

Dear Masters Athletes, dear Members

It is with great sadness the WMA Council and the Edmonton LOC inform you that the World Masters Athletics Indoor Championships that were set to take place in Edmonton/Canada in March of 2023, will now not take place in Edmonton. Athletics Alberta, Explore Edmonton, and the City of Edmonton on one side and the WMA Council on the other tried hard to make the event happen. Athletics Alberta has officially informed us that they were making the responsible decision to cancel the event in Edmonton.

WMA Council deeply regrets the cancellation but we have to accept that, due to the Corona pandemic and the diminished local financial support, our event will not be able to move forward in Edmonton. It is a consequence of several factors including the long-term effects of the pandemic, political unrest in Eastern Europe and financial constraints. We are aware that many athletes were looking forward to going to Edmonton and had planned vacations in Canada in addition to competitions. Ultimately the financial risk was far too great to overcome.

WMA recognizes how important WMA Championships are to you. Therefore, we will immediately open the bidding process for a new venue for 2023 immediately. WMA will actively work with bidders to secure a replacement as soon as possible. Any organization interested in hosting our 2023 Indoor World Championship should email the WMA Secretary: wmasec16@gmail.com.