

International Stars at IDM Swim 2019 - Paralympic Top Sport with Record Guarantee



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Top athletes are gathering in Berlin again this year for one of the grand Para Sport Events worldwide: The International German Swim Championships for People with Disabilities 2019 (IDM Swim 2019) are taking place in Berlin's "Schwimm- und Sprunghalle im Europasportpark" (SSE Berlin) from June 6th to June 9th.

The four-day competition, which is happening for the 20th time in Berlin this year, is the final station of the World Para Swimming Series and the last chance to get a ticket for this year's World Cup in London for a lot of athletes.

Around 550 athletes from over 50 nations are going to start in two sessions every day. The "fast Berlin water" at the SSE has been providing an ideal environment for records in past years. Top Swimmer Ihar Boki (BLR), who is starting again this year, collected five new world records alone at IDM last year.

Besides Boki other international stars, such as Ellie Simmonds (GB) and Aurelie Rivard (CAN) have announced their participation. There are at least 50 swimmers, who have been listed on places one, two and three within the world rankings 2018 starting in Berlin this year. Swimmers from the German national team, including Elena Krawzow (PSC Berlin), Gina Böttcher (SC Potsdam) and Verena Schott (BPRSV Cottbus) are planning to swim top times at this home scenery. Moreover, IDM has become a meeting point for young athletes. This is how the event becomes more and more of a competitive exhibition of future Paralympians.

Özcan Mutlu, president of the Disabled and Rehabilitation Sports Association, explains: "IDM Swim has become a distinguished international swimming competition and is an integral part of the sports metropolis Berlin. We would like to thank the Senate for their support and and we are delighted to be able to make a contribution to inclusion in the capital with this wonderful Para sports event."

If you would like to experience top Paralympic swimming with the prospect of many world records up close, you can buy tickets on the website idm-schwimmen.de or follow the livestream from the start of the competition.



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