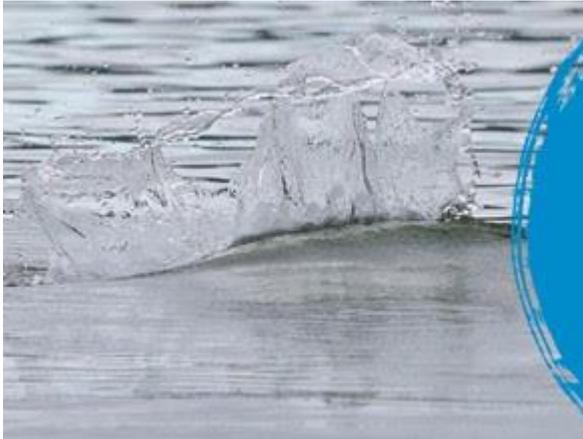




MEDIA RELEASE

MEDIA ADVISORY: 2019 WORLD ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS, LINZ-OTTENSHEIM (AUT)



Lausanne, 18 August 2019

The World Rowing Federation, FISA, wishes to advise international media about the information available for the 2019 World Rowing Championships in Linz-Ottensheim, Austria.

This is the most important event of the 2019 season, not only as the event that will crown the 2019 World Champions, but also because it combines to be the main qualification regatta for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic & Paralympic Games. It takes place from 25 August to 1 September 2019.

The media guide is now available [here](#). It includes a Who to Watch for all boat classes, media information, a review of the season so far, many useful statistics from all major regattas and the current World Best Times.

The World Rowing website, www.worldrowing.com will be the main channel containing:

- Live video streaming of all races
- Entries, results, and related files
- Race reports
- Live race tracker
- Audio commentary
- Photos
- Live blog

Live video coverage will be available on the World Rowing website for the entire eight days of the regatta starting at 09:30 CET on 25 August 2019.

The racing draw will take place at 15:00 CET on Saturday 24 August and will be live streamed on World Rowing's Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/WorldRowing

Photos will be available through: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/worldrowingofficial>

World Rowing also posts information on its social media channels. The official hashtag for the event is #WRChamps or #LinzOttensheim. The official Twitter account of World Rowing is @WorldRowing. Instagram is @WorldRowingOfficial and Facebook is WorldRowing. World Rowing will provide updates, video, photos and short commentary via Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. Athletes and fans are encouraged to tweet messages of support using the official hashtag.

The official Facebook page is www.Facebook.com/WorldRowing.

There will also be updates on our You Tube channel: www.youtube.com/WorldRowingFISA

For media accreditation queries: <mailto:media@fisa.org?subject=Media%20Accreditation%20Query>

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MEDIA RELEASE

MEDIA ADVISORY 2019 WORLD ROWING CUP III, ROTTERDAM MEDIA INFORMATION



Lausanne, 5 July 2019

The World Rowing Federation, FISA, welcomes media to 2019 World Rowing Cup III in Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

This is the third and final World Rowing Cup of the 2019 season and it takes place 12-14 July 2019. There are entries from 42 nations with over 700 athletes taking part. This regatta also includes para-rowing boat classes and the Holland Beker regatta.

World Rowing supplies information to media with the media guide available [here](#). This guide includes a Who to Watch for all boat classes, media information, a review of the 2019 season so far, many useful statistics from all major regattas and the current World Best Times and World Cup Best Times.

The World Rowing website, www.worldrowing.com will be the main channel containing:

Entries and results - Race reports - Live race tracker for all races - Audio commentary

Photos - Live blog - Medals table

Live video coverage will be available on the World Rowing website for Saturday 13 July semifinals and A-finals and all A-finals on Sunday 14 June.

The racing draw for the heats will take place at 15:00 CET on Thursday 11 July and will be live streamed on World Rowing's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/WorldRowing

A selection of photos will be available for free through: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/worldrowingofficial>

World Rowing also posts information on its social media channels. The official hashtag for the event is #WRCRotterdam or #Rotterdam2019. The official Twitter account of World Rowing is @WorldRowing. Instagram is @WorldRowingOfficial and Facebook is WorldRowing.

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For media queries: media@fisa.org

2019 World Rowing Cup series:

World Rowing Cup I 10-12 May, Plovdiv, Bulgaria

World Rowing Cup II 21-23 June, Poznan, Poland

World Rowing Cup III 12-14 July, Rotterdam, Netherlands

MEDIA RELEASE 1 MAY 2019

WORLD ROWING'S 2019 SEASON OPENS IN PLOVDIV



For immediate release Lausanne, 1 May 2019

A taste of what 2019 has in store for World Rowing will be revealed when World Rowing Cup I takes place in Plovdiv, Bulgaria.

This first international regatta for 2019 goes from 10-12 May with 12 May featuring 16 finals. The regatta has seen entries come in from 24 countries with over 300 athletes competing. A large contingent from China, Romania and Poland will be competing. Both China and Romania are sending 24 crews with Poland sending 15.

The men's single sculls sees the return of Croatia's Damir Martin to international rowing. Martin, who took silver at the Rio Olympics, had his 2018 season cut short due to injury. Also from Croatia is the men's pair of Martin and Valent Sinkovic. The Sinkovic brothers raced at the Rio Olympics in the men's double sculls, winning gold. They have switched to the pair for this Olympiad, won it at last year's World Rowing Championships and will be up against Marius-Vasile Cozmiuc and Ciprian Tudosa of Romania in this first race of season. Cozmiuc and Tudosa are the 2018 world silver medallists.

The unstoppable Ekaterina Karsten of Belarus, winner of gold at the Atlanta and Sydney Olympic Games, goes into her 29th international season. Karsten is back in the women's single sculls as she works towards her seventh Olympic Games. Also making a return to the single is 2012 Olympic Champion Mirka Knapkova of the Czech Republic. This match-up will be one to watch.

The United States looks to be doing a women's pair selection with four boats entered. The top crew is likely to be World Champion from the women's eight Tracy Eisser and three-time Olympian Megan Kalmoe.

Racing begins on Friday 10 May 2019 EEST and will continue through to semifinals with finals commencing at 10:35am Sunday 12 May. All races will be live streamed on www.worldrowing.com

Regatta information and entries can be found [here](#).

The World Rowing media guide will be online (from 3/5/19) [here](#).

The World Rowing Cup series was launched in 1997 and consists of a series of three events. The overall World Rowing Cup winners are determined after the third event. This year, the three stages of the series are Plovdiv, BUL (10-12 May), Poznan, POL (21-23 June), Rotterdam, NED (12-14 July).

News reviews

Over 6000 people dared to indoor row 1000m



The final scores have been tallied and participation has reached an all-time high for the 2019 World Rowing Virtual Indoor Sprints. More than 6000 athletes from 73 countries took part from 6-10 March, 2019. Here are a few of the highlights.



Bond crosses the road and comes back to rowing

World and Olympic Champion rower Hamish Bond of New Zealand has announced that he is returning to rowing and had declared that he wants to be part of the New Zealand men's eight with his sights set on the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.



Rowing umpires and organisers highlighted for International Women's Day

World Rowing put the call out for images showing women umpires and organisers. The call was answered with hundreds of photos demonstrating the people – often working behind the scenes – at rowing events throughout the world.



Nailing down the split – why rowers measure speed in 500m splits

In today's big data world, it's easy to take something like how fast a rower is moving for granted. Digital displays and in-boat electronics makes it easy for rowers and coaches to view the complex calculus of boat speed at the touch of a button.



What happened to... Pertti Karppinen

What do you do after a life of rowing achievements? World Rowing tracked down Finland's great Pertti Karppinen to discover the answer.

Athletes



Rising Star

Samuel MEIJER

GBR



Athlete of the month

Matthieu ANDRODIAS

FRA

Videos



2021 World Rowing Championships Logo Launch



Eating like a rower

Events

2019 World Erg Challenge

15 Mar - 15 Apr 2019 / Any Concept2 Indoor Rower

2019 World Rowing Tour New Zealand

9 - 16 Apr 2019 / South Island

MEDIA RELEASE – 1 MARCH 2019

WORLD ROWING INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS GOES TO PARIS



For immediate release - Lausanne, 1 March 2019

The 2020 World Rowing Indoor Championships is heading to Europe. Paris will host the competition over the weekend of 7-8 February 2020.

The Paris attribution was announced during the 2019 World Rowing Indoor Championships which was held last weekend in Long Beach, California. At the end of the championships a formal 'handing over' of the World Rowing Federation, FISA, flag took place with French Rowing Federation President Jean-Jacques Mulot accepting the flag from FISA President Jean-Christophe Rolland.

The 2020 World Rowing Indoor Championships will take place over two days as they will run at the same time as the French Indoor Rowing Championships.

This will be the third year of the World Rowing Indoor Championships which first took place as such in 2018 in Alexandria, USA.

The championships are staged in partnership with Concept2, manufacturers of the indoor rowing machines utilised at this event.

"We held the first two championships in the United States in full cooperation with Concept2. Concept2 not only supply the hardware and technology for such an event, they also support participation of international rowers and also actually help run it," say Rolland. "Now it is the moment to move the event outside of the United States. Paris and the French Rowing Federation proved to be fully ready to host the championships and we

have already seen a huge amount of interest generated since we first made the announcement. We know that Paris is the right choice.”

"After the success of Long Beach, we're already looking forward to Paris," says Peter Dreissigacker, Founder, Concept2. "The French Rowing Federation has always put on a great indoor rowing event and with the support of World Rowing we're sure they can continue to move the event forward. Taking the race over to Europe will help showcase what an international sport this is."

The French Rowing Federation in their media release announcing the event: “The French Rowing Federation is delighted to be able to organise this competition and welcome athletes from all over the world.”

The World Rowing Indoor Championship racing will take place in open and lightweight categories as well as junior, under-23, para and masters categories.

Indoor rowing continues to grow as a rowing discipline in its own right as it has become more than another training tool for on-water rowers. Indoor rowing machines can now be found in fitness gyms, CrossFit facilities, rehabilitation clinics, schools, universities and urban sports settings all around the world.

News reviews



Power and speed at 2019 World Rowing Indoor Championships



Do you dare? 2019 World Rowing Virtual Indoor Sprints Wherever you are in the world, if you have access to an indoor rowing machine, we dare you to join us for a 1000m sprint.



Sampling the Kafue River - a clean water step

The clean water partnership between World Rowing and WWF, which includes the Kafue River & Rowing Centre, is multifaceted.



FISA Council Meeting Decisions - 9 to 11 February 2019

FISA Council Meeting Decisions

9 to 11 February 2019

Lausanne, Switzerland



Lucy's story. Forgetting how to row.

Imagine being out on the water; you are rowing beautifully – effortlessly. The water gleams beneath your perfectly timed strokes, you are flying; gliding up the slide, on autopilot. You've been doing it for years.

Athletes



Rising Star

Trevor JONES

CAN



Athlete of the month

Ionela-Livia COZMIUC

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Videos



2019 World Rowing Indoor Championships - Long Beach, Los Angeles, USA



Coastal Rowing

Events

2019 BRUGGE BOAT RACE

2 - 3 Mar 2019 / Brugge

2019 World Rowing Virtual Indoor Sprints

6 - 10 Mar 2019 / Any Concept2 Indoor Rower

World Rowing celebrates 2019 International Women's Day

This year on 8 March, World Rowing is celebrating the women and teams who work behind the scenes around the world to continuously improve the standard of rowing regatta organisation. As a sign of appreciation to rowing officials, we are thrilled to bring you the 2019 International Women's Day Campaign; putting Women **Umpires and Organising Committees on the spotlight.**



Women umpires and officials on the spotlight

What are you planning for International Women's Day – why not join us and show the world all about the collaborative spirit of our sport?

Send us your favourite photo of **women umpires, officials and organising committee members** in action showcasing:

- women helping to provide excellent and safe events
- women interaction with athletes and coaches and with each other
- women and men working together doing amazing work behind the scenes.

Submit your photos by the 4 March via media@fisa.org

Promote your images through social media using the hashtags

#womenumpires

#womenofficials

Let's celebrate and jointly put together an engaging photo montage!

We will have a draw for a World Rowing sweatshirt for top photos from each continent.

Thank you for engaging and being part of the Rowing family!



MEDIA RELEASE

POWER AND SPEED AT 2019 WORLD ROWING INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS



*For immediate release
Long Beach, 25 February 2019*

In its second year the 2019 World Rowing Indoor Championships in Long Beach, CA, USA saw over 700 indoor rowers go after the world championship titles.

Leading the way was the fastest woman in the world on the indoor rower, Olena Buryak of Ukraine. Buryak holds the world record for women over the 2000m distance and she added another accolade to her name by winning, for the second time, the open women's title. Buryak's time of 6:25 also saw her break her own record in the 30-39-year-old age group. Brooke Mooney of the United States was second with Tracy Eisser, also of the US, in third.

In the open men's category Oliver Zeidler of Germany took the world championship title. Zeidler is the 2017 World Games winner and also rows on-the-water for the German national team. Behind Zeidler was Arne Landboe taking the silver and Alexander Richards the bronze medallist. Both Landboe and Richards are part of the United States national rowing team with Landboe an under-23 gold medallist from 2018.

Both the men's and women's open categories had a huge showing from the United States national rowing team. This included World Champion coxswain, Katelin Guregian racing in the lightweight category.

A very tight race in the under-23 men's category between Belgium's Ward Lemmelijn and Charles Alexander of Canada saw the race go neck-and-neck through to the finish with Lemmelijn finishing less than a second ahead of Alexander. Lemmelijn won the European Indoor Championships last month and his world championship time gave him the Belgian indoor record. Local Long Beach rower, Cole Guild was third.

The lightweight men's open category was won by Germany's Jason Osborne. Osborne is the reigning World Champion in the lightweight men's single sculls and he held off Martino Goretti of Italy to add another title to his sporting career. Goretti finished three seconds down to take the silver medal with Alex Twist of the United States in third.

Mexico had the largest team at the Championships and they garnered success in the under-23 lightweight men's category with a first and second place win. Alexis Lopez became the world champion and Adolfo Peralta finished just a second back in the silver medal spot.

Two World Records were set in the masters age groups. Olaf Ellefsen of Norway Set a new record in the 75-79-year-old age group and Luanne Mills of the United States broke the 80-84-year-old women's category. Both Mills and Ellefsen have many years of indoor rowing racing experience.

The 2019 World Rowing Indoor Championships combined with the inaugural US Rowing Indoor National Championships and also the Long Beach Rowing Association Beach Sprints. The competition was organised in partnership with Concept2 indoor rowing machines.

Paris, France was announced as the host city for the 2020 World Rowing Indoor Championships, bringing the event to Europe for the first time.

For more information and full results: <http://www.worldrowing.com/events/2019-world-rowing-indoor-championships/event-information>

News reviews



Zeidler prepares for indoor rowing championships

Winning the indoor rowing at the 2017 World Games, just six months after taking on the sport of rowing is only the first of many of Oliver Zeidler's feats.

Think again about the symmetry of rowing

We naturally think of rowing in terms of perfect synchronization, blades entering the water timed to the millisecond, with perfect symmetry of oars and limbs. It is a powerful image, a trope so ingrained in the popular conception of the sport as to become almost cliché. Yet even when it comes to what seems like the most symmetrical type of rowing – single sculling – it may be time to think again.





The avatar 'how to' video for rowing coaches

One of the biggest challenges in World Rowing's recent video project to create the first-ever animated avatar rowing video was unexpected; What happens when you coach an avatar?



Hippos, indoor rowing and more help feed Kafue project

Fundraising for World Rowing's Clean Water initiative, the Kafue River & Rowing Centre in Zambia received a boost over the holidays.



Nielsen breaks Danish record at European Rowing Indoor Championships

Sverri Nielsen set a new Danish record and claimed gold in the men's 2000m event at the 2019 European Rowing Indoor Championships in Copenhagen, Denmark. Nielsen finished in an impressive 5:47.2, besting his own record by 0.7 seconds.

Athletes



Rising Star

Clara GUERRA

ITA



Athlete of the month

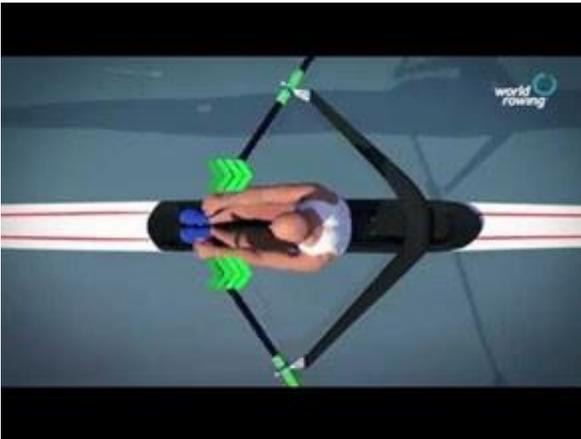
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Videos



The mental strength of a rower



Essential Sculling Technique

Events

2019 Tunis Lake International Sprint Regatta

10 - 10 Feb 2019 / Tunis

2019 World Rowing Indoor Championships

24 - 24 Feb 2019 / Long Beach