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**Simone Biles** captured two more gold medals in the second day of event finals at the world championships in Stuttgart (GER) to break the all-time record of most medals in world championships history. The American tied Belarusian **Vitaly Scherbo**'s all-time record during day one of event finals at 23 medals, but now stands alone as the most decorated in world championships history with 25 medals, 19 of them gold.

On Sunday afternoon at the Hanns-Martin-Schleyer-Halle the 22-year-old won both the balance beam and floor exercises titles by wide margins for her fourth and fifth gold medals in Stuttgart. Biles did not compete her double twisting double tuck beam dismount, which she debuted during the qualifications, but still produced the highest beam score of the championships at 15.066/6.4. On floor she did perform her triple twisting double tuck to post a 15.133/6.7 and outscore the silver medalist, teammate **Sunisa Lee**, by a full point. "Overall it was a very happy worlds, probably one of my best ones yet, so I feel pretty confident going into the next Olympic year. I couldn't be more thrilled with my performance and it gives me confidence moving forward", Biles reflected after the competition.

Chinese duo **Liu Tingting** and **Li Shijia** won the silver and bronze on the balance beam with 14.433/6.2 and 14.3/6.1. It was Liu second world medal on beam as she came in as the defending champion, while for Li it was her first ever medal from world championships.

### **Sunisa Lee**

's second place on floor (14.133/5.7) made it her third medal in Stuttgart (team gold and uneven bars bronze), while

### **Angelina Melnikova**

from Russia captured the bronze on the event, also her third medal of the championships (team silver and all-around bronze), with a 14.066/5.8.

The Russian men dominated the vault final by taking the gold and the silver. **Nikita Nagornyy** stuck his Dragulescu and landed exceptionally well his Tsukahara double pike to edge teammate

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14.966 to 14.933 and take the title, his third gold medal in Stuttgart (team and all-around). Dalaloyan, who was also the silver medalist a year ago, vaulted a Yurchenko triple twist and Blantik (front handspring front double pike) but took a very big step on his second vault. Posting an average of 14.749 third was Ukrainian

## **Igor Radivilov**

who competed the same vaults as Nagornyy, but they weren't landed as cleanly. "I didn't expect that one. I thought that maybe I could take third place, but then the other competitors had some mistakes and that allowed me to win the gold medal", all-around champion Nagornyy said after the vault final.

With **Zou Jingyuan** (China) and **Oleg Verniaiev** (Ukraine) absent from the parallel bars final, arguably the top p-bars workers in the world,

## **Joe Fraser**

seized the opportunity to become the new world champion on the event. He posted 15.0 for the most difficult routine in the final 6.6 (Tanaka-giant Suarez front, peach back tuck to upper arms, giant to one bar to Healy from one bar, double front with a half twist) to capture second gold medal for Great Britain following

## **Max Whitlock**

's win on pommel horse. "I'm still trying to process it to be honest – just wow", Fraser commented in regard to his title.

## **Ahmet Onder**

took the silver with 14.983/6.2, to make it second medal for Turkey in Stuttgart after

## **Ibrahim Colak**

captured the first ever medal for his country by winning the rings title on day one of event finals.

## **Kazuma Kaya**

won the bronze with a 14.966/6.3, which was the sole individual medal for Japan this year.

The high bar final produced yet another brand new world champion for the men. It was Brazil's

## **Arthur Mariano**

who mastered the best routine of the day for 14.9/6.3 (layout Tkatchev to Tkatchev to Tkatchev half, Winkler-full twisting layout Jaeger, double twisting double layout). "I feel amazing, it's like a dream come true", the champion reflected afterwards. The gold medal was Mariano's first ever medal from world championships. 2017 high bar gold medalist,

## **Tin Srbic**

(Croatia) took the silver with a 14.666/6.2, while

## **Artur Dalaloyan**

won the bronze with a 14.533/6.1. It was Dalaloyan's fourth medal in Stuttgart, the most of any male gymnasts in the competition.

Following the event finals FIG (International Gymnastics Federation) officially updated the list of

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individual gymnasts who have earned a nominative place from the 2019 World Championships for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. To access the list [click here](#) , and follow (event files and then click show files).

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