

Women have a vital role to play in our sport and its administration. The UIPM supports and encourages the involvement of women in its governing bodies. Furthermore, for nominations for the Technical Committee, it is preferable to receive candidatures of persons without conflict of interest (e.g. coaches) and who are available throughout the competition season to take on the heavy workload being a member of the Technical Committee entails. Of course, they must also hold a valid UIPM International Judges License for the 5 events.

All officials are elected for a period of four years, beginning 30 days after the day of election. Candidatures may be submitted without any restrictions, but must be submitted only by the candidates’ National Federation, with the exception of the Athletes’ and Masters’ Committees. Candidates must be citizens of the State represented by the respective National Federation. In case of dual citizenship, the National Federation of the State which has an effective genuine link to the respective candidate is entitled to present the candidature. It is also recommended that candidates speak the UIPM official working language, which is English.

There shall be no more than one member elected by the General Assembly from one nation in the Executive Board or in a UIPM Committee. No person can have more than one function on the Executive Board. There shall be no more than three persons elected by the General Assembly from one nation together in the UIPM bodies. The members of the Medical Committee and the Honorary Auditors are not counted in the total.

Nominations of candidates must be signed by the President or Secretary General of the respective National Federation. Candidatures must be presented to the Secretary General at least 60 days before an ordinary meeting of the General Assembly – by **19 September 2008**. Proposed candidates must agree to their candidacy verbally, on the phone or in writing. The personal presence of the candidate at the election is desirable, but not mandatory.

At the beginning of the elections, an election committee must be elected, consisting of a chairperson and two more members of different nationality. The election committee has the task of conducting the elections.

### **Quorum**

For the quorum at elections by the General Assembly, Article 16 of the Statutes governs. “In order to allow varied debate, the General Assembly shall be composed of at least half of the active members of the Association. If this condition is not met, another General Assembly shall be convened immediately by the President and the resolutions shall be valid regardless of the number of members present; however, these resolutions may concern only the objects on the agenda of the first Assembly.”

All elections are conducted in a secret poll using ballots.

### **Offices to be elected**

At the General Assembly, elections shall be made in the following sequence:

- a) President
- b) four Vice-Presidents
- c) Treasurer
- d) Member for Sport
- e) Member for Marketing
- f) Member for Media
- g) Member for Development
- h) 2 Honorary Auditors
- i) 10 members of the Technical Committee
- j) 4 members of the Medical Committee
- k) 2 members of the Finance Commission
- l) 2 members of the Marketing Commission
- m) 2 members of the Media and Information Commission

### **Election results**

If only one candidate is nominated for a function, the candidate is elected when gaining the absolute majority of the votes cast. If this is not the case, another candidate must be found.

If there is more than one candidate for a function to be elected, the candidates shall be elected that are able to gain the majority of the votes in the first ballot, thereby reaching the absolute majority of the votes cast. If no candidate is able to gain the absolute majority of the votes cast in the first ballot, another ballot must be held where the candidate is elected that has gained the majority of the votes cast.

Elections can be made separately for each function or for an entire body. If there are only as many candidates as persons required for a body, the body concerned may be elected in one poll. The body is considered elected if it gains the absolute majority of the votes cast. If this is not the case, separate elections must be held for each function.

If there are more candidates than positions required for a body to be elected, those candidates shall be elected who are able to gain the majority of the votes in the first ballot, thereby reaching the absolute majority of the votes cast. If a second ballot has to be made for one or more functions in a body and there are still more than two candidates, the candidate with the least votes shall be eliminated. The remaining candidates go for the next ballot. The procedure will be continued until a person has gained a simple majority of votes cast for the function that still needs to be voted on. In the event of a tie Art 9 of the Statutes of the UIPM will be applied. The most senior member shall be elected, and in the event of members having equal seniority, the oldest member shall be elected.

The candidature nomination form for all available offices is enclosed. **Please return your signed nomination forms to the UIPM Headquarters by 19 September 2008** either by email to [uipm@pentathlon.org](mailto:uipm@pentathlon.org) or by fax to +377 9777 8550.

I look forward to seeing you in La Antigua.

With my kindest personal regards,  
Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Klaus Schormann', written in a cursive style.

Klaus Schormann  
President

**UIPM Candidature Nomination Form  
for Election in 2008 Congress, La Antigua, Guatemala**

Please fill in the names of the persons your National Federation nominates for the following positions:

<b>Office</b>	<b>Nominated person</b>	<b>Signature of nominated person</b>
UIPM President		
Vice-President		
Treasurer		
Member for Sport		
Member for Marketing		
Member for Media		
Member for Development		
Honorary Auditor		
Technical Committee		
Medical Committee		
Finance Commission		
Marketing Commission		
Media and Information Commission		

**Remember**, each National Federation can nominate one person for each office, committee and commission. However, there shall be no more than one member elected by the General Assembly from one nation on the Executive Board or on a UIPM Committee. No person can have more than one function on the Executive Board. There shall be no more than three persons elected by the General Assembly from one nation together in the UIPM bodies. The members of the Medical Committee and the Honorary Auditors are not counted in the total.

Date: .....

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National Federation  
President or Secretary General

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Name of National Federation

**Deadline: All nominations must be received by UIPM headquarters by 19 September 2008.**