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DEAR FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS.

It has been a year of abundant progress and tangible growth as we continue to move and unite people through running. In 2016, our events reached out to the youth, the ever-growing distance running community and the international community of runners from 104 nationalities.

On its second edition, the Bankmed Youth Race gathered 6,267 runners aged 7-17 fostering physical fitness and the culture of giving. The young runners were invited to adopt causes and support NGOs initiatives.

The 14th edition of the BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON was the biggest one yet. The finish line was set at the historical Martyrs' Square.

We introduced a half marathon race for the first time and this race is now a permanent fixture for the coming years, as it proved to be an utter success with 1,500 finishers.

The 21.1 KM included a relay race option with 10 KM each, making the run all the more exciting.

Everyone's favorite 7 KM Fun Run registered 32,640 participants with 21,715 running for 132 partner NGOs. The event was a celebration on the streets of the city with more than 50 cheering stations along the way.

The 5 KM Youth Race is still one of the most competitive events for young boys and girls (age 7-17 years old), with new records broken and new heroes discovered.

The 1 KM Run with Parents was the happiest race to watch and one of the healthiest bonding activities for parents and kids up to 9 years old.

The 42.195 KM Special Needs witnessed some good records this year with the launch of the Ability Program, the 5 KM Mentally Challenged race is a true example of strength and the 42.195 KM relay race, proved to be the best experience for teams of 6 runners to share the marathon course.



We run in the name of Unity, of Love and, of course, Peace.

RUN FOR GOOD

The Beirut Marathon is keen on becoming one of the biggest platforms for NGOs in Lebanon, this is why 25% of the registration fee goes directly to fund the chosen NGO's initiatives. Everyone needs a reason to run, and adopting a cause is one of the highest forms of giving from one's self to overcome barriers and cross the distance.

ON THE LONG RUN

As proud as we are of everything we have accomplished to date, it is our hope that the next step of the Beirut Marathon journey will be its best yet. We plan to continue to reach more people than ever, encourage healthy living and strengthen communities through our events, programs, initiatives and the pure power of running. We are constantly looking for ways to enhance the runners' experience in our events, and we are implementing new ways to make running accessible to everyone.

Our grassroot community-based program, "Beirut 542", witnessed a 131% increase in runners, with 150 completing the 42.195 KM distance for the very first time.

The "Donate Your Running Shoes" initiative was able to gather 2,000 pairs of shoes to the underprivileged. Through the Adopt-A-Team program, 1,450 runners participated on Marathon day with provided transportation from all Lebanese regions.

GUEST OF HONOR

This year, we were honored to have with us a former Olympian, a leader who supports transparency and a firm believer in the power of sports as a tool that contributes to peacemaking. Lord Sebastian Coe, President of the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) attended BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON 2016 as the guest of honor and participated in the 7 KM Fun Run.

Finally, I would also like to thank all of the Beirut Marathon team members, supporters, participants, partners, and mostly runners for the part they continue to play in our achievements. Together with your help, we are able to give our community and partakers everywhere a reason to run in Beirut. We run in the name of Unity, of Love and, of course Peace.

BECAUSE PEACEMAKING IS NOT A SPRINT, IT IS MORE OF A MARATHON

May El Khalil
President
Beirut Marathon Association

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BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION THROUGH THE YEARS

The First Beirut Marathon 6,000 participants from 49 nationalities

"United We Run" 5 KM race

60,000 participants in a race organized after the assassination of H.E. Former Lebanese Prime Minister Rafic Hariri

Zahle International Race 10,000 runners

Woman of the Year

Awarded to May El Khalil by the Brazil Lebanon Chamber of Commerce

A Year of Awards

NGOs

Volunteers

Bronze Label Road Race classification by IAAF (International Association of Athletic Federations)

Power of Sport Award-Lausanne

Laureus Sport for Good Award

Lebanese Ministry of Youth and Sports Award

Women's Race

first edition was launched with 4,512 participants

Ted Global talk

Hosts May El Khalil to share the story of the Beirut Marathon: "Making Peace is a Marathon". Over 5 million views

ARATHON »

BANKMED YOUTH RACE

The first edition was launched to encourage 7-17 years old students to lead a healthier lifestyle

IAAF Silver Label

The Beirut Marathon earned the Silver Label by the IAAF (International Association of Athletic Federations)

Paula Radcliff

Marathon World Record holder, was the guest of honor at the Beirut Marathon

Donate Your Running Shoes

This initiative was launched in different outlets all over Lebanon

The 2nd Beirut Marathon Doubling the number of participants to 12.000 from 60 nationalities



Tripoli-Mina Race 22.000 runners

Tyre International Half Marathon 15,000 runners

Torch Relay from Tyre to Beirut 1,000 participants

"Vivicitta" Run for Peace in Dbayeh



"With their Strength we Run" 30,000 runners for cancer awareness



Damascus to Beirut 111 KM ultra marathon with 11 international runners

YEAP Youth Elite Athletes Program Introduction



Ashrafieh Telethon Raised \$260,712 to help the victims of an explosion that rocked the Lebanese neighborhood of Ashrafieh



"The Peace We Run For" Art proiect

The Beirut Marathon emblem PRE (Positive Running Energy) was adopted by 29 artists to show their interpretation of the peace and love one finds on the run

IAAF Silver Label

The Beirut Marathon Association maintained its status as a Silver Label event by the IAAF (International Association of Athletic Federations)

Sebastian Coe

The president of IAAF attended the Beirut Marathon as a Guest of Honor

The ReRun initiative

was launched to encourage art through recycled items

Ability Program

The Beirut Marathon launched the Ability Program, a special needs training program that also provides professional wheelchairs for selected participants



OVERVIEW 2016

RUN FOR THE LONG RUN

#RKD

A call to action aiming to create a better and more sustainable tomorrow for our country



INDIVIDUALS



CORPORATES



NGOs/NPOs



EMBASSIES



MEDIA



EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS



LOCAL GOVERNMENT



MINISTRIES



SPORTS FEDERATIONS



From its remarkable and relatively humble beginning in 2003, when 6,000 runners joined to run the streets, this year the 2016 BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARTAHON attracted more than 47,518 peace runners representing nearly 104 nationalities.

2003	6,000	
2004	12,000	
2005	17,000	
2006	22,	,000
2007		26,000
2008		29,000
2009		30,000
2010		28,072
2011		31,136
2012		33,500
2013		36,000
2014		37,153
2015		37,811
2016		47,518

The BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON boasts excellent organization, amazing crowds, and safe courses.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS



3rd YEAR OF ACQUIRING THE IAAF SILVER **LABEL** FOR THE 2017 BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON



55,770

MARATHON ASSOCIATION RACES IN 2016

12,158

23,186

20,426



LAUNCHING OF THE **ABILITY** PROGRAM



19 EVENTS ORGANIZED IN SUPPORT OF THE



MORE THAN



IN SPORT MANAGEMENT & **LEADERSHIP** PROGRAM, A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION, MUBS AND CARDIFF METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY IN WALES.

BEIRUT 542

MEETINGS WITH NGOs/NPOs



BEIRUT MARATHON: A platform for fundraising and awareness



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NGOs/NPOs RECRUITING



23,186

2,463

NEW MOUS SIGNED WITH NGOs/NPOs

VOLUNTEERS

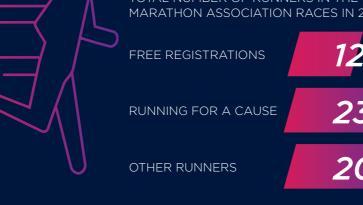
FUNDS RAISED FOR **DIFFERENT CAUSES**



\$150,000







IN 2016, BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION ACHIEVED ITS YEAR'S RESOLUTION TO BRING ALL ITS STAKEHOLDERS CLOSER





INSTITUTIONS





UNIVERSITIES

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NATIONAL
COORDINATORS AND
AMBASSADORS

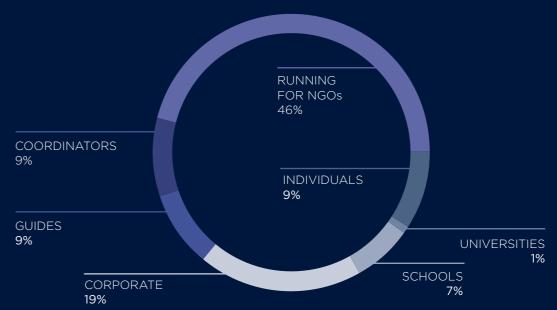


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EMBASSIES AND
GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS

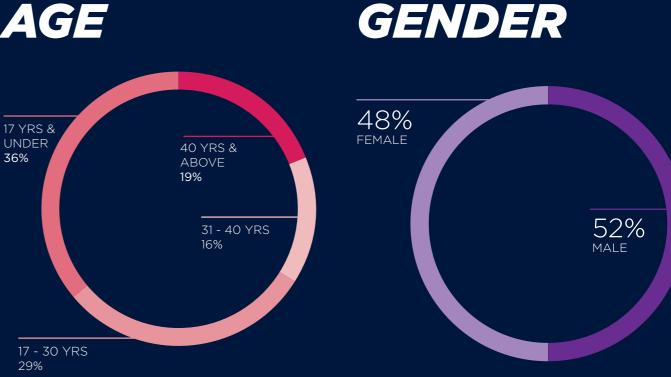
THE YEAR ENDED WITH ALL THE ENTITIES **BONDING STRONGER** THAN EVER AS **TRUE PARTNERS** IN EVERY STEP OF THE LONG RUN!



PROFILE



AGE



KEY ACTIVITIES 2016 CALENDAR



APR.10

Bankmed Youth Race (Race Day)



JUN.21

Beirut 542 Program Launching Ceremony



AUG.8

BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON Launching Ceremony



SEPT.8

Beirut Marathon Association/MUBS Joint Program Launching Ceremony



SEPT.26

Ability Program Launching Ceremony



NOV.11

BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON Elite Athletes Press Conference



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BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON Blue Line Ceremony



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Lord Sebastian Coe Airport VIP Lounge Press Conference



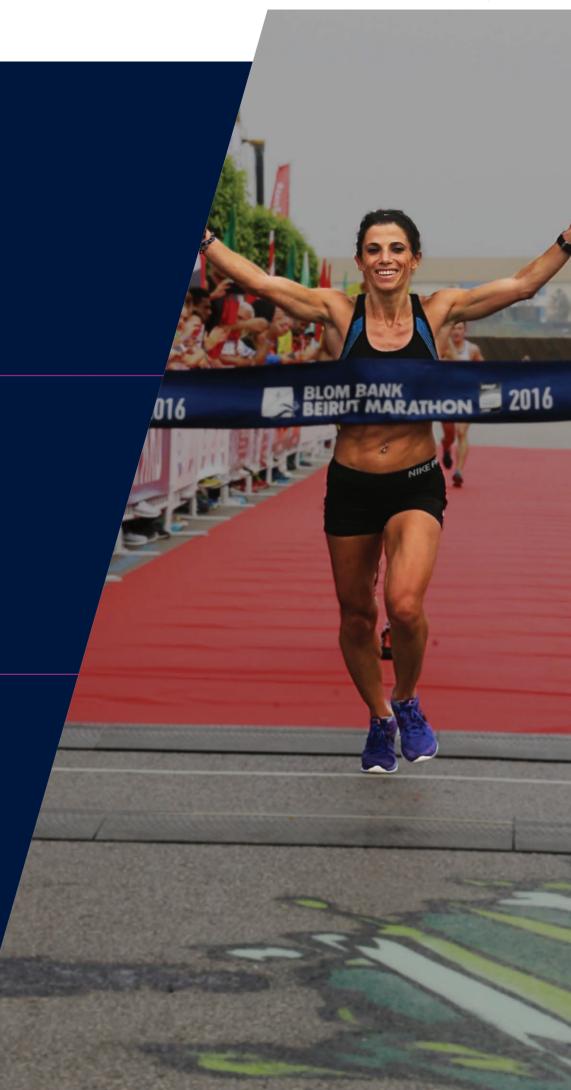
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Lord Sebastian Coe Press Conference



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BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON Opening Ceremony/Flags Ceremony





BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION THE RACES



BANKMED YOUTH RACE #AKIDADDA

A race dedicated to highlighting the youth in sports for peace and well-being.

Sunday April 10, 2016 Dbayeh

The second edition of the Bankmed Youth Race was organized in collaboration with the Municipality of Dbayeh. This year's race promoted only two distances, the 2 KM and 5 KM.

The runners aged between 7 and 13 years old ran the 2 KM while the rest - 14 to 17 years old - ran the 5 KM. In addition, the event included the 2 KM Special Needs category and the most popular 5 KM Fun Run, which is open to all.







In an atmosphere of sports and fun, new running heroes are being discovered, and future peace runners are born.

8,252

RUNNERS

SCHOOLS PARTICIPATED

23 NGOs NPOs



FREE REGISTRATION

7-17

AGE CATEGORIES FROM TO 17 YEARS OLD

AGE CATEGORIES YOUTH RACE CHART

RACE	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
2 KM Race (7-13 years)	891	629	1,520
5 KM Race (14-17 years)	480	402	882
2 KM Special Needs (7-17 years)	47	38	85
5 KM Fun Run (0-17 years)	2,918	2,847	5,765
Total	4,336	3,916	8,252



THE "STRAT" ARCH / THE STUNT

Not only did this year's bankmed Youth Race promote a culture of running, but also a culture of accepting others despite their differences. In conjunction with the National Day for Learning Difficulties, Beirut Marathon Association partnered with SKILD, a specialized center in Lebanon helping children and teenagers who struggle with learning difficulties, creating public awareness through the stunt at the START arch that was purposely misspelt with the word "STRAT" to raise awareness on learning difficulties.

ROADSHOWS #AKIDADDA

In an effort to promote the values of participating in the Youth Race, a month before the race and with the motto of "Akid Adda", the team of Beirut Marathon Association visited 25 schools from all over Lebanon. Public schools were encouraged to run free of charge, while private schools were encouraged to run and help 17 partner youth-targeting NGOs through donating 5,000LL per student to one of these NGOs.



Beirut Marathon Association is very proud to see talented runners winning awards in sports and bringing Lebanon's name to professional, athletic and international platforms.

Because Beirut Marathon Association believes that dreams can come true, in 2016, 80 young dreamers were given the chance to meet four recognized Lebanese athletes who have won medals and awards.



Marathon day is the result of intensive weeks of training, sore muscles, bumpy feet and exhaustion.

Chirine Njeim

A Lebanese alpine skiing champion and long-distance runner. She is the first Lebanese woman to have participated and represented Lebanon in the 2002, 2006 and the 2010 Winter Olympics, and the 2016 Summer Olympics.



Elie Rustom

A Lebanese basketball player currently playing for Mouttahed of the Lebanese Basketball League. He's also a member of the Lebanon National Basketball team. He was in the starting 5 in all Lebanon's games in FIBA Asia Stankovic Cup 2010 and also the 2010 FIBA World Championship.



Mona Francis

A sports enthusiast who started practicing since she was 5 years old. In 2011, Mona had a motorcycle accident in Jbeil and lost her leg. She completed her first full marathon as a hand cyclist in 2014, won first place in the Women's Race 10 KM Challenge, and was second overall woman at the BDL Beirut Marathon 2015 in the Special Needs category.



Silvio Chiha

A young Lebanese athlete who is a national and Asian water ski champion. He has proudly raised the Lebanese flag on numerous occasions on the international scene. Silvio is a talented athlete with multiple skills. From a young age, he has been winning competitions in various disciplines, such as alpine skiing, swimming, sailing, judo, MMA.



BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON

November 13, 2016 Beirut

Every second Sunday of November, the streets of Beirut are transformed by a sea of roaring crowds, elite athletes, amateur runners and charity fundraisers, to create one of the most memorable marathons on the sporting calendar in the Middle East and the world.

2016 marks a new partnership with BLOM BANK as the title sponsor of the $14^{\rm th}$ edition of the Beirut Marathon becomes the BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON.

This year, BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON has brought people together from 104 countries and from all Lebanese regions and backgrounds.

The 2016 BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON is organized with the support of the Ministry of Youth and Sports, Beirut Municipality and the Lebanese Athletics Federation. This much-anticipated yearly event has been growing in popularity and participation, attracting this year more runners than ever and exceeding the upper limit of the registration ceiling of 40,000 participants set by the Beirut Marathon Association.



2016 GUEST OF HONOR



IAAF SILVER LABEL ROAD RACES



THE 2016 MARATHON IS CLASSIFIED AS A SILVER LABEL ROAD RUNNING EVENT BY THE IAAF (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ATHLETICS FEDERATIONS) FOR ITS EXCELLENCE IN ORGANIZING A WORLD CLASS MARATHON UP TO THE HIGHEST INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS FROM ALL ASPECTS.

THE BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON IS ONE OF 16 SILVER LABEL ACCREDITED RACES THAT TAKE PLACE ANNUALLY AROUND THE WORLD:

- Women's Marathon, Japan
- Kagawa Marugame International Half Marathon, Japan
- Daegu International Marathon, South Korea
- Haj Hannover Marathon, Germany - Doz Marathon Lodz With Pzu, Poland
- Orlen Warsaw Marathon. Poland
- Rock N Roll Madrid Maraton, Spain
- Yellow River Estuary International Marathon, China
- Gifu Seiryu Half Marathon, Japan
- Sanlam Cape Town Marathon, South Africa
- Copenhagen Half Marathon, Denmark
- Dam Tot Damloop, Netherlands
- Marseille-Cassis 20Km, France
- Saitama International Marathon, Japan
- Blom Bank Beirut Marathon, Lebanon
- Corrida Internationale De Houilles, France

"The BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON might be one of the youngest international marathons, but it's had the most profound and positive impact on the city it crosses and the communities with which it engages, than most other international road races have on their hosts. It now offers an attractive program of associated races to help persuade as many of Beirut's citizens to become involved".

Lord Sebastian Coe
President
International Association of Athletics Federations

BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON IN FIGURES

RUNNERS, EXCEEDING THE UPPER LIMIT OF THE REGISTRATION CEILING OF 40,000 SET IN 2015

NATIONALITIES

SPECIAL NEEDS



12.158 FREE **REGISTRATIONS**



180 MEDIA **PERSONNEL**



\$132,200

CASH PRIZE MONEY



PRIZE VOUCHERS

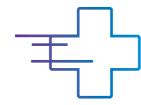
VOLUNTEERS AND LOGISTICS

23,186 **RUNNERS FOR A CAUSE**

Whether running for a cause or purely for personal fun and fitness, BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON 2016 participants continue to make the commitment to a healthier lifestyle and a safer happier society.



1,200 PERSONNEL



470 **RED CROSS PARAMEDICS** ON FIELD



250 MEDICAL TEAMS ON ALERT

BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON 2016

RUNNERS BREAKDOWN

	MALE	FEMALE	GUIDES	TOTAL
42.195 KM MARATHON	715	244		959
42.195 KM RELAY MARATHON	201	58	0	<i>25</i> 9
42.195 KM SPECIAL NEEDS MARATHOI	v 32 - 0	6	7-3	39
21.1 KM HALF MARATHON	1,061	438	0	1,499
21.1 KM HALF MARATHON RELAY	91	33	0	124
7 KM FUN RUN	15,588	17,052	0	32,640
7 KM SPECIAL NEEDS RACE	49	17	70-3	136
5 KM YOUTH RACE	2,995	2,639	1,800	7,434
5 KM SPECIAL NEEDS RACE	79	49	128	<i>256</i>
1 KM RUN WITH PARENTS	959	813	2,400	4,172
	21 770 \$\\	21.349 🕉	4 399 🕸	47.518

BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON 2016 WINNERS

42.195 KM MARATHON WINNERS

MALE







NAME	Edwin Kiptoo	Abebe Gizachew Habtegebrel	Jackson Kibet Limo
NATIONALITY	Kenya	Ethiopia	Kenya
TIME	02:13:14	02:14:02	02:14:58

42.195 KM MARATHON WINNERS

FEMALE







NAME	Tigist Girma	Seada Kedir Adilo	Alemenesh Herpha Guta
NATIONALITY	Ethiopia	Ethiopia	Ethiopia
TIME	02:32:48	02:34:12	<i>02:37:</i> 19

21.1 KM HALF MARATHON WINNERSMALE







NAME	Ahmad Sammour	Mo'ath AlKhawaldeh	Ahmad Jaffal
NATIONALITY	Jordan	Jordan	Syria
TIME	01:08:47	01:14:20	01:14:33

21.1 KM HALF MARATHON WINNERS FEMALE







NAME	Lea Iskandar	Nadia Dagher	Aregu Abatte
NATIONALITY	Lebanon	Lebanon	Ethiopia
TIME	01:26:48	01:27:25	01:27:53

27 ELITE ATHLETES:







232 SPECIAL NEEDS ATHLETES:



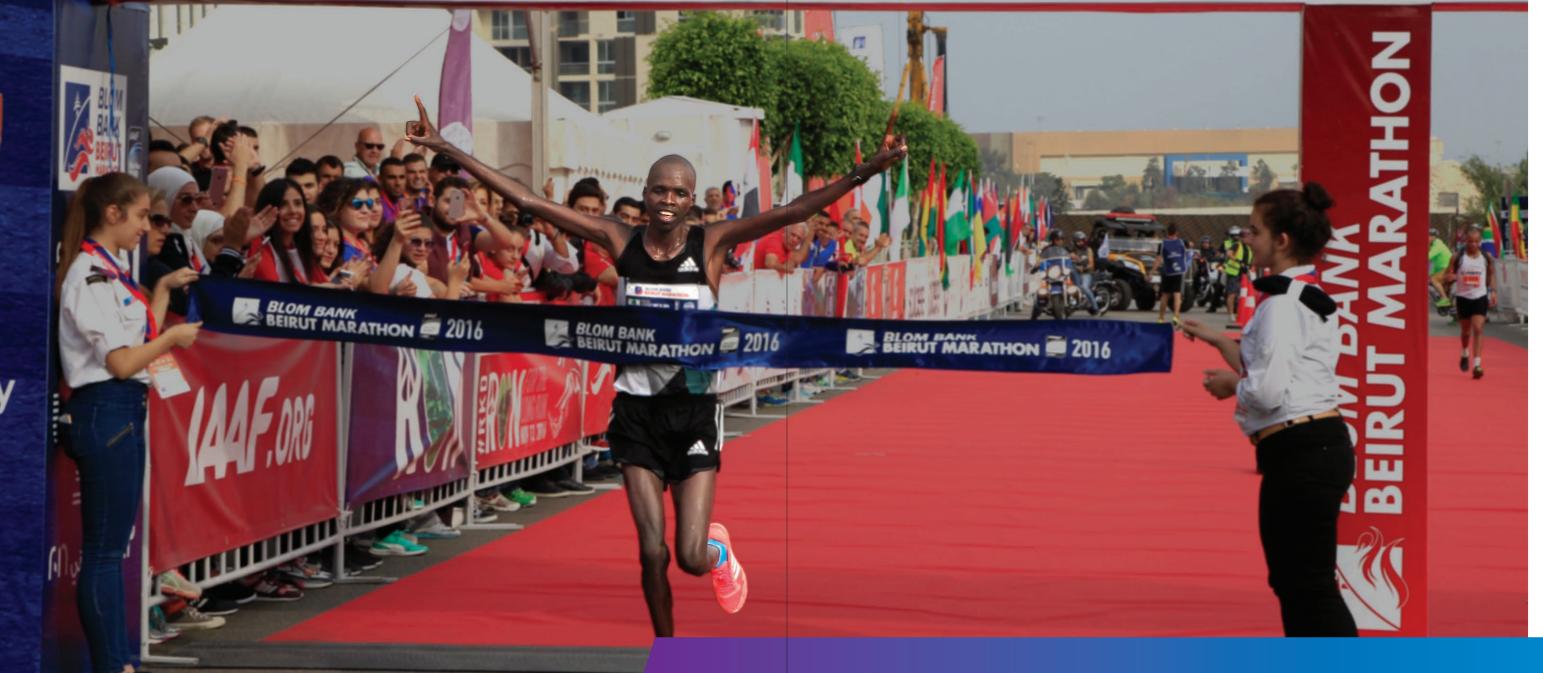




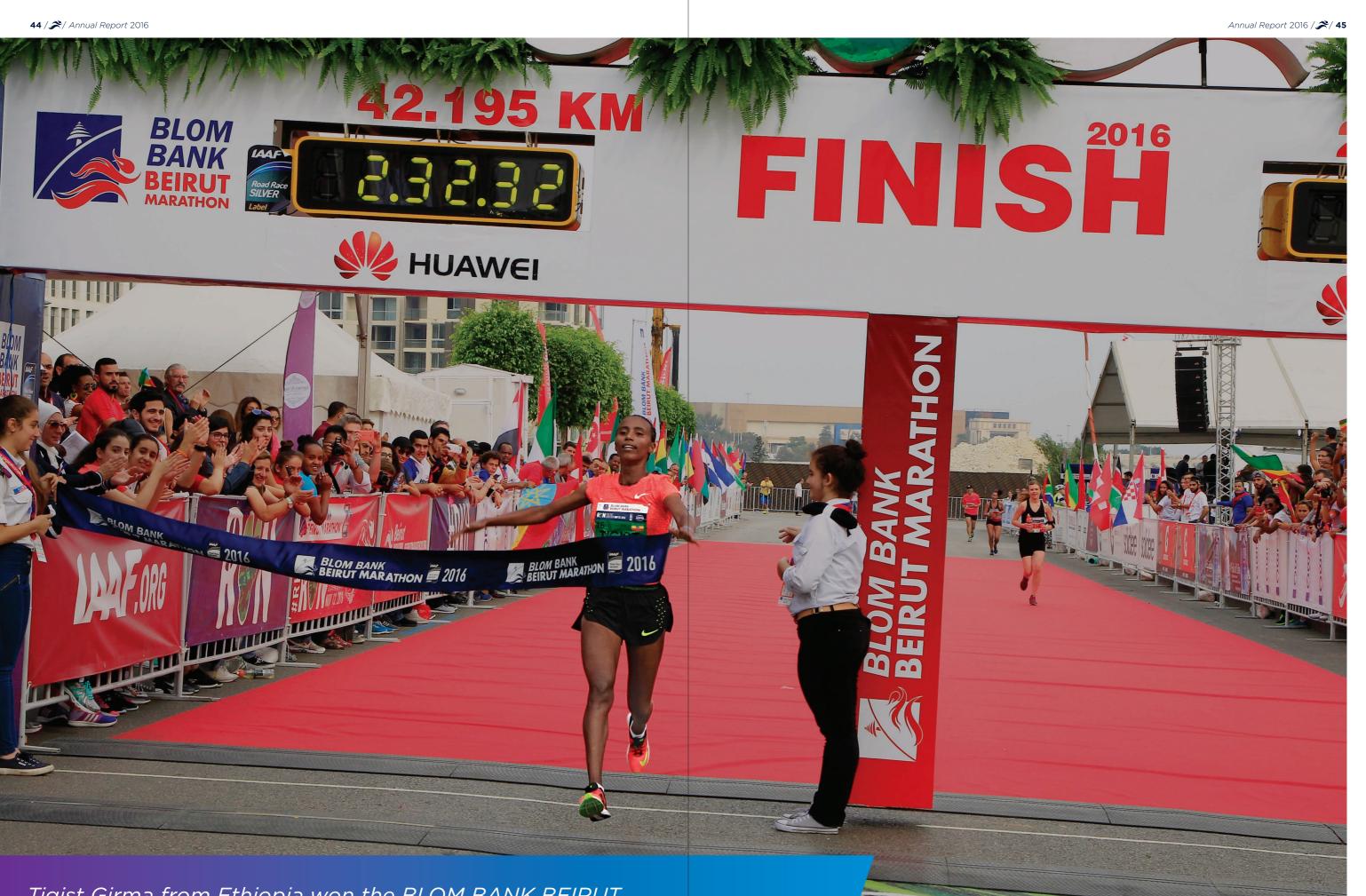
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Edwin Kiptoo from Kenya won the BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON Overall Men with a time of 2:13:14.



Tigist Girma from Ethiopia won the BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON Overall Women with a time of 2:32:48.

AMBASSADORS RACE

This year's BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON was a proud event for us all and the most successful one to date! We had the wonderful support of the UNIFIL, our esteemed ambassadors and their embassies' staff members including their family members, each dedicating their time and effort in helping us show the world the positive impact of our Marathon values.

The Relay Team was organized few months before Race Day, team members were coached by Mrs. Mona Shour, a Beirut Marathon Association board member, and trained by our Lebanese sports hero Maxime Chaya.

Some of the Relay team members ran their relay leg and went on to run the full marathon. This year for the first time, some of the spouses caught our contagious energy and also competed in the relay race.

THE 2016 AMBASSADORS' RELAY TEAM RUNNERS:

H.E. Ambassador Ahmed Bouziane H.E. Ambassador Glenn Miles Australia H.E. Ambassador Christina Lassen H.E. Ambassador Martin Huth Germany H.E. Ambassador Theodore Passas Greece Netherlands H.E. Ambassador Hester Somsen H.E. Ambassador Wojciech Bozek Poland Turkey H.E. Ambassador Cagatay Erciyes H.E. Ambassador Sigrid Kaag **United Nations** H.E. Ambassador Hugo Shorter United Kingdom

Spouses joining the team were from: Germany, India, Poland, and the United Kingdom

THE 42.195 KM MARATHON RUNNERS:

Paraguay Slovakia H.E. Ambassador Adele Jiminez

H.E. Ambassador Ivan Kratchovil



The 7 KM Fun Run gathered the Ambassadors and their family members from:

Argentina, Brazil, Egypt, Italy, Mexico, Pakistan, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Uruguay



BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON **PREPARATION**

The preparation involved in mounting an international marathon demands the mobilization and direct involvement of a small army of people fully dedicated to the success of the event.

SET UP



13,400 m²









Generators 1,600 AMP



1.635 m²







1,635 m²

Carpets 1,280 m²







2,391





Walkie Talkies 120

PERSONNEL



International & Technical Team Members



Managers



Assistants 102



Security 129



Laborers 180

RUNNERS



BIB numbers 47,518



BIB Pickup 5,000



Bracelets 5,000



Security Wrist Bands 5,000



Goody Bags 39,000



11,250



Medals 34,600



Trophies 280



T-Shirts 36,550



TRANSPORTATION













Lead Cars













2,000













8,000



50 tons





36,515

9,030



MEDICAL

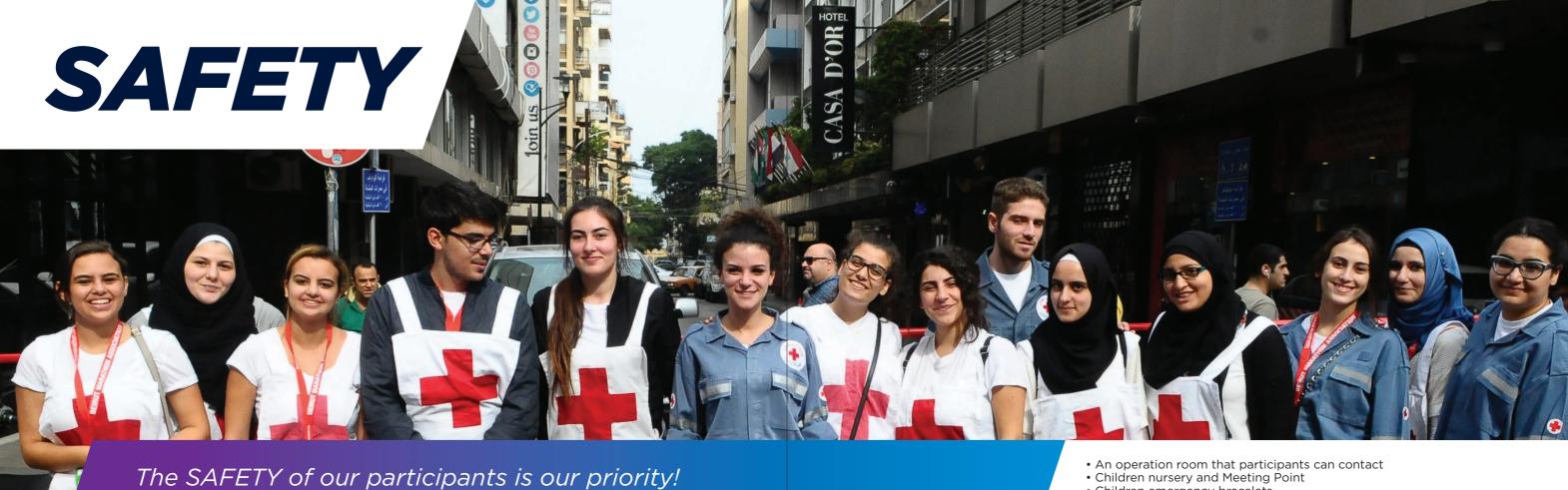






Ambulances





• Children nursery and Meeting Point

• Children emergency bracelets

• A tracking feature on our mobile application

• Security Information filled on the back of each runner's BIB

• Security surveillance along the course

Complete road closure

• Close collaboration with the Army & the Internal Security Forces

BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION HAS FOUR MEDICAL BODIES ASSISTING WITH THE RACES:

the safety of all participants.

Medical Tents



7 fully equipped and staffed medical tents located along the course.

Finish Area Medical Tents

Strict Measures were taken in 2016 to guarantee



5 Medical Tents 250 personnel and 4 Red Cross Tents. **Physiotherapists**



200 therapists at the finish area providing massages for Elite Runners and assisting them with physical therapy needs along the course.

Red Cross Ambulances



55 Ambulances were distributed along the course for any emergency.

This year and for the first time, we took the challenge of including the "Half Marathon" in the race day schedule, which added a new level of complexity and uncertainty.

Our expectations were greatly surpassed as the number of registrants in the half marathon exceeded 1,400. Adding to this, the total number of participants across all races was more than 43,000.



This made this year's event the largest ever, breaking the record set the year prior.

The 2016 BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON was by far the most challenging and the most successful event Beirut Marathon Association has seen in its 14 year tenure.

> **Wissam Terro** Race Director



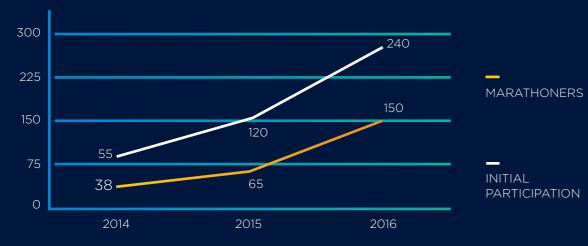
PROGRAMS & SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INITIATIVES

BEIRUT 542 TRAINING PROGRAM

THE "BEIRUT 542" PROGRAM IS **A COMMUNITY BASED TRAINING INITIATIVE** CREATED BY BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION IN 2014 WITH THE PURPOSE OF TRANSFORMING FIRST TIME RUNNERS INTO MARATHONERS.

RUNNERS SIGN UP **FOR FREE** AND GET ASSIGNED A TEAM AND A COACH WHO **PREPARES THEM BOTH PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY** FOR THE INCREDIBLE **CHALLENGE OF RUNNING THE 42.195 KM.** AFTER THE MARATHON, PARTICIPANTS BECOME PROUD MARATHONERS ENDING A JOURNEY WITH BEIRUT 542 AND BEGINNING A NEW ONE WITH DISTANCE RUNNING.

BEIRUT 542 FIGURES PER YEAR



131%

INCREASE RATE OF MARATHONERS IN YEAR 2016 VS 2015 **3**rd

EDITION OF THE BEIRUT 542 TRAINING PROGRAM

240
REGISTRATIONS TO THE BEIRUT 542 PROGRAM

155
RUNNERS AT THE

150
RUNNERS CROSSED THE



92%



Most of these runners started with no previous running experience, some have never ran outdoors, some are 18 years old, and some are 64 years old. But one thing they all have in common is that they never ran a marathon before.



Quality Rating of the Beirut 542 Program

43% VERY HIGH

SATISFACTION

49% нісн

8% MEDIUM



Coaches' sessions provided by "Performance First" were also integrated this year to each of our volunteer coaches.



"El Makassed Volunteers" were providing numerous young volunteers that helped out during Sundays long runs in directing runners along the chosen training course and in the water distribution.



Dr. Jihad Haddad, the physiotherapist on call to all the Beirut 542 runners during the 5 months of the program.



Heart screening provided by "Champs Fund" is mandatory to each of the Beirut 542 runners.



Weekly nutrition tips by Dr. Lama Mattar to the runners.

BEIRUT 542 COACHES

WALID KABBANI started running at the age of 14 and ran his very first marathon at the first Beirut Marathon in 2003! Since then, he has run 18 marathons with a personal best time of 3:19 and has been a Beirut 542 coach since 2014.



ALI KEDAMI is an inspiring and extreme runner. He runs for his daughter's charity "Make Saria Run". He has run 16 marathons and 9 ultra-marathons ranging from 80 KM to 600 KM! Ali has been a coach with Beirut 542 since its 1st edition in 2014.



KARIM RAMADAN is a young running enthusiast that took part in assisting Coach Ali. Passionate about trail running, Karim regularly spends his time running and hiking over trails and beautiful spots across Lebanon.



HOURY SOFIAN started running with Beirut 542 in its 1st edition with Coach Mickey. She is currently a member of the Inter-Lebanon Running Club and has completed the Run Sawa Event which covered 250 KM in 7 days across the Lebanese coast.



charbel NASR started running through Beirut 542 and is now a member of Inter-Lebanon Running Club. Surprisingly, his favorite part about running a marathon is after 30 KM which most runners call "The Wall" and is considered the most difficult part.

Meet the 10 coaches who volunteer their time to train 7 teams:

GEORGES IMAD is passionate about running, hiking and cycling. He started running through Beirut 542 in its 2nd edition with Coach Kathia Rached and now is a member of the Elite Running Club.



MOUSTAFA AHMAD is an extreme runner. He has run 32 marathons to date and almost all the Beirut Marathon editions since 2003. He has gone even further by doing numerous ultra-marathons.



JIHAD SHOUEIB started running in 2003. He currently runs with Elite Running Club and has a personal record of 4:09 in the marathon, 40:12 in the 10 KM and 19:39 in the 5 KM category.



CHUKRI NAKHOUL has dedicated most of his life to sports. Passionate about running, played football with "Ahle Sarba" 1st division and won 3 times the Lebanese Tennis Championship. Member of the Elite Running Club. He has participated in every edition of the Beirut Marathon since 2003 and is currently 1st in his age category.



JIHAD BOURJI is an enthusiast and passionate young marathoner who started running in 2011. Since then he ran a marathon in each of Beirut, Prague, Paris, Limassol, and Dubai. He has also accomplished an ultra-marathon (136 KM) in Turkey.



ABILITY PROGRAM NEW IN 2016

The Ability Program is a new program launched on September 26, 2016 by Beirut Marathon Association with the objective to empower special needs participants by offering them the proper support and equipment to enable them to perform at their best during the marathon.

In its launching phase, the Ability Program focused on supporting participants who race on hand cycles. The launch of the program was made possible through the generous support of Mrs. Chahrazad Rizk, member of the Board of Trustees of Beirut Marathon Association.

For many years, individuals with special needs stopped participating, as wheelchairs were too heavy and unsuitable to race, whereas, hand cycles are much lighter and easier to maneuver during the race.

Not only did Mrs. Rizk generously cover the cost of nine hand-cycles and training, but she also succeeded to secure funds from a donor based in Qatar to cover the cost of two additional hand-cycles. The program in its first year was a great success, offering 11 hand-cycles, intensive technical training, physical training classes and moral support.



"This project was a whole exciting experience for me when I first started, but then with time and while working hard on it, this experience turned out to be a real joy because of these pure people smiling faces. Driven by my challenge and mixed with my dedication to supporting others and seeing them shining from happiness, I am more than grateful to take in charge of this new born project and develop from all my heart."

Chahrazad Rizk

Beirut Marathon Association conceptualizes, manages and facilitates good acts with the purpose of reaching out to people with special needs, giving them the opportunity to participate on race day.







DONATE YOUR RUNNING SHOES INITIATIVE

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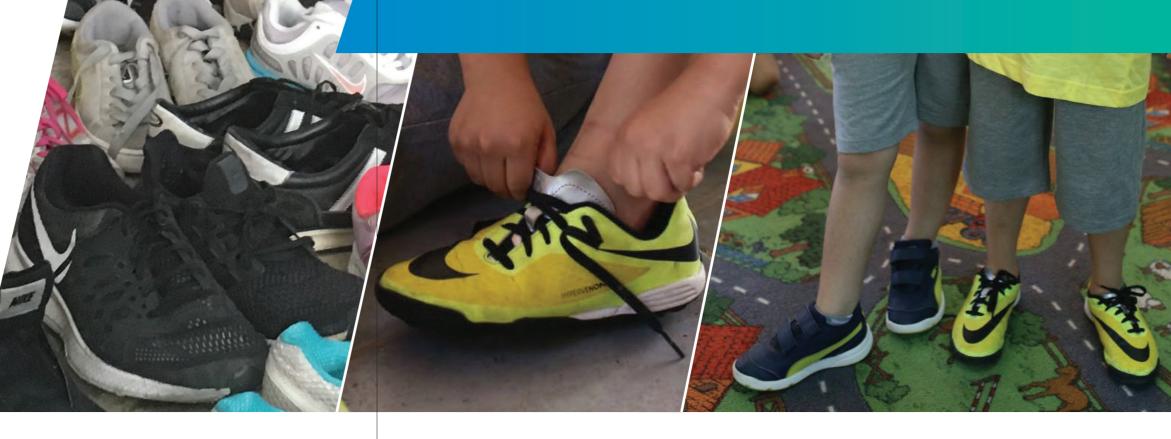
More than 2,000 pairs of shoes were distributed in 2016.

After its inception in 2015, the "Donate Your Running Shoes" takes a more organized structure. The initiative started with the distribution of donation boxes across Lebanon in schools, universities, malls, retail sports shops, gyms, etc. inviting people to donate their old pair of running shoes. The donated used shoes are then cleaned, wrapped and classified according to size and gender. The next step entails involving our partnered NGOs from various regions in distributing the shoes according to their needs.

In 2016, the association gave the children receiving the shoes, the chance to participate in the BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON.

The 2016 edition of the "Donate Your Running Shoes" initiative was organized with the support of Cross Cultures Project Association (CCPA), Lebanon.

The initiative reaches out to underprivileged Lebanese in rural areas, in addition to Palestinian and Syrian refugees.



ADOPT ATEAM PROGRAM



Launched in 2009, the Adopt-A-Team program continues to grow helping this year **1,450** underprivileged children and youth to join the run.

The initiative matches corporate and individual supporters with underprivileged groups from all over Lebanon to give them the opportunity to participate in the Marathon by offering them an all-inclusive package including round trip transportation, registration, t-shirts, breakfast and lunch.

Each team comprises of 42 students and 3 guides. In 2016, with the generous support of our partners, 37 teams participated in the race.



MASTER'S DEGREE IN SPORT MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP **NEW IN 2016**

letropolitan

On September 8, 2016, Beirut Marathon Association, in partnership with MUBS (Modern University for Business & Science) and CARDIFF Metropolitan University in Wales, launched the Master's degree in Sport Management and Leadership program. This new initiative comes as part of Beirut Marathon Association's role and commitment to spread, through sport, love and peace amongst nations.

Beirut Marathon Association is immensely proud to be part of this program that will contribute to the growth of the sports experts community in Lebanon. Beirut Marathon Association commits to offer students enrolled in the program: internship opportunities, knowledge sharing, and practical skills.



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ReRUN GREEN INITIATIVE NEW IN 2016

material were displayed all over the streets of Beirut.





MOVE4GOOD

MOVE4GOOD is a storytelling platform launched in 2015 to showcase inspiring stories of people who use sports as means to move for the sake of their health, loved ones, communities and causes. These people tell their stories for inspiration, empowerment and resilience.

This year, a MOVE4GOOD youth edition was organized on the 2nd of April at CineMall (LE MALL, Dbayeh) just a week before the bankmed Youth Race, featuring stories from 11 young speakers from all regions of Lebanon. Those stories inspire others to run. MOVE4GOOD also highlights the benefits of enrolling in sports activities and how they affect our lives.

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NGOS & VOLUNTEERS

NGOS

WITH OVER 150 PARTNER NGOS, BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION PROVIDES A UNIQUE **FUNDRAISING PLATFORM IN LEBANON** THAT GIVES **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES TO ALL NGOS/CSOS** TO UNLEASH THEIR FUNDRAISING POTENTIALS AND PROMOTE THEIR DIFFERENT CAUSES.

25%

OF BEIRUT MARATHON REGISTRATION FEES ARE **TRANSFERRED TO SUPPORT** THE **NGOs/CSOs IN ACHEIVING THEIR ACTIVITIES AND FULLFILLING THEIR MISSION.**



FREE REGISTRATION
IS OFFERED TO
ALL SPECIAL
NEEDS AND
PUBLIC SCHOOLS
PARTICIPANTS IN
ALL RACES

IN 2016, THE OUTREACH TEAM OF BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION INVESTED MOST OF THEIR TIME AND EFFORTS IN HELPING NGOS/CSOs ADOPT THE PLATFORM AND LEARN HOW TO USE IT TO GENERATE REVENUES TO SUPPORT THEIR CAUSES.

DEDICATED MONTHS OF VISITS

2,000

ARRANGED
PHONE CALLS



2,250 EMAILS



DOCUMENTS

60
HOURS ENGAGED
IN PRESENTATIONS

This year, Beirut Marathon Association upgraded the online registration platform to promote individual selection of a cause to run for. All NGO/CSO partners have been sorted according to the UN mode of segmentation, and registration is split into two categories: - Group Registration: The NGO partner registers directly the list of names recruited and only pays the discounted registration fees. - Individuals: Runners register and pay online choosing their cause; 25% of the registration fee goes straight into the NGO's account which is directly collected after the race. But inside I AM NOT SO DIFFERENT!

CHOOSING THE RIGHT

CAUSE CAN'T BE EASIER.



Throughout 2016, noticeable efforts were made from NGOs/CSOs to benefit from the fundraising platform that Beirut Marathon Association provides. These include:

150

MULTIPLE YEAR
AGREEMENTS SIGNED
TO DATE WITH NGOS

132

PARTICIPATING NGOs / 28 OF WHICH ARE



23,186

PARTICIPANTS RUNNING FOR DIFFERENT CAUSES

CHARITY RUNNERS
RECRUITED FROM
NGOS PARTICIPATING
FOR THE FIRST TIME

2,495

2,463

RECRUITED **VOLUNTEERS**

49%

OF TOTAL

WERE RECRUITED FOR THE BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON IN 2016

PARTICIPANTS RUNNING FOR NGOs

	NCO	CLUDG			
INDIVIDUALS	CORPORATES	SCHOOLS	UNIVERSITIES	NGOS	CLUBS
1,471	7,887	5,601	2,864	5,211	152

TOTAL: 23,186

BEST NGO:

BRAVEHEART

RAISING \$13,000 FROM

FOR RECRUITING THE HIGHEST

NUMBER OF RUNNERS (2,098)

REGISTRATION ONLY, OTHER

THAN THE MONEY RAISED FROM

PLEDGES AND SPONSORSHIPS



BEST NEW NGO:

FOR RECRUITING IN THEIR FIRST YEAR 739 RUNNERS **POSITIONING THEMSELVES IN THE 7TH RANK** AMONGST THE 132 NGOs



MOST SUPPORTIVE NGO:

UNICEFFOR SUPPORTING

THE **PARTICIPATION**

OF 991 CHILDREN



MOST ACTIVE NGO: DONNER SANG COMPTER

FOR A **REMARKABLE PRESENCE** THIS YEAR



UNIVERSITY SPIRIT AWARD: AUB

WITH 1,010 STUDENTS



BEST CHEERING STATION: ROTARY CLUB

FOR A **BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED STATION** WITH TREES, OFFERING APPLES AND CHEERING RUNNERS WITH THE HELP OF THEIR DJ, DANCERS, CLAPPERS AND HATS



BEST VOLUNTEERING TEAM: RED CROSS YOUTH

WITH 480 VOLUNTEERS



BEST COSTUME AND MESSAGE: ABAAD

FOR USING THE PLATFORM TO **RAISE THEIR VOICE**AND BE HEARD



SCHOOL SPIRIT AWARD: COLLEGE MELKART

WITH **565 STUDENTS**



"Being in direct contact with schools, universities, NGOs and coordinators in the various regions of Lebanon and around the world makes you realize the role the marathon plays in bringing entities from different corners together. Handling the outreach department makes me fully understand the need for unity in our society and I'm proud to be able to play a role in bringing it to reality."

ABDALLAH ABDELNOUR Hospitality & Outreach Director **82** / *Annual Report* 2016



"In 2016, ABAAD launched a campaign demanding the abolishment of article at ABAAD believed that the Beirut Marathon is one of the best platforms to raise awareness about the cause. So we performed a flash mob while marching in the Marathon and its impact on the participants was more than powerful. ABAAD joined the Marathon with an aim to raise awareness, but we didn't only achieve that we actually received the "Best Costume and Message" Award 2016".

Azadeh Eslamy Alia Awada BZ KIDZ President & Founder

"On November 13th 2016 the students of BZ KIDZ had the opportunity to thanks to the Adopt-A-Team program.

This was a first time experience for all of our students and it was definitely to have been part of such a harmonizing event that brings unity to this country for one day. We look forward to being a part of this incredible marathon for many years to come."

students running to the beat of our live music. Athlete Mahmoud Awad represented us and won the 42.195 KM (30-34). Our hard work

"Gift of Life Lebanon first

participation with Beirut

Running to save a Life with

by over a thousand supporters,

Gift of Life" props were carried

"Best New NGO Award".

See you in November 2017!"

Rania Soubra GIFT OF LIFE LEBANON **Executive Assistant**

"DSC had already participated in many editions of the Beirut Marathon, and benefited blood donation on its cheering stations.

However, this year a special twist was made to maximize on the participation by recruiting 1,567 runners ensuring more awareness and raising more funds. The enthusiasm of DSC's volunteers at their cheering station followed by pictures, videos and posts on social media. award granted by Beirut Marathon Association."

"Since 2011, Roads for Life name has been associated with the training of ER Doctors, advanced Life Support Courses across the nation, thus contributing to saving 40% of unnecessary death in the Golden period

Association for offering Roads for Life a privileged platform to spread trauma culture and for winning all its credibility in the hearts and minds of all those who ran for its cause, "Saving Lives", a cause that must concern us all. "

Yorgui Teyrouz

Zeina Kassar Kassem ROADS FOR LIFE President











VOLUNTEERS

WHILE MANY JOIN TO RUN THE COURSE, OTHERS JOIN TO RUN THE SHOW! **THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY OF VOLUNTEERS** THAT COME TOGETHER EACH YEAR TO DEMONSTRATE PEACE & LOVE.

675
VOLUNTEERS IN THE

BANKMED YOUTH RACE

4,400 VOLUNTEERS IN THE

VOLUNTEERS IN THE **BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON**

16 - 30

YEARS OLD WITH A SPECIAL FOCUS ON

FROM ALL OVER **LEBANON**

14,448

HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

CREDITED BY SCHOOLS

UNIVERSITIES



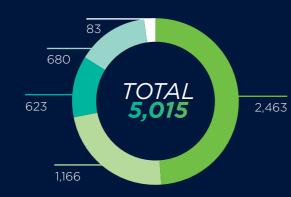
INTERESTED IN COMMUNITY SERVICE, EVENT PLANNING, SPORTS AND NETWORKING



HIGH-SCHOOL, TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND ABOVE, MOSTLY UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

IN 2016, MORE THAN
70% OF OUR
VOLUNTEERS CAME
FROM DIFFERENT NGOS
AND UNIVERSITIES
DEMONSTRATING THEIR

AND UNIVERSITIES
DEMONSTRATING THEIR
COMMITMENT AND
DEDICATION YEAR
AFTER YEAR.



NGOs

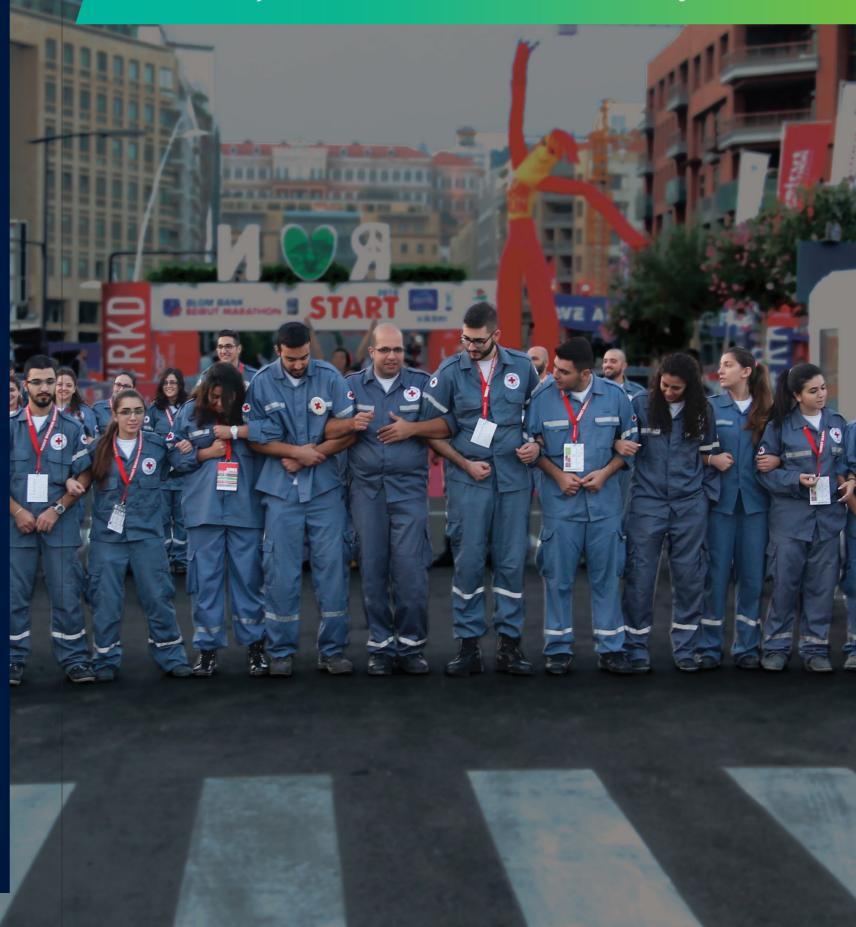
UNIVERSITIES

SCHOOLS

__ SCOUTS

INDIVIDUALS

Our teams of volunteers have started to take ownership of the tasks at hand, feeling as part of the race committee rather than just a team of volunteers for one day.



THE ROLE OF VOLUNTEERS



VOLUNTEERS BANKMED YOUTH RACE

12

ASSISTANCE

LOGISTICS

ENTERTAINMENT

VOLUNTEERS BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON

300

DEDICATED TO RUNNERS' ASSISTANCE (INTERNATIONAL, NATIONAL AND SPECIAL NEEDS ATHLETES)

400 / 100

GREEN INITIATIVES

SPECIAL PROGRAMS (ADOPT-A-TEAM, BEIRUT 542)

2,500

DEDICATED TO ENTERTAINMENT (CHEERING STATIONS, WATER STATIONS AND GATHERING AREA) 1,100

DEDICATED TO RACE LOGISTICS (START, FINISH, COURSE. DIRECTIONS, MEDIA, BAGGAGE AND OPERATION ROOM)

IN 2016. MORE THAN 35 PARTNERS HELPED US RECRUIT 5.015 VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR RACES. AS AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THEIR EXCEPTIONAL EFFORTS, BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION OFFERED THEM:

- FREE REGISTRATION (EQUAL TO THE NUMBERS OF VOLUNTEERS)
- FREE RENTAL OF LOGISTIC ITEMS
- PROMOTION & VISIBILITY

ALL VOLUNTEERS RECEIVED A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION IN ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Volunteers assist the Special Needs at the Start Line, Finish Line and along the course to make sure they are safe. The Ministry of Social Affairs and National Volunteer Service Program has taken on this task in the past 3 years in all the Beirut Marathon races.





G. Association works on raising awareness on environmental risks by working with NGOs, academics and experts to improve the environment in general in Lebanon.

This year, **G. Association** worked with 400 volunteers to pick up 220,000 water bottles, which were then sent to "Arc En Ciel" for recycling.

"We have been working with Beirut Marathon Association for the past few years now. Every year feels like a new experience for us. Since our profound duty towards our community is volunteering, we find working in the marathon a great opportunity for the scouts and members of our association. This year, leaders and rovers were responsible for filtration,

which gave them a chance to interact with the runners

and all the NGOs".

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2000 M

DBAYEH

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5000 M RACE

Muslim Scouts Association

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PARTNERS

PARTNERSHIPS

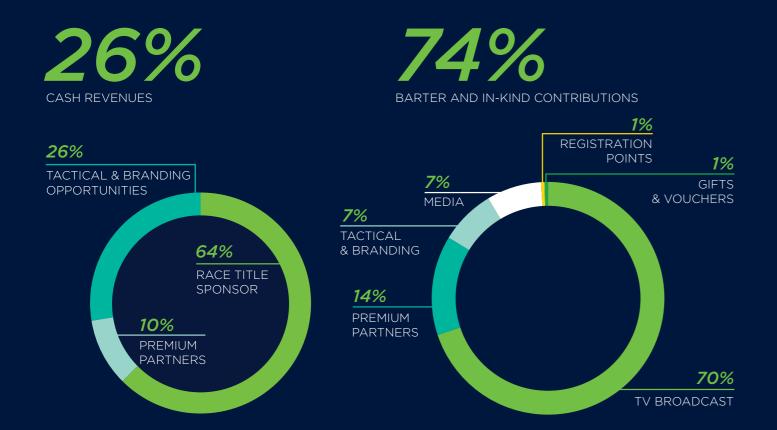
BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION COUNTS ON ITS PARTNERS THAT **CONTRIBUTE AT LARGE TO THE CONTINUITY AND GROWTH** OF THE RACE EVENTS ORGANIZED EACH YEAR **DEMONSTRATING UNITY, COOPERATION AND HOPE** IN LEBANON'S FRAGILE ECONOMY.

The partners' fee structure has been carefully designed following international standard valuation methodology to guarantee for the partner a comprehensive list of benefits that would generate a substantial return on their investment.

This year, the income from sponsorships represented 72% of total income, and came from 210 partners out of which 52 are new partners. In addition, the Beirut Marathon Association works to secure partners willing to offer in-kind sponsorships, which can give visibility to their services and products while minimizing on some of the operational costs of the events.

THIS YEAR, OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS DEMONSTRATED:

- HIGH LEVEL OF ACTIVATIONS
- HIGH LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION IN RACES
- HIGH LEVEL OF TWINNING WITH NGOs





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UNIQUE TO 2016:

- Introducing race tactical visibility for smaller budgets, which helped attract 52 new partners, contributing to more than half of total funds secured from sponsorships.
- Increasing the in-kind contributions level by having a more tailored and efficient barter deals contributing to hospitality, transportation and other similar cost factors
- Including new team members in the partnership department, which reflected an increase from 741 to 3,113 contacts with additional prospects in only 9 months period.

A WORD OF GRATITUDE **TO OUR 2016 PARTNERS**

Race Title Partners

BLOM BANK for the Beirut Marathon Bankmed for the Youth Race

Premium Partners

Waterfront City Dbayeh, Solidere, Aquafina, MEA, Volvo, Kurban Travel, Avis, Lancaster Hotels, Pangea Warwick Resorts, Hotel Le Royal, Saveurs du Monde, Wooden Bakery, Crepaway, Commercial Insurance, Mets Energy, Rim Water, Grand Cinemas, Castania

Zawarib, VPS, CME, Key Nursery, Strategy&, Waltex, FA Hosri, Passion Juice, Perla, Exotica, Mazitou, Medco, Tinol, LibanPost, ADDMIND, Abdel Rahman El Hallab, Patchi, Pixel Mob, BIEL

Supporters

Dar Al-Handasah (Shair and Partners), City Mall, ABC, Spinneys, P&G, Huawei, Alfa, **Ethiopian Airlines**

The partnership team at Beirut Marathon Association is proud to have corporates involvement in the races as runners and not only as sponsors.

REGISTERED IN RACES

146 | 6,362 | 9,259

RUNNERS REGISTERED THROUGH CORPORATES

CORPORATE RUNNERS CHOOSING TO RUN FOR A CAUSE





"The private sector remains the main contributor to our events. In an unstable and challenging economic environment, our partners still want to give back to the community, each at his own scale, whether by running for a cause-raising funds for NGOs, sponsorship, or in-kind contribution.

All of these forms make our events happen, and help build bridges across all sectors to create exchange, support, business opportunities, partnerships, and above all enhance the Lebanese eco-system".

Deenah Fakhoury Partnerships Director

OFFICIAL SUPPORTING PARTNERS CONTRIBUTING TO BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION'S SUCCESS

- Ministry of Youth & Sports
- Ministry of Tourism
- Ministry of Interior & Municipalities
- Ministry of Public Works and Transportation / CDR
- Ministry of Public Health
- Ministry of Education and Higher Education
- · Ministry of Social Affairs / Higher Council for Childhood
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Ministry of Telecommunications
- Ministry of Culture
- Lebanese Army Forces
- Internal Security Forces
- General Security
- National Security
- Airport Management
- Lebanese Athletic Federation
- Association of Certified Public Translators

Municipalities of: Beirut, Hazmieh, Baabda-Louaize, Aley, Chiyah, Furn el Chebbak-Ain el Remmaneh, Sin el Fil, Jdeideh-Bouchrieh-Sid, Burj Hammoud, Zalka-Amaret Chalhoub, Dbayeh, Jal el Dib-Bkennaya, Jounieh-Haret Sakher, Antelias-Naccashe, Dekwaneh, Jbeil, Batroun, Naameh-Haret el Naameh, Damour, Jiyeh, Sibline, Rmeileh, Jadra.





BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON reflects the ability of Lebanese society to go beyond all the political and economic instabilities surrounding it and to organize and excel in a world class cultural and sports event. We at BLOM BANK are extremely delighted to be the main sponsor of this event and to proudly support its appropriate motto "Peace, Love, Run". The Marathon's ideals agree perfectly with the bank's mission to be a socially productive agent in Lebanon's civil society and to be of tremendous service to the community".

SAAD AZHARI

BLOM BANK Chairman and General Manager



Quenching the thirst for a healthier tomorrow
"As PepsiCo continues to thrive in contributing positively to its
community, Aquafina partnered with Beirut Marathon Association as
the sole water sponsor of this year's BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON.
This came as a natural extension of Aquafina's 'Full of Life' campaign
promoting a healthy lifestyle and positive attitude year after year.
PepsiCo are very pleased with the collaboration and are proud to have
contributed to a more active Lebanon that is full of life. PepsiCo was
thrilled that Aquafina played a role in helping Lebanon come together
for such a worthy cause, and hopes to continue this partnership and see
many more fruitful collaborations in the future".

Elie Bou Akel

Aquafina General Manager Levant Office



COMMERCIAL INSURANCE "As private enterprises, we need to develop an entirely new practice of collaboration that supersedes the traditional philanthropies and replace it with networks of partnerships working together to create better economies for our country; which Beirut Marathon Association represents at its best".

Roger M. Zaccar

Commercial Insurance Member of the Board



"METS Energy - Beirut Marathon Association's partner since 2013, is proud to be a key player in this event spreading an experience of change, achievement, and POWER".

Karim N. Ghandour

METS Energy Business Development





COMMUNICATION

MEDIA

WE THANK ALL OUR MEDIA PARTNERS FOR ACCOMPANYING US ON THE LONG RUN!

IN 2016, THE PARTNERSHIP AND MARKETING DEPARTMENTS OF BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION WORKED CLOSELY TO ENSURE MAXIMUM SUPPORT FROM THE DIFFERENT MEDIA PLATFORMS.

STRATEGIC BARTER DEALS WITH TELEVISION STATIONS ENSURED THAT OUR RACES ARE BROADCASTED LIVE TO THOUSANDS OF VIEWERS ACROSS LEBANON AND OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD!



OFFICIAL TV PARTNER OF THE BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON 2016



OFFICIAL TV
PARTNER OF THE
BANKMED YOUTH
PACE 2016

THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION AND THE PARTNER MEDIA CHANNELS ARE BASED ON BARTER DEALS REPRESENTING 80% SHARE OF ALL BARTER AND IN-KIND AGREEMENTS MADE IN 2016.

LED NETWORKS:

RADIO PARTNERS:





























































2016 MEDIA

BANKMED YOUTH RACE 2016: FEBRUARY 24 - APRIL 20

LOCATIONS

INSERTIONS

APPEARANCES

ON 6 TV **STATIONS**

BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON 2016: SEPTEMBER 8 - NOVEMBER 20





INTERVIEWS ON TV

- KALAM ENNAS
- INSIDE GAME
- BTEHLA EL HAYET



MEA IN-FLIGHT ADS

FLIGHTS

DAYS OF VISIBILITY

AIRPORT DIE CUTS ON THE LUGGAGE BELTS

PEACE LOVE RUN STRUCTURE ALL YEAR LONG







TV SPOTS AIRED

BEIRUT MARATHON

YOUTH RACE

INTERNATIONAL SPOTS

CHANNEL IN 3 DIFFERENT

SPOTS AIRED IN **SERBIA**

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

CROATIA

OUT OF HOME

BRANDED LIGHT POLES

TREE STRUCTURE

REGISTRATION STANDS AND POINTS



STANDS IN ALL BRANCHES





STANDS





ANIMATED CLIPS AIRED ON TV FROM OCTOBER 26 TO NOVEMBER 12 AND ON SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS TO PROMOTE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON

GRAND CINEMAS

LOCATIONS

THEATERS





LIFETIME FREE DOWNLOAD

7,980



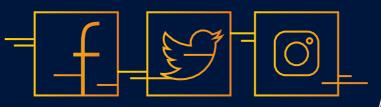
6,410



34,598 **USERS**



172,360 PAGE VIEWS



129,509 LIKES

6,781 FOLLOWERS **14.7** K

BLOG POSTS VIEWS

40,000 | 4,646

#RKD

2.908.195 IMPRESSIONS

#BEIRUTMARATHON

6,976,674 IMPRESSIONS

MOST READ BLOG POST

"Overseeing the Communication Department & building external relationships with the media at Beirut Marathon Association is an inspiring day-to-day challenge.

Putting the communication vehicles in place to create momentum for all the events & how they come to life through the different platforms we use to communicate with the public is self-rewarding and a great accomplishment"

Mandy Bassil Germanos Communication Director



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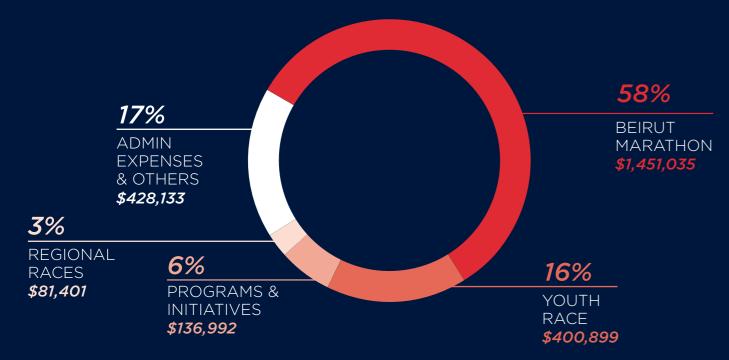


FINANCIALS

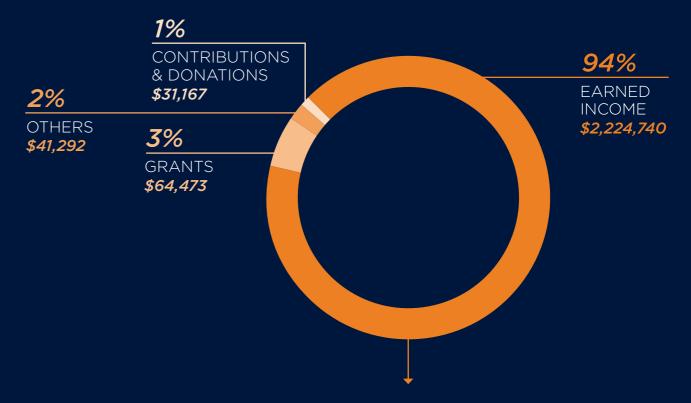
2016 BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION IN NUMBERS



EXPENSES DISTRIBUTION



INCOME DISTRIBUTION



EARNED INCOME BREAKDOWN



"Managing financial matters at the Beirut Marathon Association is a big challenge and much easier said than done. In a state of political and economic instability where we always suffer in controlling and monitoring our expenditures, cost and variance measures, and to meet our strategic objectives.

Nevertheless, I feel a high sense of self-satisfaction for giving 25% of our registration income to NGOs and more than 12,000 free tickets to those who volunteer, support and secure our events".

Diala Abou Saeed Accounting Director



IAAF ROAD RACES MARATHON TICKET PRICES





BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION IMPACT REPORT

Beirut Marathon Association is working with a world renowned international consulting firm on an impact report to capture and materialize the realised gains on the Lebanese economy as a result of holding its major events and programs including, but not limited to, the BLOM BANK BEIRUT MARATHON, the bankmed Youth Race, MySchoolPulse Race, Beirut 542, Donate your Running Shoes Program, etc ...

The report, which is under development, will demonstrate how events and programs organised by the Beirut Marathon Association drive economic and social growth. The report aims to quantify the total amount of funds spent specifically for events and programs organised by Beirut Marathon Association estimating the direct spending in the economy by event and program participants, spectators and Beirut Marathon Association itself, as well as, the indirect and induced impact generated.

The report also aims to highlight and quantify possible key areas of social impact.



THE TEAM

ABOUT THE TEAM

Beirut Marathon Association is a Lebanese Non-Governmental Non-Profit Organization, independent of all political and religious affiliations, registered at the Ministry of Youth and Sports under number 103/SH.R. Beirut Marathon Association was founded in 2002 at the initiative of Mrs. May El Khalil with a purpose of promoting the running culture in Lebanon and with a clear vision to become the leading running expert organization in the Middle East.

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Mr. Antonio Vincenti

Beirut Marathon Association's mission is to passionately organize running events that inspire unity, positively change lifestyles, promote wellness, and provide an experience of challenge, achievement, joy, and glory; for the benefit of Lebanon, both now and for generations to come.

"After having participated in more than 100 races around the world, and being a race organizer myself, I can tell that today Beirut Marathon is the only event where I keep coming back every year.

One of the reasons for my deep attachment to this event, and to Beirut Marathon Association team as well, is because our two countries are similar as we use running as a peace building tool to deeply improve our societies".



Erol Mujanovic Director Sarajevo Marathon Beirut Marathon Association Ambassador Bosnia & Herzegovina

BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION NATIONAL COORDINATORS AND AMBASSADORS

BEIRUT MARATHON ASSOCIATION COUNTS ON ITS 53 NATIONAL COORDINATORS AND 28 BRAND AMBASSADORS REPRESENTING 21 COUNTRIES TO MAKE EACH YEAR'S RACES A BIGGER SUCCESS. IN 2016, 10% OF OUR RUNNERS WERE RECRUITED BY OUR COORDINATORS AND AMBASSADORS.



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MAY EL KHALIL

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PETER MOURACADE

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CONTRACTUAL STAFF
LEADERS

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8 INTERNS

THE RUNNER MANTRA

When we run, we feel good.

We run more, to feel better.

When we feel better, we become better people.

We achieve inner peace.

We accept who we are.

We are confident.

We are tolerant.

We are in tune with our environment.

We smile more.

We live more.

We see the world differently.

We let go of our grudges,

And of all the extra baggage holding us back.

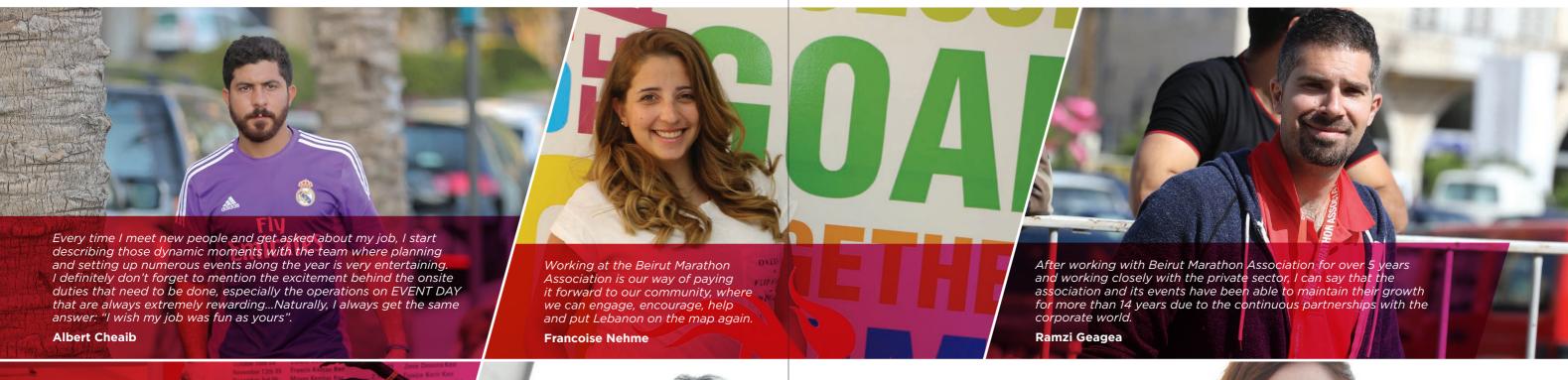
We move forward, stronger.

We radiate more positive vibes.

We advocate running.

We advocate PEACE.

WE ARE PEACERUNNERS



It is always a satisfying feeling, when you see everyone on the start line waiting to accomplish one of their dreams

Malak Hilal

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I care about the organization, its initiatives, and fulfilling them with integrity. I AM what I do, I am Beirut Marathon Association, and I am PROUD to be part of it.

Bassel El Fakih

Beirut Marathon Association's history and story inspire me to have the courage to start something and the determination to push my limits. The pride of accomplishing each event is much greater than all the effort and hard-work endured during the preparations.

Jessica Rizkallah





I started working with Beirut Marathon Association as a volunteer in 2007. I joined the team as the procurement manager in 2011, and it has been a roller-coaster since then as I find pleasure in securing resources to supply our needs.

Abbas Ayoub



The Beirut Marathon is my whole life. I love that it is secular, and it is definitely the best in Lebanon and the Middle East.

Mohammad Abilmona



Liliane Ghanem





"One is proud of any work that reflects his ambitions and capabilities. He feels satisfaction and peace when he successfully achieves his goals, much more when the work is in the sports world and based on love and fair competition.

My thrilling journey with Beirut Marathon Association, started in 2003. The association has been expanding and progressing tremendously, and has become today an internationally renowned race organizer acclaimed by Lebanon, the region and the world.

The Beirut Marathon Association family includes the finest technical and administrative expertise and I feel proud and happy to be part of it. Together we are able to put our dear country, Lebanon, on the international map and make our dream come true."

General Retired Hassan RustomVice President



So I joined the Beirut Marathon in January 2017, an institution I've always admired from the outside that I now get to discover from within, and what an adventure it's been since.

Today I have the privilege of working alongside an amazing team of beautiful professionals all passionately dedicated and driven to growing and nurturing the running culture in our country.

Over the past six months, we've proudly covered a lot of grounds, we've organized our 3rd Edition of the Youth Race in Dbayeh with around 7,000 runners from the four corners of Lebanon, and our 4th Edition of the Woman's Race in Jounieh with more than 1,100 women competitors and 5 Elites Women Runners from the Arab World all united to raise awareness to Women Empowerment causes.

We're now preparing for this year's 542 training program and are expecting about 350 runners to train over the course of 5 months for their first Marathon ever!

Simultaneously we're preparing to launch this year's edition of the Ability Program that is now growing to double the number of hand-cycles enabling 25 people to participate in the second year since we've launched this program.

We're also extending our Donate Your Running Shoes program to collect, clean, sort and give back shoes to around 2,000 people from remote and needy rural areas to enable them to start running.

In a few weeks from now we will be in Beijing to officially join the first League of Marathons in Asia the "Asian-Pacific Premier Marathons - APM" and this will mark a new milestone for the Beirut Marathon as we further reinforce our country's presence on the international map of Endurance Sports and Athletics.

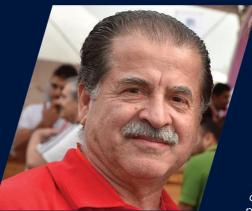
There is still so much to do and the challenges are numerous especially considering our ambitious Agenda of Race Events and community programs, but I like to think of our challenges as opportunities to build bridges with more partners and propagate our mission for Lebanon to more people around the globe.

I have the firm belief that we can build a sustainable and durable institution that will keep growing steadily and organically and keep playing a major role in bringing together the Lebanese Communities through the sport of Running.

And talking of important milestones, 2017 will mark the Beirut Marathon's 15th Year Anniversary and it will be an occasion for all Beirut Marathon runners, volunteers, partners, NGOs, friends to look back and celebrate the achievements of the past 15 years of success, a success that came through the vision and courage of one Woman and the commitment of a dedicated and resilient team of makers, we call these our #PEACERUNNERS.

15 years of Running for Lebanon and many more to come! PEACE LOVE RUN.

Peter Mouracade CEO



"The Media is considered the ideal partner of Beirut Marathon Association and has always been the image for the marathon events as we have been able, over the past years, to convey a cultural image of Lebanon, the sports institutions, the Lebanese people vitality and their love for sport and life, in an interactive situation that served the essence of the Beirut Marathon Association and that strengthened its mission that is the "Popularization of the Culture of Running" all over the country...

The Beirut Marathon Association complies with the application of the media rules and conditions stipulated by the International Association of Athletics Federations- IAAF in what concern the logistic aspects of the television live broadcast, its timing, the location of presence of the media representatives on the field, the development of media centers, the convention of dozens of press conferences and the provision of social and electronic media means."

Hassan Muhieddine Senior Media Consultant



"Don't ask what we do, come and see for yourself. Take the opportunity to learn more about the achievements of Beirut Marathon Association, discover what it takes to RUN a Marathon and become an active part of this national institution that has so much to offer to our community.

I would like to take a chance to thank all our official partners for their help and support without which none of our events would be possible.

Together we can do a lot for our Lebanon, and we will be forever proud of our achievements, which have been blessed throughout the years."

> Ilham Hmeidan El Fakih Admin & Official Relations Director



"The role of the coordinators in their communities has been determined to spread the culture of running through coordination with municipalities and people in charge, to promote the races organized by Beirut Marathon Association, and to motivate parents, schools, students, clubs and NGOs to participate and run for their causes.

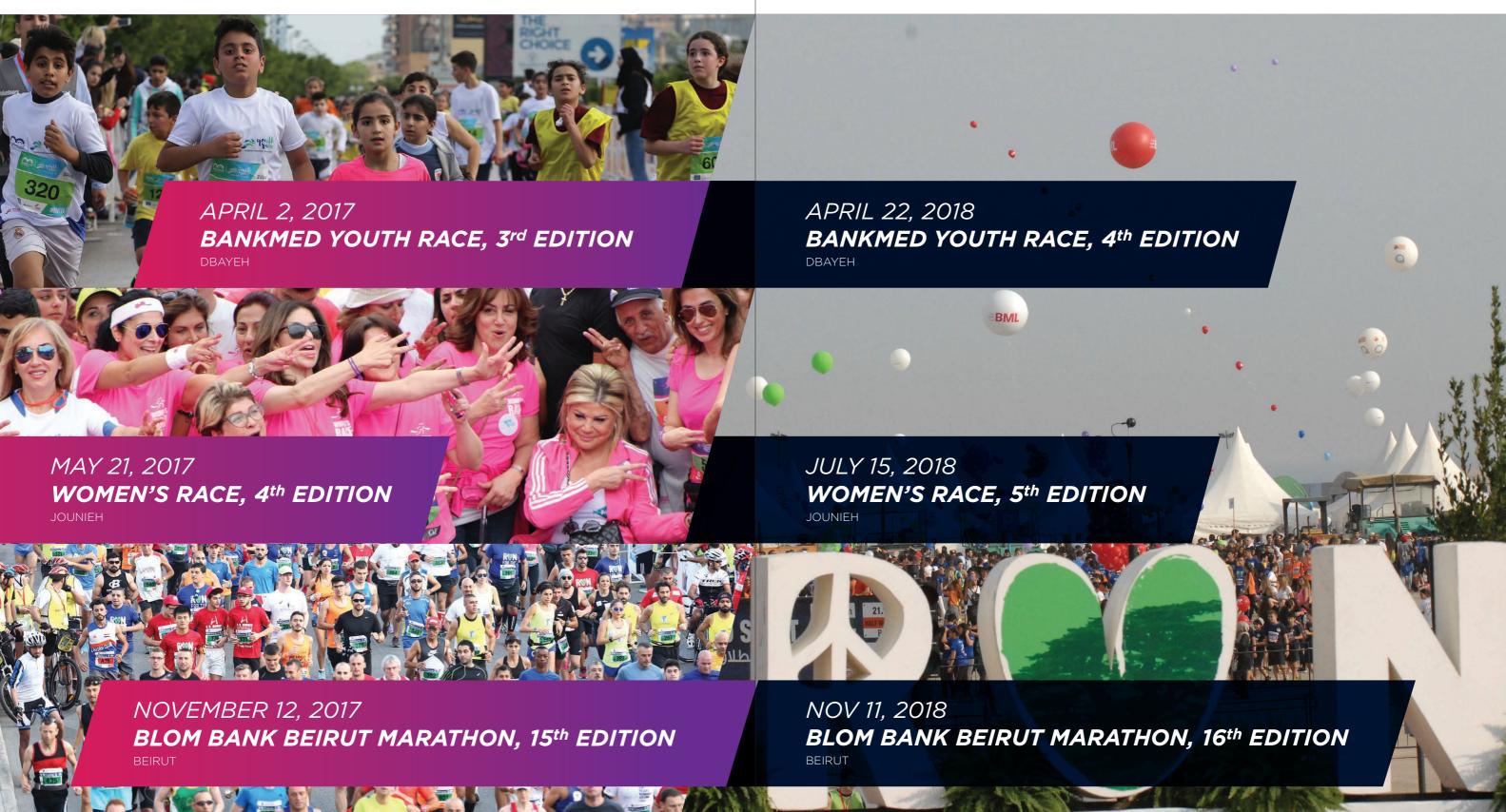
I am extremely proud that I have been experiencing this since 2003 as I work with the distinguished BMA team. My best wishes to Beirut Marathon Association and hope for more progress and distinction.

Bashir Sakka
Coordinator & Protocol Supervisor



2017 RACE CALENDAR

WHAT DOES 2018 HOLD?





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