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Rwanda will compete at the 2nd Summer Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing, China

Over 3,600 young athletes aged 15 to 18 from over 200 National Olympic Committees (NOCs) will be in Nanjing, China, from August 16-28, 2014 to compete in the second edition of the Summer Youth Olympic Games (YOG).

This year's event will feature 28 sports, including golf and rugby sevens, which will make their debut before their inclusion at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. Also on the sports programme will be disciplines such as 3-on-3 basketball and 5-a-side hockey, as well as mixed gender and mixed NOC events.

Some new sports and disciplines not currently on the Olympic programme will also be showcased following an IOC Executive Board decision in December 2013. Sport climbing, roller sports and skateboarding will join wushu, which was already planned to feature in Nanjing.

The young participants will have the opportunity to take part in a unique Culture and Education Programme (CEP) off the field of play that will focus on themes ranging from Olympism and the Olympic values to skills development and how to lead healthy lifestyles.

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