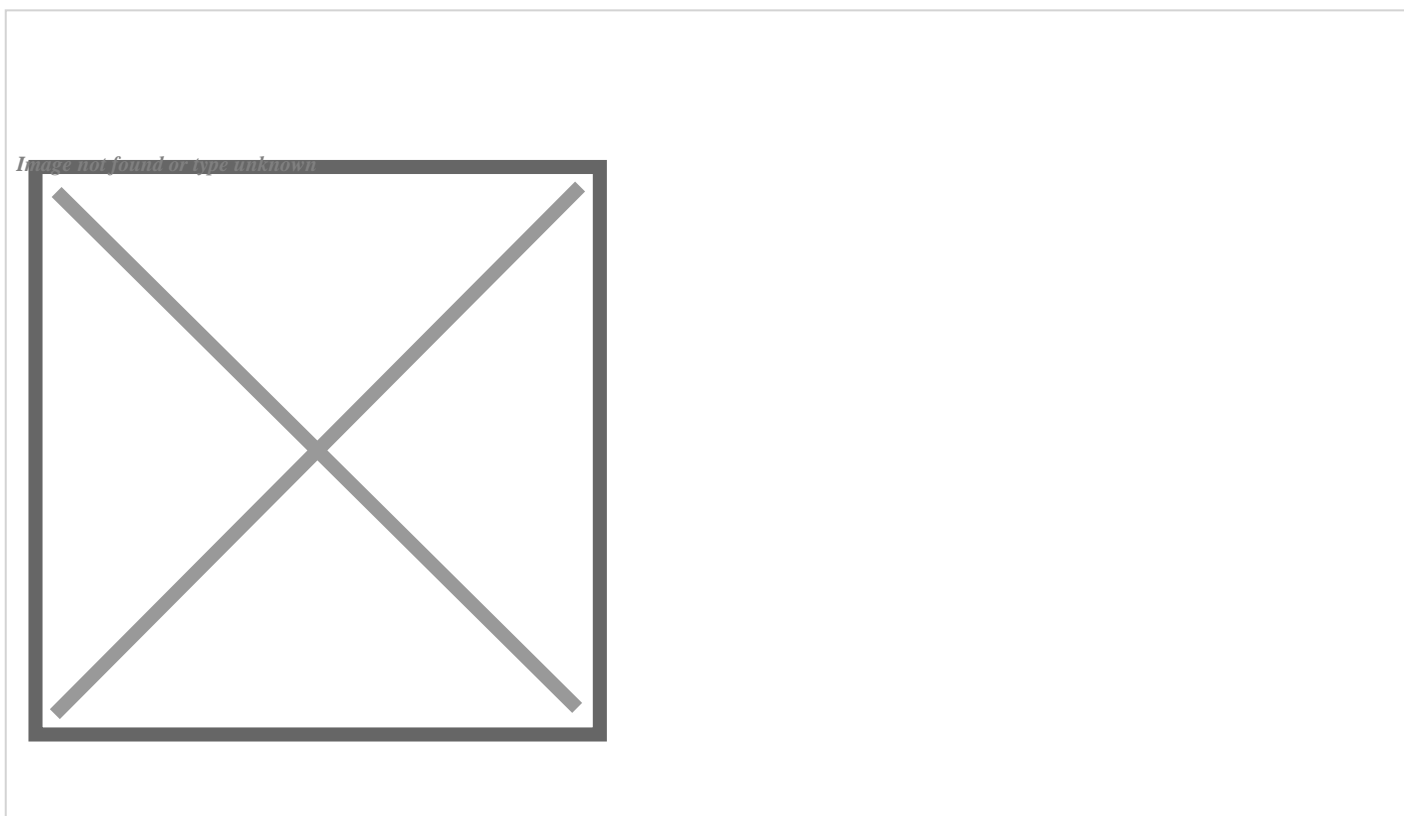


More than 50 countries in the World Athletics Relay Championships



Havana, April 23 (JIT)-- World Athletics announced today the registration lists for the World Relay Championships, Bahamas 2024, with the presence of 893 runners from 54 nations.

The competition will take place on the Caribbean island on May 4 and 5 and will have the 4x100 and 4x400 meter specialties for men as the most attended, both with 32 teams competing for the throne.

In addition, representatives from 30 countries are expected to cheer on the women's 4x100 meter race, the same number as contestants in the mixed 4x400 relay, while there will be 27 candidates for the title in the 4x400 for women.

As for the most relevant figures who have confirmed their presence at the Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium, Noha Lyles stands out, who led the United States quartet to victory in the shortest distance at the 2023 World Athletics Championships in Budapest. In the purpose of maintaining that hegemony he will be accompanied by the Olympic silver medalist in the 200 meters Kenny Bednarek.

One of the greatest resistances will be found by the northerners in the Italian team led by Marcel Jacobs, but also in the Jamaican team, which will have Ackeem Blake among its members.

In the women's section, the Americans are also among the favorites, thanks to a roster of six women that includes four of the members of the champion team in Budapest 2023.

The quartets from Jamaica and Great Britain also stand out in the registration, having climbed to the podium in the most recent world and Olympic events.

In the 4x400 meters for women, the Dutch have the best chance of repeating the reigns established in the Hungarian capital and the World Indoor Athletics Championships in Glasgow 2024, with the extraordinary Femke Bol at the helm.

The fight is expected to be equally fierce in the remaining races, taking into account that places for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games will be distributed in all specialties.

During the initial day of the contest, the two best teams from each series will qualify for the finals scheduled the next day and in the process will ensure presence at the Paris event. The decisive race will also define the distribution of cash prizes, as well as the lanes in which they will begin their foray under the five rings next summer.

The relays without options to fight for medals will also run on the closing day to complete the 14 that will achieve the right to compete in the French event.

The Cuban Athletics Federation recently announced the rosters of the three teams that will represent it in the upcoming universal event in search of Olympic tickets. The greatest hopes fall on the girls of the 4x400 meters, who will appear in defense of the crown won in the Silesia 2021 edition.

The organizers of the Bahamas 2024 World Cup announced that on May 3 they will announce the formation of the initial series, while the starting lineups will be informed hours before each race.

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