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The Qatar Olympic Committee has relentlessly remained on the right track in ensuring that Qatar continues to record great achievements in global sports and lifting the country's status high among the comity of nations in line with the significant support given by H.H the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani to the country's sports movement.

Most notably, the last Olympics witnessed the laudable Qatari sports achievements as our athletes made history at the 32nd edition of the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympic Games.

Qatar's Mutaz Barshim and Faris Ibrahim won the gold medals while Team Qatar's beach volleyball duo, Cherif Younousse and Ahmed Tijan, won the bronze medal, the first-ever Arab medal in a group sport. Abdulrahman Abdulqader also won the bronze medal in shot put at the Paralympic Games.

Qatar won the bid to host the 2030 Asian Games – an event it will be hosting for the second time after it hosted the 15th Asian Games in Doha in 2006, a memorable edition and a milestone in the history of Games which attained unparalleled success in terms of organization of major sports events.

Our calendar is busy with a lot of incoming major sports events in this Olympic term 2021-2024. So, we will do our best in taking our achievements to new levels of excellence.

We will keep putting strategies in place to help the national teams get ready for Doha 2030 Asian Games. We are working hard to help our athletes get the best results in upcoming events and competitions as much as possible.

Qatar as a global sports destination is maintaining its constant efforts to host a number of major sports events, including FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022, the first-ever edition to be held in the Middle East, the 2023 World Judo Championships, 2023 FINA World Championships, as well as a lot of other local, GCC, Asian and international sports events.

#### Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani

President Qatar Olympic Committee

### Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad re-elected as QOC President

H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani was unanimously re-elected as President of the Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) for a new Olympic term 2021- 2024 and H.E. Jassim bin Rashid Al-Buenain was elected as the Secretary-General during the General Assembly meeting held last December.

The voting process took place under the leadership of H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani. H.E. Mohamed Yousef Al Mana was elected First QOC Vice President, H.E. Dr. Thani bin Abdulrahman Al-Kuwari - Second QOC Vice President, H.E. Jassim bin Rashid Al-Buenain - QOC Secretary General, and Mr. Nasser Bin Saleh Al Attiyah as Chair of QOC's Athletes Commission. In attendance at the event were presidents of Qatari sports federations and Committees.

During the meeting, H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani thanked the sports federations, and acknowledged the achievements of Team Qatar athletes at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics, where they won two gold medals and one bronze medal, and a bronze medal in the Paralympic Games. H.E Sheikh Joaan also urged the federations to make more efforts in preparing for the upcoming competitions of the Qatari teams.

The meeting began with the approval of the minutes of the previous General Assembly meeting held in February 2020. They thereafter discussed the QOC strategy in preparing the national teams for 2030 Asian Games.

The General Assembly highlighted the QOC achievements in 2020 and 2021 and the successful participation in 2020 Olympics and Paralympic Games where Qatar claimed two gold medals and 2 bronze medals in addition to winning the hosting rights of the 2030 Asian games.

The meeting also discussed the QOC budget for the GCC Games in Kuwait, 2022 Asian Games in China and a number of topics tabled on the agenda.



#### The new heads of the sports federations are as follows:

• Mr. Hassan Nasser Al Naimi President of the Qatar Golf Association

• Mr. Ahmed Mohamed Al Sheabi

• Mr. Khaleel Ibrahim Al Jabir

Association

Association

President of the Qatar Handball

President of the Qatar Swimming



• Mr. Khalil Ahmed Al Mohannadi President of the Qatar Table Tennis Association

• Mr. Badr Muhammad Al Darwish

Modern Pentathlon Federation

President of the Qatar Equestrian and



• Mr. Nasser bin Ghanim Al Khelaifi President of the Qatar Tennis, Squash and Badminton Federation



Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Thani



President of the Qatar Football Association



 Mr. Mohamed Essa Al Fadalah President of the Qatar Athletics Federation



Mr. Mohammed Saad Al-Mughaisib President of the Oatar Basketball Federation



• Mr. Ali Ghanim Al Kuwari President of the Qatar Volleyball Association



 Ms. Lolwa Hussein Al Marri President of the Qatar Women's Sports Committee



• Mr. Khalid bin Hamad Al Attiyah President of the Qatar Taekwondo, Judo and Karate Federation



• Mr. Rashid Majed Al Sulaiti President of the Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation

 Sheikh Khalifa bin Khalid Al Thani President of the Qatar School Sports



Sheikh Abdulrahman bin Saoud Al

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President of the Qatar Paralympic



• Mr. Ali Ahmed Al Hitmi President of the Qatar Gymnastics Federation



Mr. Mohamed Yousef Al Mana President of the Qatar Weightlifting



• Mr. Abdullah Ali Al-Ghanim Al Maadeed President of the Qatar Fencing



• Dr. Mohamed Jeham Al Kuwari President the Qatar Cycling and Triathlon Federation



 Mr. Yousef Ali Al Kazim President of the Qatar Boxing and Wrestling Federation



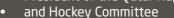
Mr. Meshaal Ibrahim Al Nasr President of the Qatar Shooting and **Archery Association** 



• Mr. Rashid Majed Al Sulaiti President of the Qatar Winter Sports Committee



• Mr. Yousef Jeham Al Kuwari President of the Qatar Rugby





• Sheikh Abdulaziz bin Saud Al Thani President of the Qatar Cricket Committee



• Dr. Ibrahim Saleh Al Naimi President of the Qatar University **Sports Association** 



 Sheikh Abdullah bin Faleh Al Thani President of Qatar Electronic Sports Association



• Mr. Nasser Saleh Al Attiyah President of the Qatar Athletes Commission



At the end of the meeting, H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani honored the several sports personalities who have contributed to the development of the Olympic movement in Qatar. The honourees included H.E. Sheikh Saud bin Ali Al-Thani - former QOC First Vice President, H.E. Thani bin Abdulrahman Al Kuwari - former President of the Qatar Athletics Federation, H.E. Rabea Mohamed Al Kaabi - former President of the Qatar School Sports Association, Mr. Hamad bin Abdulrahman Al Attiyah - former President of the Qatar Equestrian Federation, Mr. Abdullah Yousef Al Sulaiti - former President of the Sailing and Rowing Federation, Mr. Ahmed Abdulrahman Al Muftah - former President of the Qatar Basketball Federation, Mr. Majed Ahmed Al Naimi - former President of the Qatar Shooting and Archery Association and Mr. Ali Saeed Al Malki - former Secretary-General of the Qatar Basketball Association.

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# Ministry of Defence signs MoU with Qatar Olympic Committee

The Qatari armed forces recently signed a memorandum of understanding for sports development with the Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC). The signing ceremony was attended by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of State for Defence Affairs H.E. Dr. Khalid bin Mohammed Al-Attiyah and the QOC President H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani.

The MoU aims to boost cooperation between the two parties and set the framework of sports cooperation to help support and develop the Qatari talented athletes to be able to represent the state of Qatar at regional and international events.

It also aims to help facilitate the exchange of experts and coaches in the fields of sports and physical education. The MoU will enable the two parties share experiences related to the protection of athletes, organization of sports events, sports medicine, doping control measures, supporting women sports and training women's sports officials.

The MoU was signed by the QOC Secretary-General H.E. Jassim bin Rashid Al Buenain and President of the Military Sports Association Brigadier-General Yousef Desmal Al-Kuwari.



## **QOC** and **Ministry of Education** and Higher **Education** sign MoU

The QOC recently signed Memorandum of **Understanding with the Ministry of Education** and Higher Education to boost their mutual works in the field of physical and sport activities, and to promote the partnership that will bring mutual interest to both organizations.

H.E the QOC President, Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani met with H.E Minister of Education and Higher Education Ms. Buthaina Ali Jabr Al Nuaimi at the OOC Headquarters.

H.E the QOC Secretary-General, Jassim bin Rashid Al Buenain, signed the MoU on behalf of the QOC and H.E Ibrahim bin Saleh Al-Naimi inked on behalf of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education. The signing ceremony was also attended by Ms. Fawzia Abdulaziz Al Khater Assistant Undersecretary for Educational Affairs at the Ministry of Education and Higher Education.

This MoU covers the exchange of experience and information in the fields of education, physical fitness, integrating physical education, sports, and education. In addition to implementing a framework of promoting the sport culture and healthy lifestyle inside the educational institutions environment by adopting effective policies of exchanging experience at all levels of school sports.





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# QOC celebrates a new chapter of Achievements at Sports Excellence Awards





The Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) held its annual Sport Excellence Awards at Barahat Msheireb to honour those who made glorious achievements and took Qatar's name to greater heights at the Olympics and in sports during the year 2021. The ceremony was attended by H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad al-Thani, the QOC president, who also handed over the Sport Excellence Awards.

At the event, awards were presented to athletes, administrators, sport personalities and institutions supporting sports. Several prominent sport and public figures, representatives of government and privative organisations who spared no efforts in supporting the Qatari sport movement, especially during the challenging season of the Covid-19 pandemic which disrupted global sports, attended the event.

H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad al-Thani said that the Sport Excellence Awards comes in the light of the QOC's, and its partners from ministries and institutions that are supporting the sport movement, constant commitment to honouring Qatari athletes on their prominent achievements

He lauded all the achievements made in the year and he appreciated Team Qatar's achievements at Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games. He described Qatar's participation in Tokyo as the best ever in the nation's sports history. Qatar ended with four medals, including two gold medals claimed by weightlifter Faris Ibrahim and high jumper Mutaz Barshim and a bronze medal clinched by the Qatar beach volleyball team, in addition to Abdulrahman Abdulqader's bronze medal in shot put at the Paralympic games

Sheikh Joaan said that these ongoing series of success of team Qatar at different domains are an outcome of unlimited support given by His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani, the first supporter of sports.

The QOC president expressed his pride and gratitude to all efforts made by team Qatar stars who honoured Qatari sports at different regional, continental and international levels.

Sheikh Joaan wished Team Qatar good luck and more record of achievements in upcoming sport events.

Speaking at the event, the QOC Secretary General HE Jassim Rashid al-Buenain expressed his gratitude to His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim



bin Hamad Al-Thani for his unlimited support to the Qatar sports.

He said that His Highness' support has kept the nation's achievements to continue to grow year by year in all fields of sports.

"We made history and stole the spotlights at Tokyo 2020 Olympics and Paralympic Games after adding unprecedented achievements to the Qatar's sport record. Our team Qatar won two gold medals and secured another two bronze medals to lead the Arab standings at the Games as Qatar took the 41st place in the overall standings," Al-Buenain said.

"This achievement came on the background of constant effort over many years to develop Qatari sport movement in order to reach this highest level of success. On this occasion, we

appreciate the role played by the Ministries, government bodies, authorities, public institutions and private companies in supporting the country's sport movement, in way that keep our plans, goals and ambitions applicable and possible," added the QOC Secretary General.

H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani, the president of Qatar Olympic Committee handed over the Sport Excellence Awards to the following honorees:

#### **Athletes:**

- Male Athlete of the Year Award Fares Ibrahim, Mutaz Barshim and Abderrahman Samba
- Female Athlete of the Year Award Tala Abuibara
- Male Para-Athlete of the Year Award Abdulrahman Abdulgader Abdulrahman
- Female Para-Athlete of the Year Award Sara Hamdi Masoud
- Promising Male Athlete of the Year Award Saeed Zmzom Alabsi
- Jockey of the Year Award Faleh Bo Ghneim
- Golden Federation Award
   Qatar Weightlifting and Fencing Federation,
   Qatar Athletics Federation and Qatar Volleyball
   Association
- Men's Team of the Year Award Beach Volleyball Team
- Women's Team of the Year Award Women's Table Tennis Team
- Male best personal sports Achievement in Community Award Rashid rashid Al khayarin Al-hajri
- Female best personal sports Achievement in Community Award
   Sheikha Hind bint Hamad AL-Thani, Sheikha Asma bint Thani AL-Thani, Lolwa Al-Marri and Sheikha
   Hanoof bint Thani AL- Thani



#### **Administration:**

- Distinguished Governmental Institution in Supporting Olympic Movement Award: Ministry of Public Health and Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Media Partner Award Al Kass Channels
- Recognition Award for Personalities that served sport in Qatar
   Sheikh Mohammed Bin Eid Al Thani and Yousef Ahmed Alsai
- Team Qatar Official Supporter Award Ibn Ajayan Projects and Aamal Company
- Official Sponsor of Sport For Life Programs Award Vodafone
- Distinguished company in supporting sport Sports Corner
- Distinguished local company in supporting sport
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- Coach of the Year Award Ibrahim Al Said Hassouna and Mariano Baracetti
- Male Administrator of the Year Award Khalifa Yousef Abdul Malik, Zayed Mubarak Al-khayarin, Mohamed Salem Al-kuwari and Mohamed Anbar Al-Nasser
- Female Administrator of the Year Award Nawal Abdulla Al-Sulaiti
- Referee of the Year Award Abdullah Ali Al Motawa Al Hammadi
- Female Referee of the Year Award Abeer Al-Buainain
- Camel Trainer of the Year Award Mohamed Khalid Al Attiyah
- Camel Owner of the Year Award Nasser Abdulla Al Mesnad
- Horse Owner of the Year Award Khalifa S Al Kuwari
- Qatari Horse Trainer of the Year Award Ibrahim Saeed Almalki





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# On behalf of H.H. the Amir, Sheikh Joaan participates in World Youth Forum

Olympic Committee Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani participated in the 4th edition of the World Youth Forum held in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt from January 10-13, 2022.

The World Youth Forum, which was inaugurated by the Egyptian President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, witnessed discussions in three main topics including peace, development and creativity, creating a platform to express views, present ideas and share experiences throughout its sessions.



### Sheikh Joaan meets French Sports Ambassador

The QOC President H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani met with French Sports Ambassador Laurence Fischer.

The meeting reviewed aspects of sports cooperation between the two countries and the ways to boost them in the coming stage.

In attendance also were Jassim Bin Rashid Al Buenain, the QOC Secretary General, Ambassador Jean-Baptiste Faivre and Political and Sports Councellor, Pascale Vincent.

French Sports Ambassador had visited the QOC in 2019 to strengthen the relations with FIFA 2022 World Cup organizers. She also visited Aspire Zone and some other national sports federations.



Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani attends virtual memorial for former IOC President Jacques Rogge

The QOC President H.E Sheikh Joaan Bin Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani and QOC Secretary General HE Mr Jassim Rashid Al-Buenain attended the virtual memorial of Count Jacques Rogge to pay their respects to the former IOC President.

The memorial was attended by people from around the world whose lives were touched by Count Rogge during his long and decorated career.

Count Rogge served as the eighth IOC President from 2001 to 2013, during which time His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al-Thani was elected as an IOC Member. Before becoming President, Count Rogge was a world champion athlete in sailing and competed at three Olympic Games in 1968, 1972 and 1976. He also served as President of the Belgian and European Olympic Committees (EOC).

Speaking following the memorial, QOC President Sheikh Joaan Bin Hamad Al-Thani said:

"Today we pay our respects to a decorated athlete, a highly influential sports leader and a great man. Jacques Rogge was hugely respected around the world and over his long career he touched the lives of so many of us. He made such a significant contribution to the development of the Olympic Movement and while he will be greatly missed, his legacy will live on for many years to come."



## QOC participates in ANOC General Assembly meetings

The QOC participated in the 25th General Assembly meetings of the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) which were held in Crete, Greece.

The QOC was represented by the QOC President H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani and the QOC Secretary General H.E. Jassim bin Rashid Al-Buenain.

The ANOC General Assembly meetings brought together a number of world sports leaders, including the International Olympic Committee President Dr. Thomas Bach and the ANOC Acting President Robin Mitchell in addition to representatives from 155 out of 205 NOCs and representatives of International Sports Federations.







**Al Mana** re-elected as member of executive board of the **Union of Arab National Olympic Committees** 

The Qatar Weightlifting Federation President, Mr. Mohamed Yousef Al Mana has been re-elected as a member of the executive board of the Union of Arab National Olympic Committees (UANOC) for the new term 2021-2024. The election came on the side-lines of the 20th General Assembly meeting of the UANOC hosted by the Saudi **Arabian Olympic Committee at the Prince Faisal** bin Fahad Olympic Complex in Riyadh.

At the meeting, H.R.H Prince Abdulaziz bin Turki Al-Faisal was unanimously elected as the president of the UANOC and Mr. Abdulaziz Al Anazi, elected as the Secretary- General for the new term 2021-2024.

The Qatar Olympic Committee was represented by the Director Public Relations and International Cooperation Department, Mr. Hamad Al Obaidly and the Head of International Cooperation section, Ms. Sara Al-Misnad at the UANOC General Assembly.

## **QOC** attends **OCA General Assembly Meetings**

The Oatar Olympic Committee (OOC) attended the **40th General Assembly Meetings of the Olympic** Council of Asia, which was recently held in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates with the participation of 45 Asian NOCs.

H.E Dr. Thani bin Abdulrahman Al-Kuwari, Vice-President of the Olympic Council of Asia (West Asia), and H.E Mr. Jassim bin Rashid Al-Buenain, Vice-President of the Olympic Council of Asia (2030) Doha Asian Games), attended the general assembly. The Oatar Olympic Committee was represented by Mr. Khaleel Al Jaber, Director of Sport Affairs and Sheikha Asma Al Thani, Director of Marketing and Communications.

During the meeting, Al-Buenain delivered a detailed presentation on Qatar's ongoing logistics, organizational and technical preparations to host an exceptional Doha Asian Games in 2030.

The IOC and OCA during the general assembly appreciated the fruitful initiative of the State of Qatar and the QOC to facilitate the meeting held between the IOC and the Afghan sports representatives in

Moreover, the OCA applauded QOC for its unparalleled success in hosting the inaugural edition of the ANOC World Beach Games 2019.

The General Assembly agenda highlighted the stability of the Olympic movement in Asia and the meeting heard updates from the next four hosts of the OCA's showpiece event, the Asian Games: Hangzhou 2022, Aichi-Nagoya 2026, Doha 2030 and Riyadh 2034.

The meetings also discussed the progress reports from the organisers of two other multi-sport games in 2022: the 6th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games in Bangkok and Chonburi next March and the 3rd Asian Youth Games in Shantou, China in December 2022.









## QOC attends 33rd Meeting of GCC Council of Olympic Committees

The QOC participated in the 33rd Meeting of the GCC Council of Olympic Committees held via video-conferencing recently.

H.E Jassim bin Rashid Al Buenain, the Secretary-General, represented the QOC in the meeting.

The heads of the GCC Olympic committees expressed their sincere thanks and gratitude to the GCC leaders for their efforts to support the youth of the GCC countries and to enhance the GCC joint action.

The Council agreed to adopt the regulations for a working group to follow up the implementation of the strategic plan for the development of joint Gulf action in the field of sports. It also approved the proposal to change the time of the plan to be from 2022 until the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics and to include the Gulf tournaments and Olympics in the plan to turn from a short-term strategic plan to a medium-term strategic plan.

The meeting dealt with many topics on the agenda including following-up the implementation of the directives of the GCC leaders, the topics related to following-up the implementation of the Al Ula Declaration and the decisions issued by the Supreme Council at its 41st session.





Al Buenain attends the 92nd executive board meeting of GCC Olympic Committees

The QOC Secretary-General H.E. Mr. Jassim bin Rashid Al Buenain attended the 92nd meeting of the Executive Board of GCC Olympic Committees held recently in Manama, Bahrain.

The meeting discussed several important matters including the third GCC Games in Kuwait, third GCC Beach Games, fourth GCC Games, seventh GCC Women's Games and first GCC Youth Games.

They also reviewed the formation of GCC Sports Dispute Resolution Panel and the activities of GCC Sports Organizing Committees in addition to other topics on the meeting agenda.

The meeting was also attended by Director of the QOC Sports Affairs Department Mr. Khaleel Al Jabir, President of Qatar Women Sports Committee Mrs. Lulwa Al Marri, and the Director of QOC Public Relations and International Cooperation Department Mr. Hamad Al Obaidly.

## QOC Secretary-General inaugurates IPC Athletics World Championships Exhibition

H.E Jassim bin Rashid Al Buenain,
Secretary-General of the Qatar Olympic
Committee (QOC) inaugurated the
IPC Athletics World Championships
Exhibition that celebrated the event
held in 2015 in Doha.

The exhibition was at the headquarters of the Qatar Paralympic Committee, and it comes in honor of all those who contributed to the event's success.

It brought together photos for the opening and closing ceremonies, referees and volunteers' kits and the event's merchandise and sports equipment.

It's worth mentioning that it was the first ever IPC Athletics World Championships held in the Middle East from October 21-31, 2015, with participation of 1226 athletes from 93 countries.

The exhibition aimed to shed light on all landmark achievements being made by team Qatar champions at both regionally and on Olympic levels, furthermore to display the Qatar's effort in hosting the event that brought together 1226 athletes from 93 countries.

On the occasion, the QPC Executive Director, Mr. Ameer Al Mulla welcomed H.E Secretary-General along with team Qatar stars and their technical and administrative staff.

Mr. Al Meer appreciated the centre stage role of the QOC under the presidency of H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani in supporting the sports for players special needs in the country, such support leading to a lot of achievements and brought top honorable medals to the nation at both regionally and on Olympic levels. He noted that the QPC will keep up producing top champions to compete in different sport events.

On his behalf, H.E QOC Secretary-General, Jassim bin Rashid Al Buenain lauded the full support delivered by all institutions,



sectors and sport facilities in the country to serve the QPC athletes. He also applauded the most recent achievements of Qatar's Abdulrahman Abdulqader who claimed the bronze medal of men's F34 shot put in Tokyo.

QOC Secretary General toured all wings and the sections of the exhibition and had a brief on all the medals, kits, equipment, tools, sport facilities and sport dresses of team Qatar members along with all QPC's technical devices, medical clinic and gyms.

Mr. Ameer Al Mulla said, "We are truly happy with the visit of the QOC Secretary General. Our initiative of this exhibition reflects a real desire of QPC to document all achievements, records and figures made at that memorable event hosted by Doha in 2015. I really appreciate the QOC's center stage role that made our technical and administrative effort during the event impressive and possible, so that our unparalleled success in the event will act as a lasting legacy for generation to come."

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## Sheikh Joaan receives award at ANOC Awards 2021

## **QOC wins NOC Breakthrough Award**



The QOC was bestowed the National Olympic Committees' (NOC)
Breakthrough Award by the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) at the ANOC Awards 2021 held on the side-lines of the ANOC General Assembly in Crete, Greece.

The QOC President H.E Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani received the award on behalf of the QOC.

The NOC Breakthrough Award is presented to the NOCs who won their first-ever Olympic medal or first-ever Olympic gold medal.

Qatar clinched two gold medals at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics, with team Qatar's weightlifter Fares Ibrahim winning the gold medal at the 96kg event and Mutaz Barshim claiming the gold medal of the men's high jump event. Moreover, Qatar's beach volleyball duo won Arab's first-ever Olympic medal in team sports in Tokyo.

## QOC participates in International Forum for Sports Integrity



The QOC participated in the fourth edition of International Forum for Sports Integrity organized by the International Olympic Committee held last November.

The QOC was represented by Sheikh Ahmad Nooh Al-Thani, Director of Legal Affairs Department and Mrs. Zahra Al-Zaidan, Head of Legal Studies Unit.

The Forum brought together over 500 representatives of the Olympic Movement, governments, intergovernmental agencies and other experts to discuss how to improve the prevention of corruption in the sport, in particular through the International Partnership Against Corruption in Sport

(IPACS), which was created during the second edition of the IFSI in 2017.

The event also provided an important platform for exchanges between sports organisations, intergovernmental organisations such as the UNODC, OECD, Council of Europe and INTERPOL, as well as government representatives.

The forum also lauded the efforts made by the IOC Olympic movement unit on prevention of manipulation of competitions and urged the countries to sign the Europe convention on manipulation of sports competitions.

Team Qatar Virtual Flag Relay unites the nation with pride, loyalty and solidarity The Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) recently organized a virtual fifth edition of the Flag Relay as part of the country's celebrations of the National Day 2021.

The Flag Relay aligns with the country's National Day celebrations and it reflected the QOC's efforts to bring the community together through sport.

This year's Flag Relay witnessed a number of events organized for students, as well as the QOC opening its social media platforms for the public to participate in sports and raise up the national flag higher while participating in their sporting activities.

The QOC organizes the Flag Relay in the second week of December annually, with the aim to boost the national loyalty, pride and unity. This event comes in line with the QOC's strategy to promote the Olympic movement values and celebrating the National Day through sports.







## **QOC announces 2022 Sport Events calendar**

The Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) has announced its calendar of sport events for the year 2022. This year's calendar will see 62 sport events, including 36 international sport events. The most prominent of them is the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 which will be held from November 21 to December 18.

The QOC's 2022 calendar also includes a series of international sport events, such as the Turkish Super Cup on January 5, King Of Court Crown Series - Beach Volleyball from January 5 to 8, 1st Qatar Men's ITF World Tennis Tour from January 16 to 23, WAGR- Qatar Open Amateur Golf Championship - 36th edition from March 20 to 22, Bilateral Series Afghanistan Vs Netherland - Cricket from January 21 to 25, 2nd Qatar Men's ITF World Tennis Tour from January 23 to 30, Qatar Fencing Grand Prix 2022-Epee from January 28 to 30, 3rd Qatar Men's ITF World Tennis Tour from January 30 to February 6, QSF 1 Psa Satellite Senior1k-Squash from January 30 to February 3.

International sport events to be hosted in the capital of sports, Doha, includes Oatar ExxonMobil Open- Tennis (February 14 to 19), Bi Lateral Senior National Team over 50- Cricket (February 18 to 28), Qatar Total Open - Tennis - from February 20 to 26, Commercial Bank International Equestrian Championship - A Shaqab - from February 24 to 26, 14th Taishan World Cup Artistic Gymnastics - from March 2 to 5, Longines World Tour Show Jumping Championship - Al Shaqab - from March 3 to 5, WTT Youth Contender 2022, Doha (QATA) - Table Tennis - from March 5 to 12, 1st Qatar ITF World Tennis Tour (Group) - March 7 to 12, FIVB BVB World (4 star) Men's and Women's - Beach Volleyball - from March 8 to 12, WTT Star 2022 Contender Doha (OATA) -Table Tennis - from March 10 to 28 and 2nd Oatar ITF World Tennis Tour Junior (Group 4) - from March 14 to 19, and QSF 2 Psa Challenger Senior 5K - Squash from March 20 to 23.

Other international events are, FIBA 3x3 World Cup Qualifier Asia 2022 - Basketball - from March 25 to 26, Diamond League Doha Tour on May 13, QSF 3 Psa Challenger Senior 20k - Squash - from May 15 to 18, QSF 4 Psa Bronze Senior 50k - Squash - from July 17 to 21, Bilateral Series for U19 Boys National Team- Cricket - from September 20 to 30, Qatar Classic PSA Platinum Senior - Squash in October, 4th Qatar Men's ITF World Tennis Tour - from October 2

to 9, 5th Qatar Men's ITF World Tennis Tour - from October 9 to 16, Bilateral Series Senior National Team - Cricket - from October 15 to 31, 6th Qatar Men's ITF World Tennis Tour - from October 16 to 23, 3x3 Nation League - U23 (Second)- Basketball - from October 20 to 21, Qatar Men's International Handball Championship - from December 25 to 30, QSF 5 Psa Challenger senior 5k - Squash - from December 26 to 29, Qatar 7th International Cup - Weightlifting - from December 27 to 29, and Commercial Bank Qatar Masters - 25th edition - Golf (To be confirmed ).

On other hand, Doha was the host city of International Conference of the International Association of Sports Management on March 20.

On the Asian level, Doha will host the 1st Qatar Asian Junior- Tennis - from May 16 to 21, 2nd Qatar Asian Junior Tournament- Tennis - from June 27 to July 5, FIBA Asia Cup 2025 Pre- Qualifiers (first ) - Basketball - from June 27 to July 5, Qatar Junior Open Squash - from September 18 to 21 and FIBA Asia Cup 2025 Pre- Qualifiers (second) - Basketball.

On the GCC level, Doha will host GCC Squash Tournament Senior & Junior under 17 from February 13 to 16 and GCC Women 's cricket Championship from March 12 to 22.

Moreover, the calendar also included a huge number of local events including the Ultimate Race Ultimate Race (Triathlon) on March 19, H.H. The Emir Sword Equestrian - from February 18 to 19, QOC Beach Games - from February 19 to 25, HH the Amir Basketball Cup final on March 30, closing ceremony of Olympic Schools Program on March 30, Qatar Volleyball Cup final on March 31, the Amir Football Cup final will be confirmed later, HH the Amir Volleyball Cup final on April 20, Qatar Handball Cup Final on April, HH the Amir Handball Cup final on May 15, Sport Excellency Awards in November ( to be confirmed), Health and Fitness Program on November 12, Flag Relay in December (to be confirmed) and Qatar Football Cup Final ( to be confirmed later).

## QOC Padel Tournament 2021 by ooredoo proves a huge success



The QOC Padel Tournament 2021 was held at Ali Bin Hamad Al-Attiyah Arena of Al Sadd Sports Club and the Khalifa Tennis and Squash Complex with the participation of more than 600 players.

Thani Al Malki, Executive Director, Business at Ooredoo, Jabor bin Saleh Al Mosalam, the chairman of Board of Directors of Sports Corner, Turky Al-Ali Executive Director of Al Sadd Sports Club, Danial Storey General Manager of The Zone, Tareq Zainal Secretary General of the Qatar Tennis, Squash and Badminton Federation and Sabah Al Kuwari Director of PR at Ooredoo Qatar crowned the winners on the final day of the tournament.

In the men's event, Carlos Lopez Hidalgo and Gonzalo Sacho won the title of Category (A) after beating Guillem Blasi and Pablo Gomez Molpeceres in the final match.

Cristobal Diaz and Hani Mohamed claimed the title of Category (B) after beating Alexandru Rosca and Khalid Al Hindawi in the final match while Abdulla Kafoud and Mohamed Hassan Al Yafei won the title of Group (C) following their victory over Ahmed Al Sowaidi and Mikel De Morentin.
Beltran Choya and Javier Maluf hoisted the trophy of Juniors U16 Years Category after beating Hamza Al Sayed and Jan Wajgt in in the final match.

In the Women's event, Araya Suksomrup and Theresa Reynolds occupied the first place at Category (B) following their victory over Madalina Victoria and Sanny Tornabene while May Sy and Rojimar Gomez claimed the title of Category (D) after beating Heba Al Ansari and Dinara in the final match.

Jassim Al Mulla and Ishaq Al Hashimi claimed the title of QOC Employees Padel Tournament after winning the final match held on the side-lines of the main event.

The Tournament Director Nasser Al Modahka hailed the success of the QOC Padel Tournament in its third edition which featured the participation of more than 600 players.

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He also thanked the sponsors for their support to the Qatari Sports and to Padel in particular.

Al Modahka said that the QOC organized the inaugural Padel Tournament in lights of its efforts to increase community engagement and sports participation.

The 2021 edition of the tournament is held under the sponsorship of ooredoo Qatar

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The OOC organizes this edition of Padel Tournament in light of its efforts to promote a healthy lifestyle and raise awareness of importance of practicing sport.





QOC organises its Annual Fitness and Health Program The QOC recently organized its annual program for 'Physical Fitness and Health' at the Katara Cultural Village. The event was in the frame of QOC's continuous effort to promote the sports culture and making sport activities a lasting value for all community individuals.

This new look of 2021 Fitness and Health Program has seen the biggest ever spinning class in Qatar, which brought together more 200 participants from both genders.

The QOC organized the program in cooperation with Katara Cultural Village and Be Fitness, who is highly interested in partnering with QOC in promoting Health and physical fitness among the citizens and residents.

The key objective of the QOC's drive is to promote health and sport awareness among individuals, enhancing the QOC's relationship with the local society and making sport an integral part of their daily lifestyles.

The Qatar Olympic Committee's calendar includes 13 community events and more than 60 International Championships.









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## **Qatar Olympic** Committee announce members of pioneering **Al Adaam Youth Council**



مجلس شباب الأدعم AL ADAAM YOUTH COUNCIL

The Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) has announced the members of its pioneering Al Adaam Youth Council, which aims to encourage and develop youth participation in sport in Oatar.

The Al Adaam Youth Council acts as a bridge between the QOC and the youth community in Qatar ensuring their interests are properly heard and represented. Its key objectives and responsibilities include the promotion of the QOC's strategy, enhancing Olympic values and leveraging the success of Team Qatar as a platform for local youth participation in sport.

The ten (five male and five female) university students who form the Al **Adaam Youth Council represent the** country's diverse and dynamic young population aged between 17 and 27 vears old:

- Bayan Alyafei a fourth-year Finance and **Economics student**
- Syed Ali Mustafa, an Accounting and Banking major
- Bashair Obaid Almanwari, a Process Engineering major and Qatar national athletics team player and coach
- Abdulrahman Ouda, a Mechanical Engineering student
- Haya Monawwar, a first-year Sustainable Energy major
- Najla Zuhir, an IT Software major
- Musab Mohammed Eltayeb, a Business Management (Marketing) major
- Siwar Alali, a MA student in Media and **Cultural Studies**
- Ali Ahmed Al-Yazidi, a third-year Business Management student
- Noora Hamad Al Thani, a third-year Management Information System student



Bashair Obaid Almanwari, Qatar National Athletics Team Player, said: "It is my pleasure to join the QOC's Al **Adaam Youth Council which will** act as a perfect bridge between the local youth communities and the QOC, ensuring that we can empower even more young people through sport."

## Qatar Olympic Committee facilitates meeting between IOC and Afghan Sport Representatives in Doha

The State of Qatar and the Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) facilitated a meeting between the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and representatives of the NOC of Afghanistan and the General Directorate of the Physical Education and Sports.

The QOC facilitated the meeting with the integral support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as part of its ongoing commitment to supporting the IOC and the Olympic Movement. The meeting was held by the IOC to discuss the future of sport in Afghanistan and the representation of the country in international competitions.

The IOC delegation was led by IOC Deputy Director-General Pere Miro, and included the Olympic Council of Asia Director-General, Husain Al-Musallam. Her Excellency Lolwa Al Khater Qatar's Assistant Foreign Minister. His Excellency QOC Secretary-General Jassim Rashid Al-Buenain also attended the meeting.

The Afghan delegation included the NOC President, Hafizullah Wali Rahimi, and Eng. Nazar Mohammad Mutmaeen, the General Director of the Physical Education and Sport.



## Barshim's London Olympic medal upgraded after nine years

## Mutaz Essa Barshim's bronze from London 2012 Games has been upgraded to a silver medal.

Qatar's reigning Olympic and World champion finished third in a three-way tie and was awarded the bronze medal along with Canada's Derek Drouin and Britain's Robbie Grabarz after clearing 2.29m in the final on August 7, 2012 at London's Olympic Stadium.

The development upgrades Barshim's Olympic medal tally to two silver and one gold. The former World-Athlete-of-the-Year went on to win the silver at the Rio Olympics with a jump of 2.36m and shared the gold with Italy's Gianmarco Tamberi, four years later in Tokyo after both champions cleared 2.37m in a thrilling final on August 1.

Russian gold medallist Ivan Ukhov was the initial winner in London, but was proven years later to have taken part in the Russian state-backed steroid doping programme.

American Erik Kynard will finally get his gold medal for his leap of 2.33 meters which placed him second behind Ukhov.

Barshim is one of the most successful Qatari athletes as he claimed the title of 2010 World Juniors Championships in Canada, 2011 Asian Championships in Japan, 2011 Arab Games in Qatar and 2017 and 2019 World Championships.



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## **Mutaz Barshim wins World Athletics Inspiration Award**

**Qatar's high jump champion Mutaz** Barshim shared the Inspiration Award with fellow Tokyo Olympic gold medallist Gianmarco Tamberi of Italy at the World Athletics Awards 2021 ceremony held in Monaco last December.

Barshim and Tamberi shared the gold medal at the Tokyo Olympics when, after both finished on 2.37 metres, the Qatari athlete asked officials: "Can we have two golds?"

These two became one of the biggest talking points of the Olympic Games, mainly for the act of respect and sportsmanship between two friends.

Barshim said: "I hope to inspire more people to love our sport and maybe share a gold one day!" Tamberi added: "It is just crazy if I think about this story. Thank you very much for this trophy. I now call Mutaz like five times a week because I need to speak with him. I feel that now we are not just friends, we are really like blood brothers."















ابن عجيان للمشاريع، شركة خدمات متكاملة لإدارة الأملاك والمرافق مقرها في دولة قطر. تأسست في عام 2010. وتقدم الشركة مجموعة واسعة من خدمات الصيانة والتشغيل، وحلول متخصصة في العديد من القطاعات المختلفة، التجارية والسكنية والترفيهية. تشمل سيرتنا الذاتية بعض المشاريع المرموقة في حولة قطر. وتمتد مشاريعنا على مساحة تفوق 3 ملايين متر مربع، مما أسهم في بناء سمعتنا كواحدة من الشركات الرائدة في مجال إدارة الأملاك والمرافق في دولة قطر.





بالتخطيط واستراتيجية التنفيذ، وحتى التسليم ونوفر حلولاً استشارية، وخدمات استراتيجية، ونصائح لمساعدة العميل علب زيادة العائد وتشغيل وإدارة المشروع. تضمن استرانيجياتنا المتخصصة ودراساتنا علم استثماراته العقارية والتجارية. لأننا نؤمن أن الاستثمار العُفارِب يتطلّب إُشرافًا دَمَيقًا، وَفَهُمًا لاتجاهات سوق العقارات وسوق رأس المال.



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## Team Qatar claims Asian Men's Handball Championship title



Team Qatar claimed their fifth consecutive Asian Men's Handball Championship title after a commanding 29-24 victory over Bahrain in the final at Ministry of Sports Hall in Dammam, Saudi Arabia.

With the title win, Qatar, who also won 2014, 2016, 2018, and 2020 editions, equaled South Korea's record of five straight titles in the continental event.

The first half saw intense action, with Qatar lead 14-11 at the breather. Team Qatar put up a dominating show in the second half to seal a historic win.

Hosts Saudi Arabia secured a bronze medal after a 26-23 win over Iran in the third position play-off. The Asian Championship was also serving as a qualifier for World Championship, offering the top five teams of the event berths for the global competition to be staged jointly by Poland and Sweden next year.

## Team Qatar wins bronze medal in Asian Beach Volleyball Championships

Qatar's beach volleyball team including Cherif Younousse and Tijan Ahmed spared no effort to win the bronze medal of the 2021 Asian Beach Volleyball Championships in Phuket, Thailand recently.

In the men's third-place playoff clash, Qatari duo were superior in every department against Dmitriy Yakovlev/Sergey Bogatu to cruise past the Kazakh pairing 21-15, 21-15 in 35 minutes for the bronze medal.

In the semi-finals, the Qatari duo suffered a 0-2 defeat at the hands of australia's Christopher Mchugh and Paul Burnett while Dmitriy Yakovlev/Sergey lost to the Iran's Bshman Salemi and Abolhassan Khazidadeh.

Most notably, Ahmed and Cherif had already captured the Asian title for two times in a row in 2018 in Thailand and 2019 in China aside from winning the Qatar's first beach volleyball gold in the 2018 Asian Games in Indonesia.



## Team Qatar wins West Asia Beach Volleyball Zonal Tour title

Qatar's Ahmed Tijan and Abdullah Nasim saw off a strong Omani challenge to emerge champions in the West Asia Beach Volleyball Zonal Tour held at the Aspire courts from January 05 to 08, 2022.

Ahmed and Nasim scored a 21-19, 21-19 win over Haitham Al Sharqi and Mazen Al Hashemi in a hard-fought final. The Oman players came up with a skillful display, catching even Ahmed off guard at times. They waged a tough battle but Ahmed's experience and Nasim's solid display helped the hosts wriggle out of tight situations.

Whenever the Qatari duo hit a nice rhythm, Ahmed's thunderous smashes and Nasim's solid play at the net were a treat to watch. And they combined well at just the right moments, pulling away to set wins even as their rivals closed in. The victory was the culmination of an impressive run for the host team, who did not drop a set in four matches.

Palestine's Ibrahim Qassiya and Abdullah Al Arqan finished third with a 21-14, 21-13 win over Syria's Ibrahim and Yasser.

Ali Ghanem Al Kuwari, President of the West Asia Volleyball Federation and the Qatar Volleyball Association, handed over the trophies. Also present was QVA Beach Volleyball in-charge, Mohamed Salem Al Kuwari.



## Team Qatar weightlifter Fares Ibrahim wins gold and silver in 2021 World Championships

Qatar's Olympic gold medallist Fares Ibrahim won a silver medal at the World Weightlifting Championships in Uzbek capital Tashkent last December.

Fares lifted a total weight of 394kg, to finish behind Lesman Paredes Montano of Colombia in the 96kg category. Fares lifted 222 in clean & jerk, the highest in the field, which fetched him a gold in the category. But he was way behind Montano in snatch, lifting only 172kg.

Montano, meanwhile, pulled off world-class lift in snatch of 187kg to break the record held by 2016 Olympic Champion Sohrab Moradi of Iran. The Colombian was the heaviest athlete to appear and the only one to even attempt a lift at or above 180kg, which he made on his first attempt. After nailing 187, he attempted a massive 190kg but was unsuccessful.

By the time the clean & jerks arrived, Montano had established a lead that the other participants would struggle to surpass. Even though he missed his first clean & jerk, by securing 213kg on his final lift, he had firmly beaten both the gold and silver medallists

Fares and Vallenilla Sánchez – from the Tokyo
 Olympics. Fares made a valiant effort at 229kg to win it all, but failed to catch his clean.

Despite missing out on gold, Fares was delighted with his achievement at the world championship. "I am pleased with my effort as I gave it my all. I am looking forward to participating in all tournaments to gain experience. I want to repeat my Tokyo Olympic gold at the Paris Olympics in 2024," he said.

"Winning silver overall and gold in clean and jerk at the world championship was not easy in light of the strong competition. "My medals here and in Tokyo is an achievement for Qatari sports and the Qatar Weightlifting Federation that has supported me and contributed to my success. I also want to thank my team for pushing me hard and planning my training programmes that has led to this success," he added.



## Team Qatar weightlifter Ibrahim shines again to win three gold medals in Arab Championship

The Qatar's Olympic Gold medalist and champion Fares Ibrahim set new standards of excellence to Qatar's sport achievements, after winning three gold medals at the 2021 Arab weightlifting Championship which held in Iraq city of Erbil.

Qatar superstar has fought tooth and nail to claim three gold medals in classes clean, Jerk and total with a lift of 102 kg, beating all participants from other Arab countries.

This event brought together the best Arab weightlifters from 14 countries, including Qatar, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Yemen, Bahrain, Comoros, Sudan, Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya and hosts Iraq.

In a post event statement, the Qatar Olympic Committee First Vice-President and the President of Qatar Weightlifting Federation, Mr. Mohammed Yousef Al Mana described Fares achievement as an outcome of great efforts being made at both the technical and managerial levels and the perfect vision of the Qatar sport movement.

Mr. Al Mana also dedicated this new record of achievements to the Qatar's wise leadership and HE QOC president, Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani.



## Qatar's Faris Ibrahim Wins Best Lifter Award in Arab Weightlifting Championship

The Arab Weightlifting Federation crowned Qatar's Olympic Gold medalist and champion Fares Ibrahim with the award for the Best Arab Weightlifter in a ceremony held in the Iraqi governorate of Erbil at the end of the Arab Weightlifting Championship hosted by Iraq with the participation of 140 male and female weightlifters representing 14 Arab countries.

The coronation of the Qatari champion came after claiming three gold medals, a total of 361 kilograms beating all participants from other Arab countries.

The Qatari champion presented a distinguished season that began with the Olympic gold medal in weightlifting at the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games in the summer and a gold medal at the World

Weightlifting Championships (IWF) in the Uzbek capital Tashkent in December after lifting a total of 394 kilograms.

The Iraqi minister of youth and sports lauded the achievements of the Qatari champion Fares Ibrahim stressing that he became in idol for all the Arab's young men.

He also added that the gold medal won by Fares Ibrahim at Tokyo Olympics made all the Arab athletes proud.

During the closing ceremony, the Iraq national team were crowned champions of the event. Saudi Arabia finished second while Jordan settled for third place.

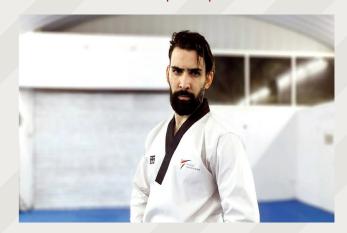
## Qatar's Boularas wins bronze in online World Taekwondo Poomsae Championship

Qatar's Othman Boularas won the bronze medal in the Online World Taekwondo Poomsae Championship, organised by the International Federation, for 12 days, with the participation of 144 players from 33 countries.

The tournament was held recently in 16 different categories for men and women, namely: under 30, under 40, under 50, under 60, under 65, and over 65 years old.

This is the third bronze medal for Boularas in the under-40 category, after winning the bronze medal in World Taekwondo Poomsae Championship Challenge 3 recently. He is the only Arab player to be nominated for the finals in all categories among the 18 players who participated in this category.

This is a great victory for Qatar in taekwondo at the level of a world championship, as the player previously won the gold medal in the World Beach Championship 2018 in Greece, the bronze in the 2019 Asian Championship in Indonesia, and the bronze in the Asian Championship in Lebanon 2020.







"We will discuss how and under which conditions, but it will continue with the best players playing in this competition," Mr Infantino added.

H.E. Hassan Al Thawadi, Secretary General of the Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy, said: "Football's power to unite our region was again illustrated during the FIFA Arab Cup. It was the perfect showcase for next year's FIFA World Cup,

which will introduce a new region and culture to millions around the world. We look forward to welcoming fans from across the globe for next year's tournament, which will be the biggest event ever to be held in the Middle East and Arab world - and one that is set to leave a positive social, economic and cultural legacy for our country and region."



## Doha hosts World Padel Championships

The Qatar Tennis, Squash and Badminton Federation (QTSBF) hosted World Padel Championships 2021 at the Khalifa Tennis and Squash Complex in November.

A total of 320 players representing 16 nations participated in the event.

Spain defeated Argentina 2-0 in the final match of Men's event to claim the title while Brazil took the third place after beating France in the third-place match.

Spain also claimed the title of women's event after beating Argentina in the final match while Italy finished third.

H.E ooredoo's Chief Executive Officer Sheikh Mohammed Bin Abdulla Al Thani, H.E President of the Qatar Tennis, Squash and Badminton Federation Nasser bin Ghanim Al Khelaifi and President of the International Padel Federation Luigi Carraro crowned the winning teams.

The Qatari national padel team qualified to Qatar ooredoo World Padel Championship after beating Japan 2-1 in the final match of ASIA - AFRICA Qualifications concluded in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Doha also hosted the Qatar Major 2022 Padel tournament from March 26 to April 02, 2022. The tournament is the first leg of the newly-announced Category 1 of the Premier Padel, which is set to have at least 10 tournaments scheduled for 2022 and 2023.

Registration for the event broke new records with 123 pairs from 19 different countries.





## Doha hosts QNB Asia Triathlon Cup

The Qatar Cycling and Triathlon Federation organized the QNB Asia Triathlon Cup Doha 2021 in Qatar last November with participation of 18 countries represented by 53 athletes.

A huge crowd turned out to support the participants who featured in 22 competitions.

Spanish athlete Aday Alvarez Diez De topped the field in the men's 30-39 class, edging chief rival Bernard McCullagh to the top spot. Tomas Perucca claimed the third spot.

In the Qatari Men's class, Eid Al Bordaini (gold, 1:02.44) was joined by Mubarak Alajji (silver, 1:04.14) and Mohammed Ajlan Al Kuwari (bronze, 1:04.22) on the podium.

In the women's 30-39 class, Toni Snoxell topped the field to bag a gold medal in a time of 1 hour 9 minutes and 11 seconds. Adeline Cormary (1:10.34) won the silver while Rebecca Page clinched the bronze (1:10.39).

In the GCC Men's class, Kuwait's Abdulaziz Alduaij (gold, 1:02.14)) was joined by Qatar's Eid Al Bordaini (silver, 1:02.44) and Kuwait's Abdullah Alrefae (bronze, 1:03.06). In the GCC Women's competition, Kuwait's Huda Alsaleh (gold, 1:14.25), compatriot Nada Aljeraiwi (silver, 1:18.58)) and Qatar's Caroline Van Aartrijk (bronze, 1:19.24) completed the top three.







Athletes covered distances of 750m (swim), 20km (bike) and 5km (run). The competition started at 7:30am and ended two hours later at the stunning modern cityscape of Lusail Marina.

On the sidelines of the event, Doha hosted a meeting of the GCC triathlon federations heads and representatives to discuss many proposals for the development of sports in the region.

President of the Qatar Cycling and Triathlon Federation, Dr. Mohammed Jaham Al Kuwari, welcomed the heads and representatives of the GCC federations and committees in Qatar, stressing the importance of developing a mechanism to move forward in the steps of establishing the Gulf Triathlon Federation.

Al Kuwari praised the good participation of the athletes of the Gulf countries in the recent Asian championship.

## Qatar Olympic Academy continue its training programs

The Qatar Olympic Academy has organized a series of intensive training programs in light of its vision to promote the sports and Olympic culture at the Qatari society and all over the world.

The QOA organized the "Introduction to Sports Law" training course at the QOA headquarters from November 21-24.

The training course brought together a total of 83 trainees from the Qatar Olympic Committee, Ministry of Sports and Youth, sports federations and sports clubs.

The course focused on sports entities and legislations at the global and continental levels, including Court of Arbitration for Sport.

It also highlighted the legal framework for the sports sector in the state of Qatar and explained the statutes and procedures of Qatar Sports Arbitration Foundation.

The OOA launched the 12th edition of the Advanced Sports Management Diploma program held in cooperation with the International Olympic Committee with participation of 30 trainees.

The QOA also organized Olympic Movement Principles Training Course in cooperation with the International Olympic Committee.

The course focused lights on the concepts of the sports management and beginning of Olympic movement and Olympics games.

It also highlighted administrative skills and the steps to develop the administrators of sports institutions to help them accomplish more achievements.

The QOA also held a five-day management and organization course for the Doha 2030 Asian Games, bringing together 35 trainees from various sports.

Course lectures were presented by a group of organisational experts from across the continent, as well as administrators from the QOC, sports federations and Qatar University.

It was held as part of a series of specialised courses for the Asian Games, with a public relations and sports marketing course, as well as one on crisis management still to come.

The agenda included the Master's Programme in Sports Law, which is being held by the Academy for the fifth year in a row, which is one of the most robust programs in the region in general, in addition to the eleventh edition of the Advanced Diploma for the Management of Olympic Sports Institutions accredited by the International Olympic Committee, as well as several Olympic education workshops. As for the various courses, it included many fields, the most important of which are media, law, administration, planning and security management of sports facilities, psychology and anti-doping, and other sports and Olympic fields.











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