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Synchronised Swimming - Solo Free Routine

- Ona Carbonell (ESP) hopes to become the first non-Russian winner of solo free routine after Virginie Dedieu (FRA) in 2007.
- Carbonell claimed the bronze medal in 2013 and 2015. Gold medallists in these editions Natalia Ishchenko (RUS, 2015) and Svetlana Romashina (RUS, 2013) and runner-ups Huang Xuechen (CHN) will not compete in Budapest this time.
- A third medal of any colour for Carbonell will see her get close to Ishchenko (G3-S1), all-time top medallist in solo free at the World Championships.
- Russian swimmers have won four out of five solo free events at the World Championships (Ishchenko 3, Romashina 1).
- Svetlana Kolesnichenko (RUS) will try to retain the gold medal for Russia in Budapest.
- All previous 15 medals in solo free routine at the World Championships were won by swimmers from Russia, Spain or China, except for two. Virginie Dedieu (FRA) won this event for France in 2007 and Beatrice Adelizzi (ITA) took home the bronze for Italy in 2009.

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Diving - Women's 10m Platform

- Kim Kuk Hyang (PRK) won the world title in women's 10m platform in 2015 and could become the second diver to win consecutive gold medals in this event, after Fu Minxia (CHN) in 1991-1994.
- Fu is also the only diver to have won two world titles in this event. Si Yajie (CHN) could achieve the same as she won the title in 2013.
- China (7) and the United States (3) are the only countries to have won multiple world titles in women's 10m platform.
- Chinese divers have claimed 22 medals in this event at the World Championships (G7-S10-B5), at least 16 more than any other country (United States next, 6).
- The last medal for the United States in this event came in 2005, when Laura Wilkinson (USA) won the world title.
- The last three world titles have been won by divers younger than 19, since the gold medal for Paolo Espinosa (MEX) aged 22 at the 2009 FINA World Championships.
- Ren Qian (CHN) is the reigning Olympic champion from Rio de Janeiro - this century, only one title defender Olympic champion won the world title, Chen Ruolin (CHN) in 2011.
- Ren finished second in this event in 2015.

- Pandelega Rinong (MAS) finished in third place in this event in 2015, claiming the first individual medal for any diver representing Malaysia at the FINA World Championships. She has collected two bronze medals in women's 10m platform synchro.
- Only one European diver claimed a medal in this event at the last four editions of the World Championships: Yulia Prokopchuk (UKR) collected bronze in 2013.

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Open Water Swimming - Women's 5km

- Haley Anderson (USA) could win women's 5km for the third time in a row.
- This has only been achieved by Larissa Ilchenko (RUS) who won five times in a row (2004-2008) and Viola Valli (ITA, 3, 2001-2003).
- Ilchenko (5) and Valli (3) are the only athletes with more gold medals in this event than Anderson.
- United States could equal Russia on a record five world titles in the women's 5km. USA and Russia have each won a record nine medals in this event.
- Germany has won six medals in this event (G1-S1-B4), the last three were bronze in 2003, 2006 and 2015.
- Finnia Wunram (GER), bronze medallist of this event in 2015, and Leonie Beck (GER) hope to win silver for Germany.
- Brazil won five medals in women's 5km, the highest number of silver medals by a country which has not won any gold in this event. It is the only one among the three courses of women's events (5km, 10km, 25km) that Brazil has not won a gold medal in.
- Ana Marcela Cunha (BRA) claimed two bronze medals, in 2010 and 2013.
- Kalliopi Araouzou (GRE) took silver in this event at the World Championships in 2015. She also finished second in women's 5km at Lake Balaton at the 2010 European Championships and hopes to become the first Greek world champion in women's 5km.
- Aurélie Muller (FRA) took silver in women's 5km in 2011 and gold in 10km in 2015.
- Ilchenko was the last swimmer to win both women's 5km and 10km at the same World Championships, in 2006, 2007 and 2008. Valli (ITA) managed to do so in 2003.
- In 2003, 31-year-old Valli became the oldest winner of this event, she was more than twice as old as the youngest winner, 15-year-old Erica Rose (USA) in 1998.

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