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EMPF WINS 'BEST FEDERATION' AT NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE AWARDS IN CAIRO (EGY)



The Egyptian Modern Pentathlon Federation (EMPF) has been hailed as the best sports federation in Egypt at 'The Best' annual awards held by the Egyptian Olympic Committee on November 29 in Cairo.

The Modern Pentathlon community in Egypt also celebrated success for two athletes, a coach and an administrator – the total haul of five awards for the EMPF was unmatched by any other federation.

Salma Abdelmaksoud (EGY), gold and silver medallist at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, was named Best Junior Athlete of 2020 while Yasser Hefny (EGY) picked up the Recognition for Innovation in Sport Award for his contribution to Egypt's virtual laser competition and UIPM's #LaserAllStars.

Hend Essa won Best Female Coach while Mamdouh Welson won the Best Administrative award.



EMPF President Sharif Elerian said: “We as the Modern Pentathlon federation are very proud for the work we do and the phenomenal results we have achieved in UIPM competitions and the progress we have made in the last few years.

“Today I am really happy that the result of our teamwork in the federation is well recognised.”

The ceremony was attended by the EOC President and board members, representatives of the Ministry of Youth and Sports, presidents of other Olympic Federations and athletes.

A message from the International Olympic Committee (IOC) President, Dr Thomas Bach, was televised during the ceremony congratulating the EOC and its Athlete Commission, headed by Aya Medany (chair of the UIPM Athletes Committee and Member of the IOC Athletes Commission).

The Best Education Institute in Sport was awarded to the Arab Academy for Science, Technology, and Maritime Transport – which will host the UIPM 2021 Youth and Junior World Championships in Alexandria (EGY) in February 2021.