

Athletic season 2023

If any moment showed that Qatar's Mutaz Barshim is ready to win a fourth consecutive world high jump title at the World Athletics Championships Budapest 23, it came at last month's Silesia Diamond League meeting. There, after seeing the Italian with whom he shared the last Olympic title, Gianmarco Tamberì, and Germany's Tobias Potye clear 2.34m at their second attempts – while he had failed – Barshim skipped to 2.36m and went over first time to set a world lead and meeting record.

Neither Tamberì nor Potye, for whom 2.34m was a personal best, could proceed further. Once again, the elastic athlete from Doha was bouncing up and down in glee.

Barshim, 32, has had to compete cautiously in recent years to counteract a severe back problem. Tamberì, 31, also returned from an awful ankle injury to re-establish himself at the top. Both have the talent, and character, to win. But you can't help thinking Barshim will find the way again.

Tamberì, however, will have the extra incentive of trying to win a first world outdoor gold to add to his indoor version from 2016. Potye is clearly a medal contender, too.

Another man who could spoil the party for the joint Tokyo Olympic champions is JuVaughn Harrison of the United States, who stands second in the 2023 top list after winning the London Diamond League meeting on 23 July with 2.35m. It was the third Diamond League victory of the season for the 24-year-old from Alabama – a record that bodes well for his World Championships chances.

A strong challenge will also be posed by Korea's Woo Sanghyeok, fourth in Tokyo and who last year won world indoor gold and world outdoor silver.

Look out New Zealand's Commonwealth Games champion Hamish Kerr, who set an Oceanian record of 2.34m indoors this year, plus Australia's Joel Baden and Ukraine's world bronze medallist Andriy Protsenko.

Medal winners				Relevant records			
2012 Olympic				WR	2.45	Javier Sotomayor	CUB Salamanca 27/7/93
1	Robbie Grabarz	GBR	2.29	WJR	2.37	Dragutin Topic	SCG Plovdiv 12/8/90
2	Erik Kynard	USA	2.29			Steve Smith	GBR Seoul 20/9/92
2	Jesse Williams	USA	2.29	Eur	2.42	Patrik Sjöberg	SWE Stockholm 30/6/87
2013 World				Ame	2.45	Javier Sotomayor	CUB Salamanca 27/7/93
1	Bogdan Bondarenko	UKR	2.41	CZE	2.36	Ján Zvara	Praha 23/8/87
2	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.38			2.36 Jaroslav Bába	CZE Roma 08 07 2005
3	Derek Drouin	CAN	2.38			2,37i Jaroslav Bába	CZE Arnstadt 05 02 2005
2014 Europe				All-time list			
1	Bogdan Bondarenko	UKR	2.35	1	2.45	Javier Sotomayor	CUB Salamanca 27 Jul 1993
2	Andrii Protsenko	UKR	2.33	2	2.43	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT Bruxelles 5 Sep 2014
3	Jaroslav Bába	CZE	2.30	3	2.42	Patrik Sjöberg	SWE Stockholm/S 30 Jun 1987
2015 Europe indoor				3	2.42	Bogdan Bondarenko	UKR New York NY 14 Jun 2014
1	Daniyil Tsyplakov	RUS	2.31	5	2.41	Igor Paklin	KGZ Kobe 4 Sep 1985
2	Silvano Chesani	ITA	2.31	6	2.40	Rudolf Povarnitsyn	UKR Donetsk 11 Aug 1985
2	Adónios Mástoras	GRE	2.31	6	2.40	Sorin Matei	ROU Bratislava 20 Jun 1990
2015 World				6	2.40	Charles Austin	USA Zürich 7 Aug 1991
1	Derek Drouin	CAN	2.34	6	2.40	Vyacheslav Voronin	RUS London 5 Aug 2000
2	Zhang Guowei	CHN	2.33	6	2.40	Derek Drouin	CAN Des Moines IA 25 Apr 2014
2	Bogdan Bondarenko	UKR	2.33	6	2.40	Andrii Protsenko	UKR Lausanne 3 Jul 2014
2016 World indoor				World season list			
1	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.36	1	2.36	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT Chorzów 16 Jul
2	Robbie Grabarz	GBR	2.33	2	2.35	JuVaughn Harrison	USA London 23 Jul
3	Erik Kynard	USA	2.33	2	2.35	Daniil Lysenko	RUS Minsk 30 Jul
2016 Europe				4	2.34	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA Chorzów 16 Jul
1	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.32	4	2.34	Tobias Potye	GER Chorzów 16 Jul
2	Robbie Grabarz	GBR	2.29	6	2.33	Joel Baden	AUS Melbourne 4 Mar
3	Chris Baker	GBR	2.29	6	2.33	Ilya Ivanyuk	RUS Bryansk 2 Jun
3	Eike Onnen	GER	2.29	6	2.33	Woo Sang-Hyeok	KOR Jeongseon 25 Jun
2016 Olympic				9	2.32	Wang Zhen	CHN Nanjing 27 May
1	Derek Drouin	CAN	2.38	10	2.31	Luis Zayas	CUB San Vito Al Tagliara 3 Jun
2	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.36	10	2.31	Hamish Kerr	NZL Essen 18 Jun
3	Bogdan Bondarenko	UKR	2.33	European season list			
2017 Europe indoor				1	2.35	Daniil Lysenko	RUS Minsk 30 Jul
1	Sylwester Bednarek	POL	2.32	2	2.34	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA Chorzów 16 Jul
2	Robbie Grabarz	GBR	2.30	2	2.34	Tobias Potye	GER Chorzów 16 Jul
3	Pavel Seliverstau	BLR	2.27	4	2.33	Ilya Ivanyuk	RUS Bryansk 2 Jun
2017 World				5	2.29	Dzmitry Nabokau	BLR Brest 9 Jun
1	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.35	5	2.29	Thomas Carmoy	BEL Chorzów 25 Jun
2	Daniil Lysenko	RUS	2.32	7	2.28	Alperen Acet	TUR Kraljevo 22 Jul
3	Majed El Dein Ghazal	SYR	2.29	7	2.28	Stefano Sottile	ITA Molfetta 30 Jul
2018 World indoor				9	2.27	Norbert Kobielski	POL Poznań 20 May
1	Daniil Lysenko	RUS	2.36	9	2.27	Joel Clarke-Khan	GBR London 23 Jul
2	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.33	11	2.26	Oleh Doroshchuk	UKR Lviv 27 May
3	Mateusz Przybylko	GER	2.29	Czech season list			
2018 Europe				1	2.22	Jan Štefela	CZE Huizingen 12 Aug
1	Mateusz Przybylko	GER	2.35			2.21 Jan Štefela	Tábor 30 Jul
2	Maksim Nedasekau	BLR	2.33			2.20 Jan Štefela	Chorzów 25 Jun
3	Ilya Ivanyuk	RUS	2.31	2	2.17	Josef Adámek	CZE Tábor 30 Jul
2019 Europe indoor				3	2.16	Jakub Bělík	CZE Denton TX 13 May
1	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.32			2.16 Jan Štefela	Pižeň 27 May
2	Konstadínos Baniótiis	GRE	2.26			2.15 Jakub Bělík	Tucson AZ 29 Apr
2	Andrii Protsenko	UKR	2.26			2.15 Jan Štefela	Espoo 15 Jul
2019 World				4	2.15	Tomas Järvinen	CZE Lappeenranta 19 Jul
1	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.37			2.15 Tomas Järvinen	Jerusalem 10 Aug
2	Mikhail Akimenko	RUS	2.35			2.14 Jakub Bělík	Sacramento CA 26 May
3	Ilya Ivanyuk	RUS	2.35	2021 Europe indoor			
2021 Europe indoor				1	Maksim Nedasekau	BLR	2.37
1	Maksim Nedasekau	BLR	2.37	2	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.35
2	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.35	3	Thomas Carmoy	BEL	2.26
3	Thomas Carmoy	BEL	2.26	2021 Olympic			
2021 Olympic				1	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.37
1	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.37	1	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.37
2	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.37	3	Maksim Nedasekau	BLR	2.37
3	Maksim Nedasekau	BLR	2.37	2022 World indoor			
2022 World indoor				1	Woo Sang-Hyeok	KOR	2.34
1	Woo Sang-Hyeok	KOR	2.34	2	Loïc Gasch	SUI	2.31
2	Loïc Gasch	SUI	2.31	3	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.31
3	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.31	3	Hamish Kerr	NZL	2.31
3	Hamish Kerr	NZL	2.31	2022 World			
2022 World				1	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.37
1	Mutaz Essa Barshim	QAT	2.37	2	Woo Sang-Hyeok	KOR	2.35
2	Woo Sang-Hyeok	KOR	2.35	3	Andrii Protsenko	UKR	2.33
3	Andrii Protsenko	UKR	2.33	2022 Europe			
2022 Europe				1	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.30
1	Gianmarco Tamberì	ITA	2.30	2	Tobias Potye	GER	2.27
2	Tobias Potye	GER	2.27	3	Andrii Protsenko	UKR	2.27
3	Andrii Protsenko	UKR	2.27	2023 Europe indoor			
2023 Europe indoor				1	Douwe Amels	NED	2.31
1	Douwe Amels	NED	2.31	2	Andrii Protsenko	UKR	2.29
2	Andrii Protsenko	UKR	2.29	3	Thomas Carmoy	BEL	2.29
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