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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Members,

It has been a very busy period since the last newsletter, with the first UCI Management Committee meeting of the year, followed by the elective Congresses of three Continental Confederations.

Members of the UCI Management Committee met in Arras (France) on 31st January and 1st February during the 2025 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships, which were organised close by in Liévin. We took some important decisions for our sport, not least in terms of the health of riders by banning repeated inhalation of carbon monoxide. You can read more about this and other decisions in the press release published on the UCI website following the meeting.

After Oceania in January, this month I had the enormous pleasure of attending the Congresses of the Asian Cycling Confederation (ACC, in Bangkok, Thailand, on 6 February), of the African Cycling Confederation (CAC, in Cairo, Egypt, on 16 February) and of the Pan American Cycling Confederation (COPACI, in Panama City, Panama) on 25 February. All three meetings were precious opportunities for me to discuss important matters face-to-face with representatives of different National Federations, all committed to developing our sport in their respective countries.

My congratulations go to Mr. Dato' Amarjit Singh Gill for his election to the head of the ACC, succeeding Mr Osama Ahmed Abdullah Al Shafar, who I sincerely thank for his eight years at the head of the Continental Confederation. I also congratulate Mr Yao Jean-Marie Allah-Kouamé, the new President of the CAC, replacing Dr Mohamed Wagih Azzam to whom I express my gratitude for his 20 years in this role. There is no change at the head of COPACI, and I my very best wishes go to Mr José Manuel Pelaez as he embarks on a new four-year term as President.

I was in Kigali, Rwanda, on 23 February for the official opening of the latest UCI World Cycling Centre (WCC) Regional Development Satellite, which will operate out of Bugesera, Musanze and Rwamagana. The UCI WCC now has a network of 11 satellites worldwide, including two in Africa with the UCI WCC Continental Development Satellite in Paarl, South Africa. More about this in the WCC Corner at the end of this newsletter.

We have already crowned our first 2025 UCI World Champions, for cyclo-cross and for snow bike. The UCI World Championships for these two spectacular winter disciplines were held respectively in Liévin and in Châtel, Haute-Savoie, France.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Mr. Ara Sadoyan on his election as President of the Armenian Cycling Federation, Mr Buyantogtokh Gursoronzon on his election as President of the Mongolian Cycling Federation, Mr Khireddine Barbari on his re-election as President of the Algerian Cycling Federation, Mrs Carolina Poussier Milhau on her election as President of the Andorran Cycling Federation, Mr Cordiano Dagnoni on his re-election as President of the Italian Cycling Federation, and Mr Sang-hyun Lee on his election as President of the Korean Cycling Federation.

On behalf of the UCI, I thank them for their continued efforts in promoting cycling and wish them every success and satisfaction in their respective roles.

It has been a great launch to the year, and we can only look forward to the coming months!

#### **David Lappartient**



UCI President IOC member

## **INFOS AND IMPORTANT DATES**





Registration of UCI Women's Continental Teams and UCI Continental Teams for the 2025 season

A total of 37 UCI Women's Continental Teams and 176 UCI Continental Teams from the five continents have been registered. The list of teams with a compliant file is now published on the UCI website.

We would like to remind all parties that they should consult the UCI website before each event to make the necessary checks. We therefore invite teams and National Federations to ensure that all information relating to teams and their members has been entered correctly on the UCI website and to send an email to road@uci.ch if there is any issue. Only riders and Sport Directors whose names are correctly published on the UCI website will be permitted to participate at

## REMINDER: Participation of UCI Continental Teams and UCI Cyclo-cross Professional Teams in UCI ProSeries events

We remind you that UCI Continental Teams and UCI Cyclo-cross Professional Teams can only be invited and permitted to participate in UCI ProSeries events if they are registered in the reinforced anti-doping programme. This registration was made upon reception of the payment of an additional anti-doping contribution and submission of the online form via the dedicated link by 31 December 2024 (see p.29 of the "2025 UCI Instructions for Registration").

Any team that wishes to participate in UCI ProSeries events but did not proceed with the payment within the deadline will not be authorised to participate in these events during the 2025 season. The list of teams authorised to participate in UCI ProSeries events is available on the UCI website.

UCI ProSeries event organisers can only invite the UCI Continental Teams and UCI Cyclo-cross Professional Teams featuring on this published list.

### REMINDER: Participation rules (art. 2.2.001 of the UCI Regulations)

As per article 2.2.001 of the UCI Regulations, "Riders belonging to a team registered with the UCI with the same paying agent or main partner may not compete in the same race except in the case of an individual event." Similarly, all affiliated club teams with the same paying agent, team representative or main sponsor as a UCI Team must be declared to the relevant National Federation. We invite all National Federations that have not yet informed the UCI to do so as soon as possible by writing to road@uci.ch and to immediately signal any change occurring during the year.

The list of teams concerned by the provisions of article 2.2.001 of the UCI Regulations for the 2025 season is available on the UCI website.

## REMINDER: Mandatory invitations to road races (art. 2.1.007bis, 2.14.020, 2.14.021, 2.14.038, and 2.14.051 of the UCI Regulations)

The UCI Sports Department has published the list of teams to receive mandatory invitations for road events. This is available in the UCI Regulations section of the UCI website.

As per article 2.1.007bis of the UCI Regulations, these provisions concern the UCI WorldTour first and foremost, with UCI ProTeams LOTTO and ISRAEL – PREMIER TECH receiving a mandatory invitation to all the events on the circuit and UNO-X MOBILITY being invited to the one-day races on the UCI WorldTour.

Regarding the UCI Women's WorldTour, in addition to the UCI Women's WorldTeams registered for the 2025 season, EF EDUCATION - OATLY and VOLKERWESSELS CYCLING TEAM, as the two best UCI Women's Continental Teams of the final 2024 UCI World Ranking, must be invited to all UCI Women's WorldTour events by their respective organisers.

As a reminder, these teams must confirm their participation to the respective organisers at the latest 70 days before the event. Failing this, the concerned team will lose its automatic invitation.

Regarding the UCI Continental Circuits events (ME and MU):

Organisers of Class 2 events in the UCI Europe Tour, as well as organisers of Class 1 and Class 2 events in the UCI America Tour, UCI Asia Tour and UCI Oceania Tour must invite the top three UCI Continental Teams of the final 2024 classification by team for the relevant continental circuit of the event;

Organisers of Class 2 events in the UCI Africa Tour must invite the top three national teams of the final 2024 UCI Africa Tour classification by nation.

The teams, together with their contact information, are listed in the "Mandatory Invitations to 2025 events" published on the UCI website.

Finally, regarding the UCI Nations' Cups (Under 23, Men Junior and Women Junior), the organisers must also send an

invitation to the teams or nations in the document as per the provisions of articles 2.14.020, 2.14.021, 2.14.038, and 2.14.051).

**REMINDER: 2025 licences** 

In order to make the rider and staff confirmation process easier at the start of the first races of the year, National Federations are requested to ensure, as soon as possible, that the status of all their licensees registered in UCI Teams, are updated on the UCI DataRide platform for the 2025 season.

**Training compensation fees** 

We would like to remind National Federations that following the introduction of the training compensation fee, they are responsible for sending invoices to professional teams at the time of a rider's first neo-professional contract.

A document listing the riders eligible for registration with 2025 professional teams, together with all the relevant information, has been sent to them. In the event of any doubts or difficulties with this system, the UCI Road Department's riders and teams unit remains at the disposal of the National Federations.

2025 UCI Event Safety Manager Course

From February 17 to 20, 112 UCI Event Safety Managers from race organisations and National Federations participated in the UCI Event Safety Manager online course. The programme covered key aspects of race safety, including the new regulations on yellow cards and an overview of SafeR's work. Following this intensive training, 99 successfully passed the exam and obtained their certification.

A new edition of the course will be offered in 2026. Race organisers and National Federations will be notified in due time with details on registration.

2025 UCI Road World Championships (21-28 September 2025)

The 2025 UCI Road World Championships will take place from 21 to 28 September in Kigali, Rwanda. More information about the event can be found on the UCI website.

**Publications** 

The General Information Bulletin was published on 14 February on the UCI website, in the Official Documents section. This document provides all the details relevant to your planning for the event.

The webinar for National Federations' Chefs de Mission for the 2025 UCI Road World Championships took place on February 26, bringing together 105 participants. This first session provided an overview of the event, covered logistical aspects (travel, customs, accommodation), and offered medical recommendations. The next webinars will take place on:

• 21 May: 13:00 - 14:30 CET

• 27 August: 13:00 - 14:30 CET

**National Federation accommodation** 

National Federations will be provided with one-to-one support from the LOC Accommodation Team (formerly known as TravelZuri), who will attend in their preparation to attend the 2025 UCI Road World Championships.

Step 1: National Federations to contact the LOC Accommodation Team:

• Email: accommodation@ucikigali2025.rw

• Phone: +250 789 710 038

Step 2: National Federations to provide booking details:

- Number of rooms
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- Room preferences
- Additional needs
- · Duration of stay.

Step 3: Follow-up, confirmation and support by the LOC Accommodation Team.

### **UCI Junior Conference / UCI Seminar for National Federation**

Please note that these meetings will not be held during the 2025 UCI Road World Championships.

If you have any questions, please contact rwc@uci.ch.



### 2025 UCI Track Nations Cup (14-16 March 2025)

The registration period for the 2025 UCI Track Nations Cup that will be held in Konya, Türkiye from 14 to 16 March 2025 is now over. The preliminary list of entries as well as all other information about the competition can be found on the UCI website.

### 2025 UCI Junior Track World Championships (20-24 August 2025)

The 2025 UCI Junior Track World Championships will take place in Apeldoorn, the Netherlands, from 20 to 24 August 2025. The information bulletin, accommodation booking document and competition programme are available on the UCI website.

### MOUNTAIN BIKE 🅸

### REMINDER: 2025 UCI Mountain Bike World Championships (30 August – 14 September 2025)

The 2025 UCI Mountain Bike World Championships will take place from 30 August to 14 September in Valais, Switzerland. More information about the event can be found on the UCI website.

### **REMINDER: 2025 Continental Series**

The 2025 Continental Series calendar is now published on the UCI website. The introduction of the Continental Series on the UCI Mountain Bike International Calendar is crucial for the development of the discipline worldwide. This new series will be used as a pathway to the UCI Mountain Bike World Cup, a demonstration of its importance on the mountain bike scene for riders but also for organisers, National Federations, Continental Confederations and the UCI.

### REMINDER: 2025 WHOOP UCI Mountain Bike World Series

The 2025 WHOOP UCI Mountain Bike World Series calendar has been approved by the UCI Management Committee. More information about the series can be found on the UCI website.

### **REMINDER: 2025 UCI Mountain Bike International Calendar**

The 2025 UCI Mountain Bike International Calendar has been approved by the UCI Management Committee and is published on the UCI website.

### REMINDER: 2025 amendments to the UCI Mountain Bike Regulations

The UCI, in collaboration with Warner Bros. Discovery, worked on key developments for the mountain bike discipline, especially concerning UCI MTB Teams and the WHOOP UCI Mountain Bike World Series. The changes for 2025 were approved by the UCI Management Committee and the updated UCI Mountain Bike Regulations are now published on the UCI website.

The list of 2025 UCI Mountain Bike Teams has been approved by the UCI Management Committee and is published on the UCI website.

### BMX RACING &

### 2025 UCI BMX Racing World Championships (28 July - 3 August 2025)

The 2025 UCI BMX Racing World Championships (including Challenge and Masters categories) will be held in Copenhagen (DEN). Information is published on the UCI website and currently includes:

- Championship quota
- · Rider registration deadlines
- · Competition Guide.

It is recommended that National Federations return to the web page (under BMX Racing, 2025 UCI BMX Racing World Championships) on a regular basis to check for updates and further information.

#### **UCI INTERNATIONAL ELITE NUMBERS**

The UCI International Elite Numbers have been finalised and published on the UCI website.

The numbers that have been allocated are to be used by the riders from 1 February 2025 until 31 December 2028.

The rules regarding the use of UCI International Elite numbers can be found in section VI, article 6.1.097 of the UCI Regulations.

### BMX FREESTYLE 39

### 2025 UCI Urban Cycling World Championships (4-8 November 2025)

The 2025 UCI Urban Cycling World Championships will take place in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. The landing page with all the information can be found on the UCI website here.

### 2025 UCI BMX Freestyle World Cup

Two stops of the 2025 UCI BMX Freestyle World Cup have been confirmed.

Confirmed stops for 2025:

- UCI BMX Freestyle World Cup Montpellier, France, 28 May 1 June 2025
- UCI BMX Freestyle World Cup Sakai, Japan, 27-30 November 2025

### First HC category BMX Freestyle competition

The Urban Sessions in Brussels, Belgium, has been confirmed as a Hors Class category event. It will take place on 4-6 July 2025.

### 2025 event registration

Registration for Park and Flatland competitions in the CN, C2, C1 categories for 2025 is still open. The annual C1 event at the UCI World Cycling Centre (WCC) in Aigle, Switzerland, will take place on 9 August with the Swiss National BMX Freestyle Park Championships happening on the evening of 8 August. The Technical Guide for the C1 event can be found on the WCC website.

### **Updated rulebook for 2025**

The updated UCI Regulations for BMX Freestyle in 2025 can be found here.

### CYCLO-CROSS ⋘

### 2025 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships

The 2025 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships took place in Liévin from 31 January to 2 February 2025.

Results are available on the UCI website.

### 2025-2026 UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup calendar

The 2025-2026 UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup calendar is available on the UCI website.



### 2025 UCI Urban Cycling World Championships (4-8 November 2025)

The 2025 UCI Urban Cycling World Championships, which include trials, will take place from 4 to 8 of November in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. More information about the event can be found on the UCI website.

### 2025 UCI Trials World Cup

The online registration deadlines are already published on the UCI website. Information related to the 2025 UCI Trials World Cup is regularly published on the the UCI website.

### **REMINDER: 2025 National Championships**

Following the amendment to the UCI Regulations regarding the implementation of the Women Junior category (article 7.1.002), we inform you that a competition for the Women Junior category can be held during the 2025 National Championships and will award UCI points. If you plan to organise a competition for the Women Junior category, please inform us by sending an email to offroad@uci.ch.

#### **REMINDER: 2025 UCI Trials International Calendar**

National Federations and organisers of international events are reminded that the UCI is accepting applications for the 2025 UCI Trials International Calendar. We also encourage National Federations to register their trials National Championships on the mandatory date set on 28-29 June 2025. For any information regarding how to register your event, please email offroad@uci.ch.

The updated UCI Trials International Events Organisation Guide is now available here.

### REMINDER: 2026 UCI Trials World Cup - open application

National Federations and organisers of international events are reminded that the UCI is currently seeking bids for the 2026 UCI Trials World Cup.

• Download the UCI Trials World Cup information for organisers here.

For any information regarding how to bid, please email offroad@uci.ch.

### REMINDER: 2027 UCI Trials World Youth Games – open application

National Federations and organisers of international events are reminded that the UCI is currently seeking bids for the 2027 UCI Trials World Youth Games.

• Download the UCI Trials World Youth Games information for organisers here.

For any information regarding how to bid, please email offroad@uci.ch.

### PARA-CYCLING 炎

### Para-cycling track training camp

The UCI, in collaboration with the UCI World Cycling Centre (WCC), will host a para-cycling track training camp from 29 June to 6 July at the centre in Aigle, Switzerland. The training camp is aimed at B- and C-class athletes wishing to gain more experience in track cycling. For further information, please contact para@uci.ch. Please note that applications are due by 23 March 2025.

### 2025 Para-cycling Road World Cup Ostend – Bruges, Belgium (1-4 May 2025)

Round 1 of the 2025 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup will take place from 1 to 4 May in Belgium: in Ostend for time trial events and Bruges for the road races and team relay.

#### Classification dates

• 27 – 29 April (adaptation checks 30 April).

#### Registration deadlines

National Federations and/or National Paralympic Committees will be able to register their athletes and staff on the dedicated platform Regonline.

- Opening of registrations: 10 March 2025
- · Closing of registrations: 24 March 2025.

### 2025 Para-cycling Road World Cup Maniago, Italy (15-18 May 2025)

Round 2 of the UCI Para-cycling World Cup will take place from 15 to 18 May in Maniago, Italy.

### Classification dates

• 12 - 13 May (adaptation checks 14 May).

#### Registration deadlines

National Federations and/or National Paralympic Committees will be able to register their athletes and staff on the dedicated platform Regonline.

- · Opening of registrations: 25 March 2025
- Closing of registrations: 9 April 2025

### INDOOR CYCLING 🔊

### 2025 UCI Artistic Cycling World Cup, Round 1 (1 March 2025)

The information bulletin for the first round of the 2025 UCI Artistic Cycling World Cup that will take place in Praha, Czechia on 1 March 2025 is available on the UCI website.

### 2025 UCI Cycle-ball World Cup – team registration

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The general information document for the 2025 UCI Cycle-ball World Cup, including the quota allocations for nations to register their teams, is now available on the UCI website.

Following this, registration for cycle-ball teams, using the new registration form, is now open. National Federations can

register their cycle-ball teams using the link below.

#### 2025 UCI CYCLE-BALL WORLD CUP - TEAM REGISTRATION FORM

We kindly remind you that the registration deadline is 3 March 2025.

### 2025 UCI Indoor Cycling World Championships (7-9 November 2025)

The 2025 UCI Indoor Cycling World Championships will be held in Göppingen, Germany, from 7 to 9 November 2025. Tickets are already available on the official competition website.

## **FORMATION**



### PARA-CYCLING ₼

#### Classification education

The UCI will host a National Classifiers training course at its headquarters in Aigle, Switzerland, on 4-5 July. You will find further information on the UCI website. Any National Federation or person interested may submit an application for the training course or contact classification@uci.ch for more information. Please note that applications are due by 23 March 2025.

## **CYCLING INTEGRITY**



### CLEAN CYCLING

### REVEAL – International Testing Agency's reporting platform



Have you ever seen, heard, experienced, or suspected any doping offence and did not know how and to whom you should report it? REVEAL is a platform developed by the International Testing Agency (ITA) that helps you to do so. It offers the sport community the opportunity to report confidentially and anonymously on a secured platform any doping offences or suspicions of doping offences to the ITA.

Every piece of information is crucial in the fight for a clean sport, and helps us to uncover doping. We count on you to play your part and report any anti-doping concern.

Why and how to promote REVEAL? By promoting REVEAL on your website, you contribute to a clean sport and raise awareness about the importance of reporting to all your members. To make sure they know about the possibility of sharing information through REVEAL, we strongly encourage you to place a promotional banner on your website. To this end, please make sure it features the correct link: <a href="https://www.reveal.sport">https://www.reveal.sport</a>.

ITA Webinar Series – Ask the Expert: Intelligence & Investigations



The UCI is pleased to inform you that the educational webinar "Ask the Expert: Intelligence & Investigations" organised by the International Testing Agency (ITA) is available on their YouTube Channel.

This first webinar of 2025 features Michael King, ITA Intelligence & Investigation Manager, providing insights into Intelligence & Investigations along with practical applications.

The UCI strongly encourages you and your members to watch this webinar.

## **CYCLING FOR ALL**



### 2025 UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum

The seventh edition of the UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum, organised by the UCI and the **City of Copenhagen** in collaboration with **Sport Event Denmark** and **Wonderful Copenhagen** will take place on 20-21 June 2025 in one of the leading cycling cities of the world: Copenhagen, Denmark.

This edition of the UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum will work double duty as the Copenhagen Cycling Summit, bringing together an even broader range of experts, policymakers, and industry leaders to discuss the future of cycling. The main topics of the programme will be:

- · Policy goals for cycling
- · Funding and capacity building
- · Enhancing recreational cycling with professional riders
- · The cycling industry

The 2025 UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum x Copenhagen Cycling Summit will be hosted in the context of the first edition of Copenhagen Sprint, a new UCI WorldTour race taking place on 21-22 June 2025.

Save the date now in your calendar and please contact us at cyclingforall@uci.ch if you have ideas or projects you wish to share during the Forum!

### 2025 UCI Cycling for All & Sustainability Awards

The UCI has launched its call for applications for the second annual UCI Cycling for All & Sustainability Awards. Candidates have until 15 April to apply for one of the 2025 awards.

First organised in 2024, these awards recognise outstanding initiatives implemented by members of the cycling family (including professional riders, teams, National Federations, event organisers and UCI Bike Cities and Regions) that have positive social and environmental impact, promote active mobility and encourage everyday cycling.

In 2025, awards will again be presented in the four established categories:

- UCI Cycling for All award: for a cycling initiative with significant social impact.
- UCI Climate Action award: for a cycling initiative with positive environmental impact.
- UCI Bike City award: for the most innovative project submitted by UCI Bike Cities and Regions.
- UCI Rainbow award: a special discretionary award selected by the jury out of all submissions.

Further details regarding the awards, including application criteria and links to the online application forms, are available on the UCI website.

Applicants are requested to fill in the relevant online questionnaire(s) by **Tuesday 15 April 2025**. The expert jury will then select the winners in the four categories. The UCI will announce the award winners during the 2025 UCI Mobility & Bike City Forum in Copenhagen, Denmark.





### **REMINDER: UCI MedResources**

A reminder of the QR code that has been implemented (see below), providing access to the MedResources application.



# **SPOTLIGHT**



### Gravel and Gran Fondo: mass participation opportunities for cyclists worldwide

Gaining in size and momentum every year, the UCI Gran Fondo World Series and UCI Gravel World Series see thousands of people compete in different events all over the world, with the best in each age group qualifying for the respective UCI World Championships at the end of the season.

The first race of 2025 in the Gravel World Series took place this month in Spain: the Castellon Gravel Race in Llucena, Castellon.

Two events have already been raced this year in the UCI Gran Fondo World Series: the UCI Gran Fondo Jordan Dead Sea (Jordan) and the Spinneys Dubai 92 Cycle Challenge in Dubai (United Arab Emirates).

Read more about these two popular mass participation series in these articles published on the UCI website:

**UCI Gravel World Series** 

**UCI Gran Fondo World Series** 

# **UCI WCC'S CORNER**



### UCI WCC Regional Development Satellite opens in Rwanda

The UCI World Cycling Centre (WCC) officially opened a UCI WCC Regional Development Satellite in Rwanda this month.

The inauguration took place in the Rwandan capital of Kigali just before the start of the prologue of the 2025 Tour du Rwanda. The satellite's training and education activities will take place at three sites: Bugesera, Musanze and Rwamagana.

Read more in the press release published on the UCI website.

## **PRESS RELEASES**



- UCI declaration regarding the situation in Rwanda 31 January 2025
- The UCI bans repeated inhalation of carbon monoxide, and introduces measures to ensure participation of best teams in top-tier road events - 1 February 2025
- The UCI publishes the list of 2025 UCI teams for mountain bike and calls for applications from teams wishing to obtain a wild card to join the 1st division - 4 February 2025
- The UCI launches the 2025 HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup 4 February 2025
- Record participation announced for the UCI Snow Bike World Championships 6 February 2025
- UCI statement regarding two incidents involving motor vehicles at l'Étoile de Bessèges Tour du Gard 7 February
- Inauguration of UCI WCC Regional Development Satellite in Rwanda 24 February 2024
- The 2025 UCI Gravel World Championships will not take place in Nice 25 February 2025
- Call for applications for the second annual UCI Cycling for All & Sustainability Awards 26 February 2025
- Publication of list of UCI Mountain Bike World Series Teams 27 February 2025

















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