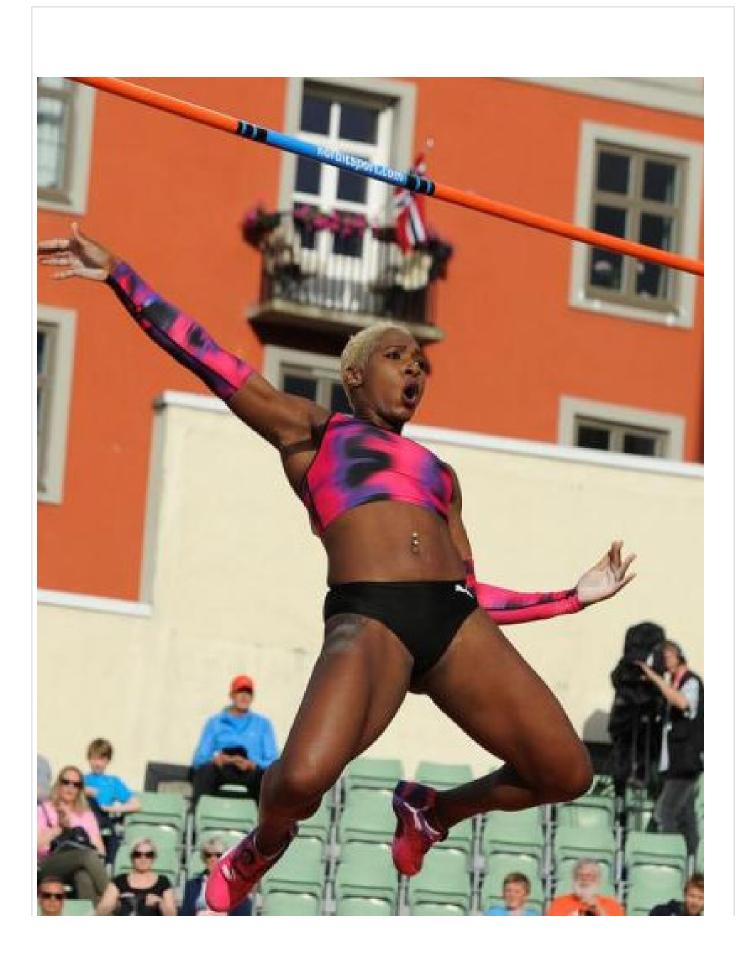
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Yarisley Silva, London 2012 Olympic runner-up and Beijing 2015 world champion, will make her fourth start of the year in the pole vault. In her three previous appearances, the garrochista laureate has managed to reach the podium, with a highlight for the most recent one in Val De Reuil, where she jumped 4.65 meters.

The American Katie Nageotte and the Russian Anzhelika Sidorova will meet again for a rematch of the Olympic final, in which the American beat the European.

In the men's triple jump, Cuban Lázaro Martínez will make his debut, in an event where Frenchman Benjamin Compaore is the favorite.

Yulimar Rojas, winner of the gold medal in Tokyo and of the Diamond League 2021, will compete this time in the long jump, after finishing second in the Spanish Club Indoor Championships.

Another attraction in Lievin will be the Italian sprinter Marcell Jacobs, Olympic titleholder of the 100m and the 4×100 relay in the Japanese capital, who will compete in the 60m.

The European continues his European tour that has already taken him to Berlin, and to Lodz in Poland, where he clocked 6.49 on February 11, on his way to the World Indoor Championships, scheduled for March 18-20 in Belgrade.

On Thursday, the 27-year-old Italian will have as his main rivals the American Ronnie Baker, Olympic finalist, and the Frenchman Jimmy Vicaut.

In the 60m hurdles, the world record holder Grant Holloway (7.29 seconds) will be the main contender, and in the 1500m, the Norwegian middle-distance runner Jakob Ingebrigtsen.

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