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Derartu Tulu

Ethiopian Athlete & Sports Federation President

Derartu Tulu is an Ethiopian former long-distance runner who competed in track, cross country and road running up to marathon distance.

She became the first Ethiopian woman and first Black African woman to win Olympic gold, taking the 10,000m title at the 1992 Barcelona Games. After two years out with a knee injury, she returned to win gold at the 1995 IAAF World Cross Country Championships, despite arriving just an hour before the race after being stranded at Athens airport for 24 hours.

She served as President of the Ethiopian Athletics Federation from 2018 to 2024.

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