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### **ISSF World Cup Baku day-3: Jin claims gold on his road to Rio, People's Republic of China climbs the medals standings**

*Korea's Jin Jongoh claimed a world cup gold in Baku, today, on his race for an historical result in Rio de Janeiro. The People's Republic of China secured three medals, climbing atop of the intermediate world ranking of the competition.*

The three-time Olympic Champion Jin Jongoh of the Republic of Korea keeps on piling up world cup medals, on his road to Rio 2016, where he will try to write a new page of the shooting sport history by becoming the first athlete to win four individual Olympic titles.

The Korean shooter finished indeed atop of the podium at today's 50m Pistol Men Final, at the ISSF World Cup in Baku (AZE), the last world-scale shooting event before the Games.

Jin - the current world record holder - scored 565 points in the qualifications, and then showed his great skills in the final, marking 192.4 points, and finishing almost 5 points ahead of his opponents. Today's turned out to be his third world cup medal of the season out of four stages. Jin had indeed secured a silver at the pre-Olympic world cup in Rio de Janeiro, as well as a Bronze at the following world cup stage in Munich. This brings his personal world cup counter up to 23 medals.

The Korean champion did not leave many chances to his rivals. The 2015 ISSF World Cup title holder Zheng Bowen, 20, ranked 13th in the world, finished in second place, pocketing the silver medal with 187.9 points, 4.5 points behind the winner, after firing a spine-chilling 6.3 on his 18th shot. Jin's teammate, Daemyung Lee, finished far behind, collecting today's Bronze with 167.1 points.

The People's Republic of China triumphed at the following 10m Air Rifle Women Final. After 6 out of 15 events conducted, the Chinese team finally secured its first gold, thanks to the 25-year old rifle shooter Du Bei, and celebrated the silver medal won by Shi Mengyao, 18.

Du had qualified for the final match with 417.5 points, and climbed up the scoreboard with 208.6 points, finishing atop of the eight-finalist pack with 3 tenths of margin on her teammate Shi. The 18-year old silver medalist scored 208.3 points, establishing a new junior final world record, shuttering the 207.9 record set by Iran's Najmeh Khedmati at the 2014 Asian Games. Athletes in the junior class can indeed score junior records also while competing in senior events, according to the ISSF Rules. Bronze went to Park Hae Mi of the Republic of Korea, a 26-year old first-time world cup finalist, with 185.1 points.

Thanks to Du's and Shi's medals, and to the silver won by their teammate Zhang Bowen at this

morning's 50m Pistol Men event, the People's Republic of China bounced atop of the intermediate medals standings of the ISSF World Cup in Baku within a couple of hours, with one gold and two silver medals, ahead of the Republic of Korea, second with 1 gold and two bronzes.

The world cup stage, which sees 640 athletes from 80 nations competing from the 20th through the 29th of June, will continue tomorrow with three medal events. Day-4 will be opened by the men's 10m Air Pistol at 11.30 AM (GMT+4), and will continue with the women's 25m Pistol final at 1.30 PM. The Double Trap Men semi-final and medal matches will close the competition day at 4.15 PM.

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Results: <http://goo.gl/CcCJuh>

Events photos: <https://goo.gl/zTV36y>

Events videos: <https://www.youtube.com/issfchannel>

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**Notes for the editors:**

The International Shooting Sport Federation is the governing body of the Olympic Shooting events, and it has over 160 affiliated National Federations worldwide. Shooting is an Olympic sport since the very first edition of the modern Olympic Games, Athens 1896. Find out more about the International Shooting Sport Federation at [www.issf-sports.org](http://www.issf-sports.org).

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