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UIPM 2026 PENTATHLON WORLD CUP CAIRO: BELAUD (FRA) AND SHABAN (EGY) SHOW EXPERIENCE IN MEN'S QUALIFICATION



Valentin Belaud of **France** and **Mohanad Shaban** of **Egypt** showed the value of experience as they bossed the Men's Qualification at UIPM 2026 Pentathlon World Cup Cairo.

It was a strong day for both the host nation, with world No.1 Moutaz Mohamed (EGY) also qualifying closely behind Belaud (FRA) in Heat 1, and for the French, with **Diego Lavillat** (FRA) finishing 1st in Heat 3.

Both of the leading nations had six athletes finish in the top 12 of their heats, earning the right to return for Saturday's Semi-finals. **China** led the Asian challenge, qualifying four athletes for the last 36.

Two-time world champion Belaud (FRA) took credit for the highest points tally of the day, with a

booming 1,592 ahead of Mohamed (EGY) and **Csaba Bohm** of **Hungary**.

Lavillat (FRA) scored 1,575 to finish just ahead of local hope and Obstacle specialist **Mohamed El Ashqar** (EGY) in Heat 3, while Shaban (EGY) – winner of the 2023 Pentathlon World Cup Final – eased off as he topped Heat 2 ahead of **Mohamed Hassan** (EGY).

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Daily schedule with stream start times (Central European Summer Time) as follows:

- **Friday April 10:** Women's Semi-final A (11:00); Women's Semi-final B (15:00) | Men's Fencing Seeding Round
- **Saturday April 11:** Men's Semi-final A (11:00); Men's Semi-final B (15:00)
- **Sunday April 12:** Women's Final (10:00), Men's Final (15:00).

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