

FINA announces World Aquatics Convention and Swimming Coaches Golden Clinic 2016 programmes and lineup

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With just one month to go until the [FINA World Aquatics Conventions 2016](#) [1], FINA is pleased to release the programmes of both the [Conference](#) [2] and the [Golden Clinic](#) [3] as well as the high-profile [speakers](#) [4] to attend the fourth edition of the event, which is held on even years together with the [FINA World Swimming Championships \(25m\)](#) [5].

The leading event will kick-off on Saturday December 3 with the first Session on Sunday December 4 that will give an update on FINA President Dr Maglione's own initiative; the "*Swimming for All – Swimming for Life*" programme will be given by the President. UN Special Adviser on Sport for Development Wilfried Lemke and FINA Vice-President Sam Ramsamy is also announced to take part in the presentation.

The Session will be followed by "*The power of Aquatics: How can Aquatics contribute to a healthier society?*" in which Swimming Australia General Manager Melissa Backhouse and FINA Bureau Member Margo Mountjoy among others will be speaking.

FINA Vice-Presidents Dale Neuburger and Sam Ramsamy, also an IOC Member, will present the latest [FINA Development programmes](#) [6] put in place in the recent years and the tremendous improvement some Member National Federations have benefited from.

The impressive line-up of speakers includes Michael Phelps' famous coach Bob Bowman, as announced a few weeks ago, who will be leading the first session of the Golden Clinic entitled "*Coaching the best Swimmer of All time*" on Sunday December 4- but also major swimming countries Head Coaches such as USA's David Marsh, Magnus Kjellberg (from Japan Swimming), Canada's Ben Titley and Great Britain's Bill Furniss who will share their knowledge about themes as various as the pressure of the Olympic Games & World competitions, the coaching of Olympians and the programme around it and the part technology plays in swimming success (Monday December 5).



Caesars Hotel where the Convention will take place

Pool-based workshop will also be held on the first day of the [Golden Clinic \[3\]](#) with doctors and professors from the [FINA Sports Medicine Committee \[7\]](#) and recognised universities in Canada and Portugal.

In addition, Spain's Mireia Belmonte coach Fred Vergnoux will last speak on Saturday December 4 around the following rhetorical question: "*How do you reach your dream?*"

On the final Convention day, Monday December 5, Sport Integrity, Delivering a lasting legacy from Aquatic events and the digital challenge the Federation is facing will be discussed.

The [FINA World Sports Medicine Congress \[8\]](#) will also be held in parallel of the Convention on December 3 and 4. The Congress programme is highlighted by presentation on nutrition and water therapies.

This year's Convention is organised in Windsor, Canada, from December 3-5, with the the Golden Clinic running in parallel on December 4 and 5.
