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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members,

The spring Classics season is nearly over and has, as always, highlighted the beauty of our sport. After the E3 Saxo Classic on 24 March, I was fortunate to have the chance to return to Belgium at the beginning of this month for the Ronde van Vlaanderen – Tour des Flandres. Both the women's and men's races lived up to all expectations and again crowned very worthy winners after fantastic racing.

The season is still young, and I look forward to the remainder of both the UCI WorldTour and UCI Women's WorldTour, which will be punctuated in August by our first UCI Cycling World Championships.

On 29 March we held our second virtual session with the National Federations' Chefs de Mission for the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships. The event's CEO Trudy Lindblade and our UCI

Head of Major Events Kevin MacCuish were present to give an overview of what to expect and share essential information about the organisation of the event. This was also an occasion for the Federation representatives to ask practical questions about travel, visas and equipment among other topics. I value this opportunity to have direct contact with the Chefs de Mission, who are important for relaying information to their respective National Federations. Onto individual disciplines, our UCI World Cups for trials, artistic cycling, cycle-ball, paracycling road and mountain bike are under way.

The new-look UCI Mountain Bike World Cup began with two enduro rounds in the Australian island state of Tasmania (Maydena then Derby), at the end of March and beginning of April. These were enduro's first appearances as part of the UCI Mountain Bike World Cup, one of the innovations that has resulted from our partnership with Warner Bros. Discovery.

Still Down Under, I had a great deal of pleasure participating virtually in the Oceania Cycling Confederation Congress on 31 March. I thank all the National Federations that took part and hope to see you in person in Scotland in August.

As this newsletter goes out, I will be in Panama City, Panama for the Panamerican Cycling Confederation's (COPACI) UCI Sharing Platform and Congress, another occasion to work together with our National Federations for the development of our sport.

David Lappartient UCI President IOC Member



UCI NEWS

Newly elected and re-elected Presidents

On the African continent, Mr. Ashraf Mohamed Said Emam was re-elected as President of the Sudan Cycling Federation.

On the American continent, Mr. Shimano Bailey was elected President of the St Vincent and the Grenadines Cycling Union and Ms. Sonia Ramos Acuña was re-elected as President of the Bolivian Cycling Association (Federación Boliviana de Ciclismo).

On the European continent, Mr. Morten Anderson was elected President of the Danish Cycling Union (Danmarks Cykle Union).

We wish them the greatest success in promoting and developing cycling in their countries, and thank them for their involvement in our sport.

UCI Webinar Series



Social media: a guide to promote cycling at all levels

To promote and develop cycling in all its forms to your audience, social media is an essential tool. As of 2023, there are 4.9 billion social media users in the world with the average person active for over two hours per day.

Whether to inspire the next generation of cyclists, grow your membership or promote an event, social media can help you achieve your organisational objectives. In this webinar, we will present you with a guide to help develop your social media strategy for the promotion of cycling. Helping put theory into practice, this webinar will present multiple case studies to provide you with the essential know-how of day-to-day social media management.

- Date: Thursday 4 May 2023
- Registration links: 09:00-10:00 CET ; 15:00-16:00 CET
- Speaker: Zack Cooper, UCI Digital Content Manager

SPORT

GENERAL

2024/2024-2025 UCI International Calendar registration procedure

The UCI International Calendar <u>registration procedure</u> for next season and for all disciplines is now open. We kindly invite organisers and National Federations to acquaint themselves with its content, and ask that the deadlines for the submission of the completed registration forms be respected as indicated in the guide. Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact the UCI Sports Department: <u>sportsdepartment@uci.ch</u>.

ROAD

UCI ProSeries participation (art. 2.1.005 of the UCI Regulations)

This is a reminder that the table with the list of teams authorised to participate in UCI ProSeries events is available on the <u>UCI website</u> and will be updated regularly during the year. Please contact <u>road@uci.ch</u> if you have any questions concerning this. No derogation will be granted for teams which do not respect the conditions and timeline.

Prize money management platform

On 24 March, organisers of UCI WorldTour, UCI Women's WorldTour, UCI ProSeries and Class 1 events for Men Elite and Women Elite received a letter reiterating the decision of the UCI Management Committee, following consultation with the Cyclistes Professionnels Associés (CPA)

and the Association Internationale des Organisateurs de Courses Cyclistes (AIOCC), concerning the increase in prize money. This decision means:

- an increase in the contributions from organisers of 11.82% for Men Elite events and 1.82% for Women Elite events. The objective of this modification is to increase the net amount of prize money received by riders by transferring the cost of mandatory contributions (excluding anti-doping) from the riders to the organisers.
- the increase shall be applied to the total prize money paid by each organiser according to the prize money grid of the event and in respect of the minimum prize money defined in the financial obligations published on the <u>UCI website</u>.
- for Class 1 Men Elite events, the 11.82% increase shall be applied progressively over the 2023 and 2024 seasons. Therefore, for the 2023 season, the minimum prize money grid has been reduced to limit the total cost for Class 1 event organisers to 5.91%.
- for other events, the minimum prize money grids remain unchanged.
- these additional contributions shall be paid to the account of the centralised prize management system
- organisers will receive two invoices: one for the prize money, as in previous seasons, and a second for the additional taxes.

During January and February, organisers of UCI WorldTour and UCI Women's WorldTour events as well as UCI ProSeries (men and women) and Class 1 (men and women) events have updated (or created if needed) their account on the <u>centralised prize money management platform</u>, so that prize money can be paid in accordance with the UCI Regulations (art. 1.2.071). No payment of prize money for these events is allowed outside of the platform. Any contravention to the UCI Regulations shall be sanctioned.

During February and March, the UCI WorldTeams, UCI Women's WorldTeams, UCI ProTeams, UCI Continental Teams, UCI Women's Continental Teams, National Teams, UCI Cyclo-cross Professional Teams and their riders have also updated (or created if needed) their account on the centralised prize money management platform, so that prize money can be paid in accordance with the UCI Regulations (art. 1.2.071).

Any prize money which will be due to teams not included in the above list (i.e.: club teams, UCI Cyclo-cross Teams, regional teams) will be transferred to the National Federation of the team concerned, which will then proceed with the payment of the prize money.

Should teams encounter any issue or have any queries, they can contact <u>road@uci.ch</u> or the administrators' platform (<u>contact@cpm-uci.org</u>).

Sports Directors' course

The next UCI Sports Directors' course will take place from 30 October until 3 November at the UCI World Cycling Centre in Aigle, Switzerland. All information, including how women can apply for a scholarship to attend the course, is available on the <u>UCI website</u>.

Furthermore, the list of UCI-certified Sport Directors is available on the <u>UCI website</u>, thus enabling teams to contact Sport Directors who have obtained the UCI certification.

UCI Riders' Agents exam

The next UCI Riders' Agents exam will be held in Aigle, Switzerland, on 16 June 2023. All related information is available on the <u>UCI website</u>.

2023 National Road Championships - registration

National Federations are invited to ensure that their 2023 National Road Championships are registered on the UCI International Calendar. The registration form is available on the <u>National</u> <u>Federations' and Organisers' platform</u> and is to be sent to <u>road@uci.ch</u>.

For riders to be awarded UCI points, the event must be registered on the UCI International Calendar beforehand, and the results uploaded in UCI DataRide no later than two days after the final day of the event (art. 1.2.029 of the UCI Regulations).

The use of unpaved roads (art. 2.2.015 of the UCI Regulations) - reminder

Any organiser wishing to include unpaved roads in a race route, must inform the UCI at the time of registering the event on the calendar. Furthermore, the organiser shall make every effort to ensure the safety of the riders, spectators, and race followers and the smooth running of the event both in sporting terms and regarding the equitable treatment of participants.

In particular, the organiser shall:

- provide the teams with a detailed description of the relevant sections (length, type of surface, degree of difficulty, road width, etc.), if necessary, providing photos or videos
- ensure that the course is rideable at all times (in all weather conditions, etc.) by a road bicycle as defined by Chapter III of Part I of the UCI Regulations
- ensure the safety of the course (maintenance, sweeping and stabilising the surface, protective measures, signage, etc.)
- ensure that the following vehicles are suitable for the race course and that the drivers have the necessary skills.

The UCI may refuse to register an event on the calendar and/or refuse the inclusion of an unpaved section.

The elements referred to in the present article shall be indicated in the race programme - technical guide. For one-day races, they shall also be mentioned during the meeting of Sports Directors.

Use of sidewalks, paths, cycle paths or verges (art. 2.2.025 of the UCI Regulations) - Reminder

Following the various incidents that occurred at the beginning of the season, we issue a reminder that it is strictly prohibited to use sidewalks, paths or cycle paths that do not form part of the course as defined in article 2.2.015, separated by kerbs, verges, level changes or other physical features. If a dangerous situation is created inter alia for other riders, spectators or race personnel by such action or if such action procures a significant advantage over other riders, the rider will be sanctioned in accordance with article 2.12.007.

2023 UCI Cycling World Championships - road

General information

Please see dedicated section on the <u>UCI website</u> for general information. Do not hesitate to contact <u>rwc@uci.ch</u> if you have any queries about the road events.

Qualification system

We kindly remind you that the qualification system for the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships - Road has been published on the <u>UCI website</u>.

Nations interested in taking part in the team time trial – mixed relay must request an invitation by sending an email to <u>rwc@uci.ch</u> before 15 May 2023.

TRACK

2023 UCI Cycling World Championships - track

The preliminary training schedule and accreditation information specific to track are now available on the <u>UCI website</u>. Further information will be included in the Technical Guide, to be published in June.

2023 UCI Junior Track World Championships - Cali (Colombia)

As per **article 9.2.027bis** of the UCI Regulations, to be eligible for the UCI Track World Championships, a nation must have participated in the most recent UCI Junior Track World Championships. To satisfy this eligibility criterion for the 2024 Tissot UCI Track World Championships to be held in Ballerup (Denmark), a nation must participate in both the 2023 (Colombia) and 2024 (China) editions of the UCI Junior Track World Championships. We remind nations that the minimum participation to satisfy this criterion is one rider (man or woman) per nation, in a minimum of one event, at each of these two editions of the UCI Junior Track World Championships.

2023 UCI Masters Track World Championships - Manchester (Great Britain)

The UCI Masters Track World Championships will be held from 30 September to 7 October 2023 at the Manchester Velodrome, Great Britain. For information regarding registration, accommodation, transportation, ticketing and volunteer positions, please consult the competition website: <u>www.cyclingmasters.com</u>.

Registration is open and will close on 3 September.

MOUNTAIN BIKE

2023 UCI Cycling World Championships - mountain bike

Information concerning the mountain bike discipline at the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships is regularly published on the <u>UCI website</u>.

National Federations must book their team area directly via the organisers.

2023 UCI Pump Track World Championships

Following approval by the UCI Management Committee in early February, the <u>2023 UCI Pump</u> <u>Track World Championships</u> will take place on 18 November in Neuquén, Argentina.

2023 UCI Mountain Bike World Cup

Information concerning the 2023 UCI Mountain Bike World Cup is regularly published on the UCI website.

For cross-country Olympic, cross-country short track, cross-country marathon and downhill, online registration is handled by the National Federations and/or UCI Teams via the <u>UCI website</u>.

For enduro and E-enduro, online registration is handled by the National Federations and/or UCI Teams via the <u>UCI website</u>.

2023 UCI Mountain Bike Eliminator World Cup and World Championships Information concerning the **2023 UCI Mountain Bike Eliminator World Cup** and the **2023 UCI Mountain Bike Eliminator World Championships** will be updated regularly on the UCI website.

2023 UCI E-Mountain Bike Cross-country World Cup

Information concerning the 2023 UCI E-Mountain Bike Cross-country World Cup is regularly published on the <u>UCI website</u>.

The newly published 2023 UCI E-Mountain Bike Cross-country World Cup calendar is available on the <u>UCI website</u>.

2023 UCI Junior Series - XCO

Information concerning the 2023 UCI Junior Series for cross-country Olympic (XCO) is published under the mountain bike official documents section on the <u>UCI website</u>.

BMX RACING

2023 UCI Cycling World Championships - BMX Racing

Information concerning the BMX Racing discipline at the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships is regularly published on the <u>UCI website</u>.

2023 UCI BMX Racing World Cup

Information related to the 2023 UCI BMX Racing World Cup events is regularly published on the <u>UCI website</u>.

BMX FREESTYLE

2023 UCI BMX Freestyle World Cup

The second round of the 2023 UCI BMX Freestyle World Cup will be held in Montpellier, France, on 17–21 May. The Competition Guides have been uploaded to the UCI.org website and can be found on the UCI Website:

- <u>Park</u>
- Flatland

BMX Freestyle Park

The UCI World Cycling Centre, in cooperation with the UCI, will welcome the BMX Freestyle Park community to Aigle, Switzerland, on the last weekend of September, and will offer activities such as a tour of the UCI's facilities, a judging clinic, training time on the BMX Freestyle Park, a C1 event, and more. Additional information will be communicated shortly.

Olympic Qualifier Series (OQS)

The BMX Freestyle Park Qualification System for the OQS has been published and can be found <u>here</u>.

CYCLO-CROSS

2023-2024 UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup, youth categories

The UCI has modified the list of UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup rounds that will host the youth categories for the next season: Benidorm, Costa Blanca (Spain) will also host the youth categories (Men Under 23, Men Junior, Women Junior) of the UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup, in addition to Troyes (France), Dublin (Ireland), Namur (Belgium), Antwerpen (Belgium) and Hoogerheide (Netherlands). The final calendar can be found <u>here</u>.

Registration of UCI Cyclo-cross Teams for the 2023-2024 season

The registration guide is available <u>here</u>.

New teams are invited to request their UCI DataRide platform username and password by writing to **offroad@uci.ch**.

Key dates of the registration process for UCI Cyclo-cross teams:

- 31 July 2023: registration deadline for teams and approval by their National Federation;
- 16 August 2023: publication of the list of UCI Cyclo-cross Teams.

TRIALS

2023 UCI Trials World Cup

The 2023 UCI Trials World Cup opened successfully with the first round held in Vic-Catalonia, Spain. Victories went to Spain's Alba Riera and Alejandro Montalvo as well as Great Britain's Jack Carthy. Read the full report here .

The next round will be held in Plœuc-l'Hermitage, France, from 21 to 23 July. The Competition Guide and programme are available on the <u>UCI website</u>

2023 UCI Trials World Youth Games

The Competition Guide and programme for the 2023 UCI Trials World Youth Games to be held in Durana-Araba-Basque Country, Spain, from 14 to 16 July are available on the <u>UCI website</u>.

Registration will open on 23 June and close on 6 July at 12h00 CET and should be made using this **form** that must be filled out by National Federations.

2023 UCI Cycling World Championships - trials

Information related to the trials discipline at the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships taking place between 3 and 13 of August in Glasgow and across Scotland, Great Britain, is regularly updated on the <u>UCI website</u>.

2023 UCI Trials International Calendar

National Federations and organisers of international events are reminded that the UCI is still accepting applications for the 2023 UCI Trials International Calendar.

We also encourage National Federations to register their Trials National Championships on the mandatory dates; 24–25 June, 2023.

The 2023 UCI Trials International calendar is published on the UCI website.

For any information regarding how to register your event, please email **<u>offroad@uci.ch</u>**.

2024 UCI Trials World Cup and 2024 UCI Trials World Youth Games – call for bids National Federations and Organisers of international events are reminded that the UCI is presently seeking bids for rounds of the 2024 UCI Trials World Cup and for the 2024 UCI Trials World Youth Games. Information for organisers can be downloaded <u>here</u>.

For any information regarding how to bid, please email **<u>offroad@uci.ch</u>**.

PARA-CYCLING

2023 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup

All information regarding the 2023 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup rounds may be found on the <u>UCI website</u>.

INDOOR CYCLING

2023 UCI Cycle-ball World Cup

The second round of the 2023 UCI Cycle-ball World Cup took place on 15 April in Sangerhausen (Germany).

2023 UCI Artistic Cycling World Cup

The first round of the 2023 UCI Artistic Cycling World Cup is taking place on 29 April in Frankfurt, Germany.

Further information on the event, including the start list and information bulletin, can be found on the <u>UCI website</u>.

2023 UCI Cycling World Championships - indoor cycling

The 2023 edition of the UCI Indoor Cycling World Championships will be the first to feature a cycle-ball tournament for women.

The UCI strongly encourages its National Federations to prepare and register their athletes for this occasion. This will be a unique opportunity to support and strengthen gender equality in (indoor) cycling and is an important step in the further development of the discipline.

The Technical Guide for the event, including all relevant information, will be published on the **UCI website** by 15 June at the latest.

COMMISSAIRES

Mountain Bike Online National Commissaire Course

The Mountain Bike Online National Commissaire Course is now available on the <u>UCI iLearn</u> platform, in addition to the Road and Track National Commissaire Courses.

To learn more about these Online National Commissaire Courses, please visit the <u>UCI iLearn</u> <u>platform</u>.

CYCLING FOR ALL



All sessions of 2022 UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum available online

Video recordings of all sessions of the 2022 UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum are now available as on the UCI website.

The fourth edition of the UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum took place on 27–28 October 2022 in Glasgow, Scotland (Great Britain), in collaboration with Glasgow Life and the University of Strathclyde. Cycling leaders, advocates, mobility experts, industry representatives and policy makers were among some 110 participants.

Access the video recordings of the 2022 UCI Mobility & Bike City forum sessions

The fifth edition of the Forum will be held on 25 and 26 October 2023 in Bruges, Belgium.

UCI Bike City label: applications open until 26 May 2023

Applications for cities and regions wishing to apply for the UCI Bike City label and join our network of 22 UCI Bike Cities & Regions can be submitted to the UCI until 26 May 2023.

Decisions on the awarding of the label will be communicated after the UCI Management Committee meeting in early August.

The award ceremony will take place on 25 October during the 2023 UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum in Bruges, Belgium.

The UCI Bike City & Region label recognises cities and regions that not only host major UCI cycling events but also demonstrate outstanding commitment to Cycling for All. Visit the <u>UCI</u> website for more information.

Contact cyclingforall@uci.ch for the updated UCI Bike City questionnaire.

ANTI-DOPING

ITA Webinar Series



The Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) is pleased to inform you that the next educational webinar -Testing: What you need to know - organised by the International Testing Agency (ITA), will take place on 27 April 2023.

Testing for substances prohibited in sport is designed to detect and deter doping. Any athlete can be tested at any time. Therefore, it is crucial all athletes and athlete support personnel understand the process and their rights and responsibilities so when you are, or your athlete is, selected for testing you are informed and prepared.

In view of the importance of this topic, the UCI strongly encourages you, your members, all athletes and their support personnel to attend this webinar that will cover what you need to know about testing and provide many practical tips.

As always, the webinar will be delivered in English with simultaneous translation in Arabic, Spanish, French and Russian. Please find below further information regarding this webinar:

<u>Topic</u>: Testing: What you need to know <u>Registration link</u>: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_vj1Cn276T5SlvtyVowLm9w#/registration</u> <u>Event date</u>: 27 April 2023, 14:00 - 15:00 CET <u>Panelists</u> : Richard Driscoll, ITA DCO Trainer, Joël Tettoni, ITA Testing Manager <u>Moderator</u>: Mairi Irvine, ITA Education Team

Finally, the UCI is also pleased to inform you that the educational webinar – Consequences of Doping Part 2: Effects on others – organised by the ITA in March is available on their dedicated YouTube Channel. The UCI strongly encourages you to have a look at this webinar to consider and understand the consequences of doping for others.

SPOTLIGHT

Campaign to promote UCI reporting platform UCI SpeakUp



The UCI's Cycling Integrity programme moved up a gear this month with the launch of a campaign dedicated to the protection of all members of the cycling family.

The campaign centres on the promotion of the UCI's secure reporting platform, UCI SpeakUp, established in 2021 in a bid to ensure cycling is safe and fair. UCI SpeakUp is available for victims and witnesses of harassment or abuse in any form: psychological or physical abuse, sexual harassment or abuse, or negligence.

To highlight the importance of using UCI SpeakUp, the promotional campaign was launched on the UCI's digital platforms and out in the field via awareness courses and a series of posters. All cycling's stakeholders – athletes, coaches, organisers, officials and staff members of different structures – are encouraged to use UCI SpeakUp to protect the physical and psychological integrity of those involved in our sport.

The UCI underlines that everyone, whether a victim or a witness of wrongdoing, must feel free to express their concerns via SpeakUp. In parallel, it encourages its affiliated National Federations to develop similar reporting platforms and procedures within their own organisations. It also encourages people licensed to National Federations that have such a system to use it as a priority.

This campaign is part of the Cycling Integrity programme – and its three pillars Clean cycling, Safe cycling and Fair cycling –, which brings together all the UCI's actions dedicated to promoting and strengthening integrity in cycling at all levels.

Read more about UCI SpeakUp and the latest campaign in the **press release** published on the UCI webiste on 4 April.

UCI WCC CORNER



Electronic Certification for training courses with QR Code

People who successfully complete the UCI World Cycling Centre training courses in cycling's different professions can now guarantee the authenticity of their certificates thanks to an individualised QR code.

The UCI WCC's extensive training programme includes courses and exams for coaches, mechanics, Sport Directors, Riders' Agents and Event Safety Managers, with all successful candidates awarded a certificate. From this year, most certificates are awarded electronically. While printed versions can be requested in some cases, the UCI WCC recommends the use of electronic certificates that can be downloaded by logging into the e-learning platform Moodle.

These certificates feature a QR code that can be scanned to verify the name of the person, the date of the exam, and the level of certification. This new feature guarantees the authenticity and validity of the certificate.

Arabic translation of Level 1 coaching course

The UCI WCC's Coaching Development Programme has received a boost thanks to the translation of the Level 1 online course into Arabic. The UCI WCC would like to thank the Saudi Cycling Federation for the translation of the course content, making the course more accessible to coaches from Arab-speaking countries



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