

# The Value and Importance of Mediterranean Games





An aerial photograph of a Mediterranean coastline. On the left, a hillside is covered in dense green trees and shrubs. At the top left, a multi-story building with a yellow facade is visible. Below the hillside, a sandy beach is crowded with people and colorful umbrellas. Several small buildings with red-tiled roofs are situated along the beach. The water is a deep blue, with a greenish tint near the shore. Several small boats are scattered across the water. In the background, more buildings are visible on the hillside.

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## Three Continents

- Passion
- Spirit of initiative
- People warmth
- Social and Cultural links



# The important role of Youth

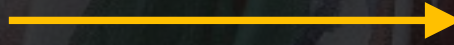
- Educative experience
- Peace and friendship ties
  - Differences respect
  - Mutual understanding
- Major cooperation in the Mediterranean Basin





# Mediterranean Games as an opportunity

For many Athletes

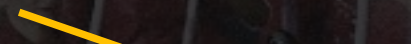


to participate at first  
International event

For some Countries



to establish International  
relations



to promote themselves





# The Mediterranean Games origin

It was the year 1948, when Mohamed Taher Pacha, presented the Project to the IOC Members gathered in Saint Moritz

He succeeded, and started a “great sport adventure”



# The first edition was Alexandria in 1951

The sport programme included, at that time,  
13 Sports:





# Sports Programme in 1951

ATHLETICS



FOOTBALL



DIVING



GYMNASTICS



WRESTLING



SWIMMING



BASKETBALL



WATER POLO



ROWING



BOXING



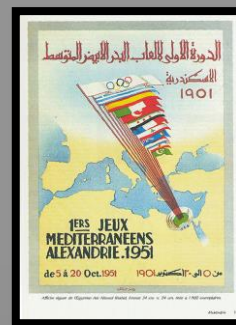
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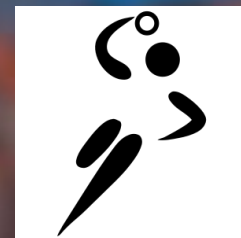


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# Sports programme

For many other sports, the opportunity to be in the programme of the Mediterranean Games has represented the opportunity of a rehearsal before playing on the Olympic stage.



The very first enlargement happened in Split (1979), where 25 sports disciplines were entered.

The record of sports in the programme was scored in Mersin (2013) with 29 sports.

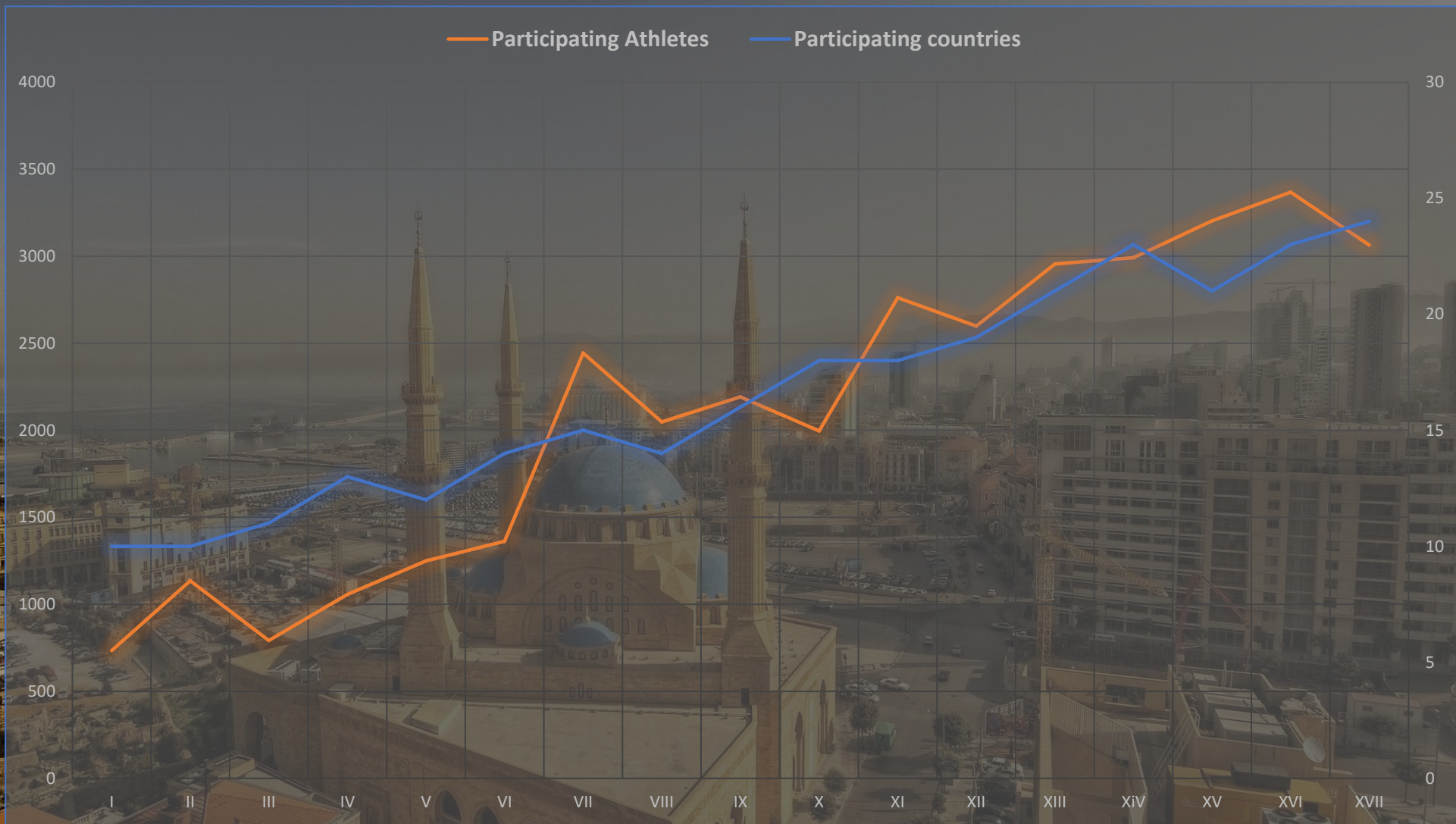




I		Egypt
II		Spain
III		Lebanon
IV		Italy
V		Tunis
VI		Turkey
VII		Algiers
VIII		Yugoslavia
IX		Morocco
X		Syria
XI		Greece
XII		France
XIII		Italy
XIV		Tunis
XV		Spain
XVI		Italy
XVII		Turkey

Participating Athletes and Countries

The participating athletes and countries number has been progressively growing.





# Women participation

In 1967 it was historical, the women participation in the edition of Tunis.  
From then, the women events have been gradually increased.





# Nowadays



29 Sports  
235 Events



28 Sports  
306 Events

Need to a number limitation of Sports ed Events



The background of the slide is a photograph of a swimmer underwater. The swimmer's arm is extended forward, and a pool lane line is visible in the water. The image is slightly blurred and has a dark, moody tone.

# Nowadays

Is it the right time for the Mediterranean Games?

Overloaded Calendar

Is it good to organise the Mediterranean Games the year after the Olympics?





Archery

Beach Volley

Swimming

Water skiing

Gymnastics

Bowls

Table Tennis

Waterpolo

Athletics

Fencing

Equestrian

Boxing

Tennis

Weightlifting

3 x 3 Basketball

Canoe-kayak

Shooting

Football

Taekwondo

Badminton

Cycling

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Karate

