

WORLD-CLASS ELITE RUNNERS JOIN 2019 ADNOC ABU DHABI MARATHON

- ADNOC Abu Dhabi Marathon 2018 winner, Marius Kipserem, sets sights on second record title
- International athletes Dickson Chumba, Vivian Kiplagat and Eunice Chumba to run ADNOC Abu Dhabi Marathon 2019
- Over 16,000 participants have already signed up for the race
- Mobile App available now on the Apple store ([link](#)) or Google Play ([link](#)).
- Event village opened earlier this week on December 2nd
- Registration deadline extended to midnight tonight

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates – December 04th, 2019: The UAE capital's premier sporting event, the ADNOC Abu Dhabi Marathon, has revealed the profiles of some of the world's most talented runners participating in its second edition on Friday, December 6th, 2019.

H.E Aref Al Awani, General Secretary of Abu Dhabi Sports Council said: "ADNOC Abu Dhabi Marathon proved in its inaugural race last year to be the ideal competition field for top runners from all around the world. This year, we have invited even more record holders to the capital to participate in our world-class marathon."

An enticing head-to-head has been announced in the men's race as last year's winner Marius Kipserem (Ken) will lead the field alongside Dickson Chumba (Ken) who won last year's Tokyo Marathon. In the female category, elite runners will include Eunice Chumba (Bah), who placed second in last year's ADNOC Abu Dhabi Marathon, and, Vivian Kiplagat (Ken) who won the Milano Marathon last spring with a new personal best.

The top six elite athletes were present at a press conference on December 4th, which was followed by a meet and greet session in the event village where visitors learnt more about their achievements.

In celebration of the UAE's National Day, the Event Village opened its doors on December 2nd where visitors have experienced a variety of cultural and sporting entertainment which will continue up until the day of the race. The attractions include a UAE national parade, Ayallah dancers and training sessions hosted by Fitness First. The Event Village is open from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm every day from December 2nd to December 5th, and will welcome visitors from 5:00 am until 1:00 pm on December 6th.

Over 16,000 participants have already signed up for the marathon this month with registration set to close at midnight on December 4th.



In the United Arab Emirates and the whole MENA region, the host broadcaster Abu Dhabi Media will provide the full live TV coverage of the event, with Arabic commentary on Abu Dhabi Sports Channel 1 and English commentary on Abu Dhabi Sports Channel 2. Building up to race day, a special live show will air at 19:00 on the marathon's eve on Abu Dhabi Sports Channel 1 while pre-race and post-race studio shows on the day of the race will start from 05:30. A 52-minute highlights magazine will also be aired at 17:00 on Abu Dhabi Sports Channel 2.

To stay updated, you can download ADNOC Abu Dhabi Marathon App on either Apple store ([link](#)) or Google Play ([link](#)).

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Images:

Image 1: Elite runners participating in ADNOC Abu Dhabi Marathon 2019 – (L-R) Lucas Rotich, Marius Kipserem, Abrha Milaw, Caroline Kilel, Vivian Kiplagat and Eunice Chumba

Image 2: Elite runners participating in ADNOC Abu Dhabi Marathon 2019 – (L-R) Lucas Rotich, Caroline Kilel, Marius Kipserem, Abrha Milaw, Eunice Chumba and Vivian Kiplagat

Image 3: (L-R) Federico Rosa, Athletes Technical Supervisor, Suhail Al Areef, Events Director at Abu Dhabi Sport Council and Andrea Trabuo, Race Director

Image 4: Suhail Al Areef, Events Director at Abu Dhabi Sport Council with the elite runners

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Abu Dhabi Sports Council (ADSC) was established in 2006 by His Highness Sheikh Mohamed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Abu Dhabi Crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces.

ADSC is aligned to the emirate's leadership vision to develop sport and youth activities. The Council promotes an effective, emirate-wide sports calendar that stimulates the desire to participate in quality sports among all Abu Dhabi residents and helps the talented and motivated reach their sporting potential.





The Council also hosts and supports the staging of international world-class sporting events. These include: the annual Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship presented by EGA; the Formula 1™ Etihad Airways Abu Dhabi Grand Prix; the ITU World Triathlon Series; both the Abu Dhabi and Gary Player Invitationals; the Fatima Bint Mubarak Ladies Open on the Ladies European Tour, the Red Bull Air Race; the Mubadala World Tennis Championship; the 2017 and 2018 FIFA Club World Cups; the 2019 AFC Asian Cup UAE, the UCI WorldTour event, and the UAE Tour.

We at ADSC firmly believe that sporting events deliver a host of benefits for the emirate and its residents. These span improved health and wellness, the building of community spirit, the discovering of local talent and the delivery of international exposure of the emirate as a world-class sporting events hub.

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