



Nominations and Voting Process for Athletes of the Year

We are continuing with the 2014 process to nominate and vote for the Athletes of the Year (ATY). The process is more in tune with the selection steps taken by other World Athletic bodies.

The procedures also reflect our commitment and intentions of involving you, our federations and stakeholders, in playing a prominent role in selecting our Athletes of the Year.

Nomination Process:

A total of at most twenty athletes (each of men and women athletes) will make the nomination list (the number will only be increased under excruciating circumstances, on discussion of the IAU Executive Council).

The top three (3) runners (men and women) at the major IAU competitions (MIAUCs) which includes 100km World Championships, 24 Hour World Championships, Trail World Championships and the 50km World Championships will automatically get nominated to the list.

In addition to the above nominees, any athlete who has achieved a World's Best Performance (WBP) will also make the list.

The remaining spots on the nomination list will be open for recommendations to the general audience. **Only runners running IAU Labelled events will be taken into consideration.** They will send in their nominations through the IAU website. The nominees receiving the most nominations will fill the spots. The spots available will depend on the nominations filled from the MIAUCs and WBPs.

Once the nominees have been compiled, they can be moved on to, the voting stage of this process.

Voting Process:

The voting will only be open to the IAU Executive Council and the member federations which each holding one (1) applicable vote. This will account for a total of 11 Executive Council members and eighty one (81) member federations.

Each voting individual has to vote for their top three (3) choices for men and for women.

1st Choice: 5 points

2nd Choice: 3 points

3rd Choice: 1 point

The votes will be compiled at the end and the runner (male and female) with the most votes will win the individual Athletes of the Year titles.

Dates for the 2015 selection process:

January 25th 2016 Nominations will be opened through email for available spots: A list of the automatic nominees will be available on the website.

February 7th 2016 Nominations will stop online and the list will be evaluated by the Executive Council.

February 10th 2016: A list of nominated athletes, who made the cut, will be forwarded to the IAU Executive Council and IAU Member Federations.

February 25th 2016: Voting stops from the Executive Council and Member Federations.

February 28th 2016: IAU Executive Council will confirm the ATY.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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