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Francine NIYONSABA (BDI)

5000m Women - Winner 14:28,98

I stayed behind most of the race, this was my tactics, I am still learning after switching from 800m to longer distances. I did what I had to do. We love to see the people around here, cheering for us. This race was amazing. I love challenges. I have a lot of resilience and determination. Of course, I will celebrate this victory here in Zurich. I am happy to compete here again after three years. I will relax starting tomorrow although I have some more races.

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Hellen OBIRI (KEN)

5000m Women - Second 14:29,68

I am not disappointed, I am quite happy. This race was like a championship. It was a new experience, we did not know where we can start to kick and to accelerate etc. It was the first event like this. It was a memorable moment for me. The race was hard for me, I tried to kick and did my best but Francine is a former 800m runner. She had a stronger kick.

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Ryan CROUSER (USA)

Shot Put Men - Winner MR 22.67m

This meeting record is a big one for me. This is my first Diamond League victory. I am honoured to be here and come out with a victory. I am so honoured and grateful to do this as my job. I have had a difficult year. I am very excited about this Diamond League Title. I won two Olympic gold medals and have the world record, but only today I won the Diamond League Trophy. This is the best year of my career. And this venue is a special place, it is a fantastic venue. I had a little bit of a struggle early. I had to get the tone back down. When Tom Walsh broke the ring, it was good for me because I could take a breath and then execute really well. Events like this bring the shot put to the people and I love that. I love great events like this, you can see and feel the energy of the crowd. This is a perfect evening. I am so happy and honoured to compete around the world.

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Maggie EWEN (USA)

Shot Put Women - Winner 19.41m SB

I think I am still in shock. I am super excited. I do not know what to say. It was a crazy and rough year. I did not make it to the Olympics. At my very first throw I was very nervous, but then everything came together so well!

I love this meeting, I love the crowd and the different atmosphere. My season had ups and downs but I kept working and kept believing and then you get wonderful moments like this one.

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Mariya LASITSKENE (ANA)

High Jump Women - Winner 2.05m WL, MR

It is an unbelievable feeling. Jumping with spectators is fantastic. Thank you so much for making it possible. I am so happy about the meeting record, I am so lucky here in Switzerland. The venue here is difficult and fantastic at the same time - difficult because of the track and fantastic because of the spectators. Yet, for some attempts I asked them to be quite because I needed to concentrate. This season was a really fantastic one.

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Thobias MONTLER (SWE)

Long Jump Men - Winner 8.17m

This victory feels amazing, that was the goal for today and managing to achieve it is just amazing. The competition was a bit difficult with the track. I wanted more - but...

I jumped 8.17m in my last attempt but without special emotions. Now I am so happy. The competition was really even - you know that others can always respond to you, even better - that is the competition. It is my first time to compete in the city, outside the stadium, so of course, I like it! I had a great season with great jumps.

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Berihu AREGAWI (ETH)

5000m Men - Winner 12:58,65

It was a really good performance, a really good race. The pace maker did a great job. The time was excellent, I did not expect such a fast time, such a PB. I am very happy. This venue in the city is good. It is the first time I did this and it was wonderful. Yet, the curves were a bit difficult for me.

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Ivana ŠPANOVIC (SRB)

Long Jump Women - Winner 6.96m

This is pretty amazing, I missed this feeling. I am happy that I managed to win the Diamond League Trophy for the third time - after all that I have been through in the last two years. I approached the competition with caution. Even if this meant that I had to catch the leader in my sixth attempt. I am happy that I produced the 6.96m in the last attempt. I did not jump on this kind of surface for a year and it was difficult for me. My winning mark of 6.96m is my second best result this year. Winning after 2020 and after this winter when I did not know if I could jump during such a long season and finish it in September. So finishing on this level is a good sign for next year. Now I just want to relax, enjoy my trophy and be happy that I am healthy.

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