



Monaco, 13 August 2021

To: WORLD ATHLETICS MEMBER FEDERATIONS

Dear all,

Re: Postponement of the 2021 World Mountain and Trail Running Championships

After discussion with our Thai colleagues from the Local Organising Committee, we have agreed that we must make the difficult decision to postpone the first World Mountain and Trail Running Championships scheduled for - 11th to the 14th November 2021.

The decision was taken after consideration of the current uncertain situation regarding the public health issues surrounding Covid-19 in not only Thailand but also our own countries which may have affected the health and safety of our athletes and hosts.

Currently we are planning to reschedule the event for the second weekend of February 2022, when the climatic conditions are similar. However, the confirmation of the date remains subject to monitoring the Covid-19 situation in the next few months. A final decision will be taken by the end of October 2021 on whether postponing to February 2022 is still feasible or to move to November 2022.

If we are able to hold the Championships in February 2022, then eligibility for the Junior Up and Down event will remain the same as for November 2021: athletes must be aged 16-19 on 31 December 2020.

An Online Info Session will take place on Monday, 16th August, 10am CET, to provide Member Federations with more information, including possible dates and decision deadlines. You can join this meeting by [following this link](#).

Kind regards,

Jon Ridgeon
Chief Executive Officer