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### **STORY HEADLINE: RUSSIA WINS GOLD IN MIXED BMX CYCLING AT BUENOS AIRES 2018**

**DATE:** 7 October, 2018

**LOCATION:** Buenos Aires, Argentina

**LANGUAGE:** English, Russian

**Broadcast quality footage available at the IOC Newsroom:** <http://iocnewsroom.com>

#### **STORY SCRIPT:**

The Russian Federation struck gold in the Mixed BMX cycling competition of the Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018, narrowly beating their nearest rivals, Switzerland.

Athletes compete for medals in mixed BMX cycling on a team basis at the Youth Olympic Games. Russia's athletes, Iliia Beskrovnyy in the men's final and Varvara Ovchinnikova in the women's final both finished runner-up.

But their combined scores were enough to secure gold for Russia at the Paseo de la Costa on the outskirts of the Argentine capital. Beskrovnyy is aged eighteen. Ovchinnikova is aged seventeen.

In the Mixed BMX Team Event at the Youth Olympic Games, Buenos Aires 2018 there are 16 teams composed of one man and one woman from the same National Olympic Committee (NOC). Men and women compete separately. Their scores are combined to determine the final winner.

Buenos Aires 2018 is the third edition of the Summer Youth Olympic Games (YOG) to be held, bringing together the world's best young athletes between the ages of 15 and 18. For the first time in Olympic history the Games will have gender equality, with equal numbers of males and females competing in the 32-sport programme.

Almost 4,000 athletes from 206 National Olympic Committees will be competing for 1,250 medals. The Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 feature new sports and many new disciplines and events, reflecting the passions of the 'Game Changers', a new generation of athletes and fans.

The event offers a glimpse into the future of the Games as the new programme will introduce several innovations that will be replicated at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.



The first Summer Olympic Games took place in Singapore in 2010. The second edition was held in the Chinese city of Nanjing in 2014.

### SHOTLIST:

00:05 Action from the start of the Women's Mixed BMX race  
00:13 The participants of the Women's Mixed BMX events riding through the course.  
00:26 Wide shot of the start of the Men's Mixed BMX race  
00:31 Action of the Men's Mixed BMX participants  
00:39 Shots of the winning Russian pair Iliia Beskrovnyy and Varvara Ovchinnikova stepping up onto the podium and receiving their medals.

### 00:58 SOUNDBITE: Iliia Beskrovnyy and Varvara Ovchinnikova, winners of the Mixed BMX event (Russian Language)

*"Мечта свершилась и очень рады, очень довольны.*

*С тех пор не верится, что все уже кончилось, просто за секунду все решено, очень быстро все произошло.*

*Руки ноги, все дрожит до сих пор, как бы не верится...Ну, наверное, надо верить в себя, хотеть это и как бы биться до конца, до последнего, до финишной линии. Не унывать, настроиться на победу и ехать до конца.*

*Думай только о себе, о своей езде, о своей гонке, ни на ком не концентрироваться, только на себя все внимание. ..Тренера очень переживали, наверное, больше, чем мы сами, у всех, наверное, истерика сейчас – не знаю, не верится никому сейчас.*

*Ну, так же я думаю – тренер очень переживал за нас, больше, чем мы сами, наверное.. Настраивал нас – вот результат.*

*Мы, наверное, еще сами не понимаем, что мы сделали. Потом все узнаем.*

*Я думаю, это важно для общекомандного зачета, для страны, это важно, я думаю. Каждая медаль – цена.*

*У нас постоянно конкуренция, постоянно смена позиций. Это надо в голове прокрутить, осознать все. И верить в себя. Это очень сложно, тяжело, но надо справляться и будете в лидерах.*

*Со многими уже здесь катаемся, знаем, как они примерно едут, но это непредсказуемый вид спорта, все может сложиться по-разному каждый раз.*

*Моя золотая медаль очень важна для меня. Я этого хотел всю жизнь, наверное. Представился шанс, использовали мы его с напарницей Варварой. Очень рады, очень довольны – верили, хотели. Мечты сбываются. Ну это честь для меня, для страны, для тренеров, для отца, для матери. Очень гордятся, я очень рад. Я думаю, все гордятся сейчас нами – вся страна, вся Россия. Я с семьей еще не успел поговорить – туда-сюда – не успеваю. Фотографии, фотографии. Не успел. Не знаю, просто сконцентрировался на себе, на своих движениях, на своем старте, по трассе, на виражах как правильно проходить – ни о ком не думал, только о себе, сконцентрировался, взял и доехал."*

Our dream has come true and we are very glad, very happy.

I still can't believe that everything is already over, just everything is determined in one second, everything happened very fast.



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Arms, legs - everything is still trembling, hard to believe ... Well, probably, you need to believe in yourself, want it and to fight to the end, to the last, to the finish line. You should cheer up, set up yourself to a victory and go forward and fight to a finish. Think only about yourself, about your cycling, about your race, do not focus on anyone, only on yourself and your attention. The coaches were very worried, probably more than us, they must be hysterical now - I think no one believes in what has just happened.

Well, I also think that our coach was very worried about us. He encouraged us and hence the result. We probably still do not understand what we have done.

I think it is important for the team event, for the country. Each medal is valuable.

We constantly have competition, we are constantly changing positions. It is necessary to scroll in your head, to calculate everything. And believe in yourself. It is very difficult, hard, but you have to cope and you will be in the lead.

We have known many cyclists here, we know how they are riding, but this is an unpredictable sport, everything can turn out differently every time.

My gold medal is very important to me. I wanted this all my life. I had a chance, we used it with my partner Varvara. Very happy, very satisfied – we believed, we wanted. Dreams come true.

Well, it is an honour for me, for the country, for coaches, for father, for mother. I am very proud and very happy. I think everyone is proud of us now - the whole country, the whole of Russia. I have not had time to talk with my family – running around here - I simply do not have time. Photos, photos. No time. I just concentrated on myself, on my movements, on my start, on the track, on the turns, how to pass correctly - I didn't think about anyone, only about myself, I concentrated.

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