



MATTHEW HUGHES CANADA

Three words that describe you best:

**DEDICATED
DRIVEN
PASSIONATE**

Your objective as a Candidate in one sentence:

To provide as much transparency as possible to the athletes and fans on the decision making and goings-on of World Athletics.

Why I am running for the election:

As someone who has competed in the sport of athletics their entire life, from running cross country in grade 3, to making my first world junior team in 2007, to then competing in the senior ranks for a decade plus, I am extremely invested in this sport and its continued growth worldwide. In 2011, when I made my first World Championship team, to now, having recently retired from competitive track and field, I've witnessed the good, the bad, and most importantly, the ugly side of our sport.

The initiation of the Athletes' Commission has been one of the most positive things to happen in a long time. Having current and past athletes a part of major decisions in our sport is integral to keeping our sport moving in an honest direction. As athletes, we are all stakeholders in our sport.

As a camper, I was always taught to leave your campsite better than you found it, and I'll be dated if I don't leave this sport in a better place than it was when I started. I think it's imperative that the Athletes' Commission continues to provide transparency on the decision making of World Athletics to make our sport better for the future generations.



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