MAURITANIA FACT SHEET

MISSION:
To provide year–round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic–type sports for children and adults with an intellectual disability, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

HISTORY:
Founded in 1997

PARTICIPANTS:
Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 1,559
Coaches: 66
Competitions: 25

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:
• 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games in North Carolina, USA (4 athletes participated)
• 2001 World Winter Games Alaska, USA (2 athletes participated)
• 2003 World Summer Games Dublin, Ireland
• 2007 World Summer Games Shanghai, China
• 2011 World Summer Games Athens, Greece
• 2014 World Winter Soon Gung Alaska, USA
• 2019 World Summer Abu Dhabi, UAE
• 2023 World Summer Berlin in Germany

REGIONAL EVENTS:
• 2006 5th MENA Regional Games, Dubai - United Arab Emirates
• 2018 8th MENA Regional Games, Abu Dhabi - United Arab Emirates
• 2020 1st Pan African Games, Cairo – Egypt

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OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:
Athlete Leadership, Healthy Athletes, Healthy Communities, Health Messengers, Family Health Forums

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