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## ISSF Press Release N. 07/2018 China and France claim two medals each on day 6 at the ISSF World Cup in Guadalajara

Guadalajara (MEX), 8 March 2018 - Two final were contested during day 6 at the ISSF World Cup Stage 1 in Guadalajara, taking place at the Club Cinegetico Jalisciense until March 11th.

#### 50m Rifle 3 Positions Women

In the opening event, the women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions final, the 2014 Junior World Champion in this event secured the first ISSF World Cup medal of her career.

Indeed, People's Republic of China's 22-year-old Pei Ruijiao took gold at the end of a tight duel with India's Anjum Moudgil, who finished with the silver medal around her neck. The Chinese shooter, who was initially leading the match at the end of the kneeling phase, sealed the win with a consistent performance in the standing position, overtaking Moudgil and finishing with 455.4 points.

The Indian 24-year-old, who temporarily took the lead at the end of the prone position, concluded with 454.2 points.

The podium was completed by another Chinese shooter — Sun Ting — who secured the bronze medal and finished with 442.2 points.

Previous to the final, Pei Ruijiao had also set a new Qualification World Record with 1178 points.

Sun was followed by Austria's 30-year-old Franziska Peer and by Germany's current leader of the World Ranking in this event Jolyn Beer (23), who respectively took 4th place with 430.7 points and 5th with 421.4.

Slovenian athlete Ziva Dvorsak (26) entered her second final in Guadalajara, besting the 8th place she nailed in the Air Rifle event and finishing 6th with 410.5 points.

At the 40th-shot mark, the 7th and 8th positions were determined, and Beate Koestel and Zhao Huixin were eliminated. The German 33-year-old — participating in her first final since 2006 — placed 7th with 399.9 points, while the Chinese 29-year-old finished in 8th place with 399.3.

#### 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men

A French derby characterized the men's 25m Rapid Fire Pistol final, as 26-year-old Clement Bessaguet and 22-year-old Jean Quiquampoix battled for most of the match, trading places three times before Bessaguet emerged as the gold medal winner with 29 hits.

Quiquampoix — silver medalist in this event at Rio 2016 — closed his match with a disappointing 2-hit series, finishing with 28 hits and securing the fifth World Cup medal of his career.

Differently from what happened at the 2016 Olympics, Quiquampoix preceded Germany's Christian Reitz — the reigning Olympic Champion — who took bronze with 24 hits. It's the second World Cup medal won by the German 30-year-old in Guadalajara, who also took silver five days ago in the men's 10m Air Pistol event.

Despite placing all of its three participants in the final, the People's Republic of China missed the podium with all of them taking 4th, 5th and 6th position.

28-year-old Li Yuehong — bronze medalist at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, who previously signed the highest qualification score with 586 points — took 4th place with 20 hits, followed by 21-year-old Lin Junmin, who placed 5th with 6 hits in his second World Cup participation.

The 6th place was then taken by first-time participant Yao Zhaonan (22) with 11 hits.

The ISSF World Cup Stage 1 in Guadalajara (MEX) will continue on Saturday with three more finals: the 50m Rifle 3 Positions Men, scheduled at 12:45 pm (UTC-6:00), the 25m Pistol Women, scheduled at 2:30 pm, and the Skeet Women, taking place at 5:00 pm.

Both finals will be streamed live on the <u>ISSF website</u>, on the Federation's <u>Livestream channel</u>, on its official <u>Facebook page</u> and on the <u>Olympic Channel</u>.

Live results of the competitions, news and updates will be available on <a href="www.issf-sports.org">www.issf-sports.org</a> and on all ISSF social media platforms: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, Weibo and Youku.

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For the 50m Rifle 3 Positions Women complete results <u>click here</u>.

For the 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men complete results click here.

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#### Notes for the editors:

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