

## Local players have also the right to play

*No less than four players affiliated to the local Federation and no more than two players with a transfer certificate issued by a different Federation of origin to be admitted on the court. A proposal to the next Board of the FIVB.*

The Rally Point System was a Copernican revolution, bringing the sideout-era to a modern sport with a more suitable game timing for TV and live spectators. Now the year 2008 could see Volleyball facing another outstanding step into the future. It could be a new revolution for the sport, especially because the FIVB is the first International Sport Organization to face frontally the problem of national sport identity.

The FIVB is considering a proposal to require that no more than three players with a transfer certificate issued by a different Federation of origin may be registered by a Volleyball Club and only two of them could be on the court playing at the same time. The rule will apply to all Clubs involved in National, Continental and/or World Competitions.

This proposal has been made after numerous complaints from National Federations who face difficulties in finding enough experienced players for their National teams and its purpose is to support and facilitate the access of young players coming from the local sport programmes to top Volleyball competitions and their participation in National and International Volleyball Clubs competitions and consequently to benefit their National teams.

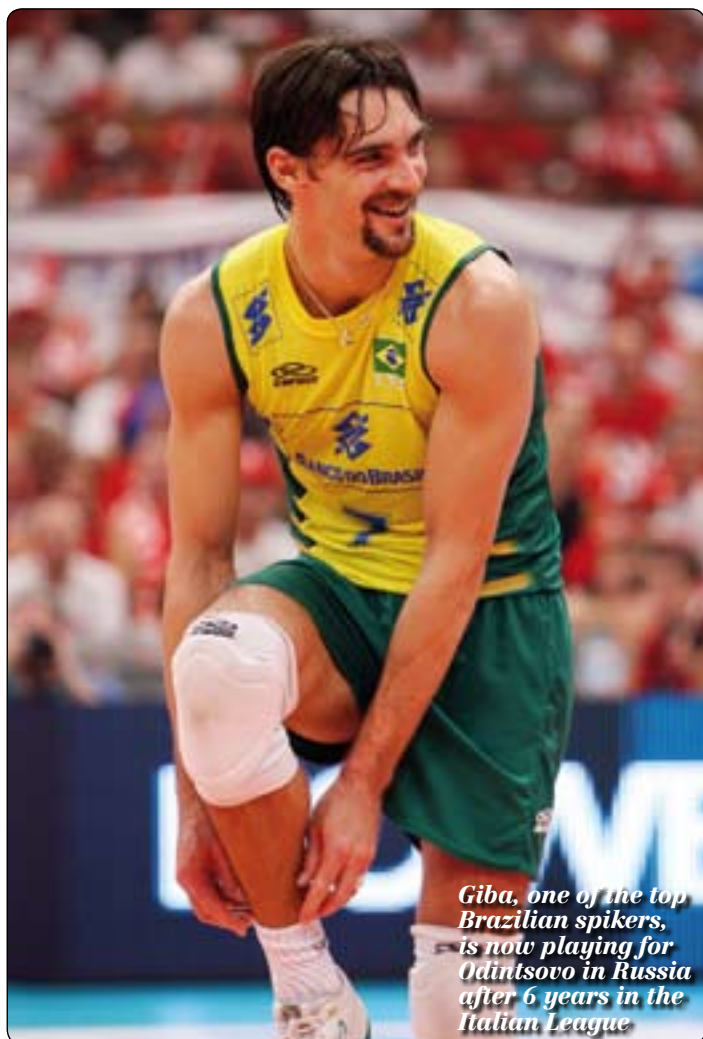
The measure goes in the same direction as the new treaty signed in Portugal by the member countries of the European Union but the measure is aimed at supporting many other countries.

*"We're at the beginning of a decisional process that the Board will examine next year" says the FIVB President, Dr. Rubén Acosta. "Having a strong National League in every country is part of our Vision, which is the development of young local players that we plan for all our Federations. Many different nations have started this process, but some*



*The FIVB President, Dr. Rubén Acosta H.*

*stronger Leagues, like Serie A in Italy, have most of their clubs with a few players originally promoted from the local sport system and too many athletes coming from other National Federations. We intend to help each country's technical development of local stars if we manage to establish a reasonable number of players having a transfer certificate. National Federations need more space in the 12's of each team for their own youth. For the next FIVB Board of Administration, it will be a tough discussion but a crucial point for the future of our sport."*



*Giba, one of the top Brazilian spikers, is now playing for Odintsovo in Russia after 6 years in the Italian League*

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## VOLLEYBALL MEN

### FIVB World Cup 2007 Men's competition in Japan

From November 18th to December 2nd, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Egypt, Japan, Korea, Puerto Rico, Russia, Spain, Tunisia, U.S.A. will be the 12 teams competing with the round robin system for the World Cup in Japan.

The aim is not only to conquer the prestigious World Cup, which the FIVB organizes every four years. Every team's dream is to reach the podium, because this grants the first three places for the 2008 Olympic Games.

While the Women's tournament is assigning its three Olympic berths, 12 of the most outstanding Men's teams on the planet are ready to find their way to Beijing.

A complete Media Guide of the event is distributed to the Press in Japan, and it is downloadable from the FIVB website, under the heading World Cup. The new schedule in this page reports the last updates as for Broadcasters requests.



*Priddy (left) of the U.S.A. spikes against Volkov and Pottavsky of Russia*



*Kaziyski (left) of Bulgaria spikes against Gustavo and Nascimento of Brazil*

## 2007 World Cup Men Entries

<b>1 Japan</b>	Host Country	
<b>2 Spain</b>	European Champion	
<b>3 U.S.A.</b>	Norceca Champion	
<b>4 Brazil</b>	South America Champion	
<b>5 Australia</b>	Asia Champion	
<b>6 Egypt</b>	Africa Champion	
<b>7 Russia</b>	Europe Vice-Champion	
<b>8 Puerto Rico</b>	Norceca Vice-Champion	
<b>9 Argentina</b>	South America Vice-Champion	
<b>10 Tunisia</b>	Africa Vice-Champion	
<b>11 Bulgaria</b>	FIVB Wild card	
<b>12 Korea</b>	FIVB Wild card	

## Men's World Cup Honours - Medals

Year	Location	1st	2nd	3rd
2003	Tokyo	Brazil	Italy	Serbia & Mont.
1999	Tokyo	Russia	Cuba	Italy
1995	Tokyo	Italy	Netherlands	Brazil
1991	Tokyo	U.S.S.R.	Cuba	USA
1989	Tokyo	Cuba	Italy	U.S.S.R.
1985	Tokyo	U.S.A.	U.S.S.R.	Czechoslovakia
1981	Tokyo	U.S.S.R.	Cuba	Brazil
1977	Tokyo	U.S.S.R.	Japan	Cuba
1969	Berlin (DDR)	D.D.R.	Japan	U.S.S.R.
1965	Warsaw	U.S.S.R.	Poland	Czechoslovakia

## MEN'S Schedule (Single Round Robin 18th Nov - 2nd Dec 2007)

	Site A				Site B					
	Date	Gymnasium	No.	Time	Match	Gymnasium	No.	Time	Match	
Phase 1	18 Nov (Sun.)	SAITAMA (Saitama Super Arena)	1	13:00	AUS - KOR	MATSUMOTO (Matsumoto City General Gymnasium)	4	12:30	EGY - PUR	
			2	15:30	ARG - RUS		5	15:00	BUL - ESP	
			3	18:30	JPN - TUN		6	18:00	BRA - USA	
	19 Nov (Mon.)	SAITAMA (Saitama Super Arena)	7	12:30	AUS - RUS	MATSUMOTO (Matsumoto City General Gymnasium)	10	13:00	BUL - EGY	
			8	15:00	ARG - TUN		11	15:30	PUR - USA	
	20 Nov (Tue.)	SAITAMA (Saitama Super Arena)	9	18:00	JPN - KOR	MATSUMOTO (Matsumoto City General Gymnasium)	12	18:30	BRA - ESP	
13			12:30	RUS - TUN	16		13:00	BUL - PUR		
14			15:00	ARG - KOR	17		15:30	ESP - USA		
Phase 2	22 Nov (Thu.)	HIROSHIMA* (Hiroshima Green Arena)	19	12:30	KOR - RUS	TOYAMA (Toyama City General Gymnasium)	22	13:30	EGY - ESP	
			20	15:00	AUS - TUN		23	15:30	BRA - PUR	
			21	18:00	JPN - ARG		24	18:30	BUL - USA	
	23 Nov (Fri.)	HIROSHIMA* (Hiroshima Green Arena)	25	12:30	KOR - TUN	TOYAMA (Toyama City General Gymnasium)	28	12:00	ESP - PUR	
			26	15:00	ARG - AUS		29	15:00	BRA - BUL	
			27	18:00	JPN - RUS		30	18:00	EGY - USA	
Phase 3	25 Nov (Sun.)	FUKUOKA (Marine Messe Fukuoka)	31	12:30	ARG - PUR	OKAYAMA (Momotaro Arena)	34	12:30	TUN - USA	
			32	15:00	ESP - RUS		35	15:00	BUL - KOR	
			33	18:00	JPN - EGY		36	18:00	BRA - AUS	
	26 Nov (Mon.)	FUKUOKA (Marine Messe Fukuoka)	37	12:30	ARG - ESP	OKAYAMA (Momotaro Arena)	40	13:00	KOR - USA	
			38	15:00	EGY - RUS		41	15:30	AUS - BUL	
			39	18:00	JPN - PUR		42	18:30	BRA - TUN	
27 Nov (Tue.)	FUKUOKA (Marine Messe Fukuoka)	43	12:30	ARG - EGY	OKAYAMA (Momotaro Arena)	46	13:00	AUS - USA		
		44	15:00	PUR - RUS		47	15:30	BUL - TUN		
Phase 4	30 Nov (Fri.)	TOKYO (Tokyo Metropolitan Gymnasium)	49	14:00	ARG - BRA	TOKYO (Komazawa Gymnasium)	52	12:30	PUR - TUN	
			50	16:45	BUL - RUS		53	15:00	EGY - KOR	
			51	19:30	JPN - USA		54	18:00	AUS - ESP	
	1 Dec (Sat.)	TOKYO (Tokyo Metropolitan Gymnasium)	55	14:00	ARG - USA	TOKYO (Komazawa Gymnasium)	58	12:30	EGY - TUN	
			56	16:30	BRA - RUS		59	15:00	ESP - KOR	
	2 Dec (Sun.)	TOKYO (Tokyo Metropolitan Gymnasium)	57	19:30	JPN - BUL	TOKYO (Komazawa Gymnasium)	60	18:00	AUS - PUR	
61			14:00	ARG - BUL	64		12:00	ESP - TUN		
			62	16:30	RUS - USA	65	14:30	KOR - PUR		
			63	19:30	JPN - BRA	66	17:30	AUS - EGY		
			Awarding Ceremony				Awarding Ceremony			

\* Hiroshima Green Arena = Hiroshima Prefectural Sports Center



FIVB

## The FIVB Commissions gathered in Lausanne in September: several innovations are expected for next season

**Dr. Rubén Acosta H., President of the FIVB, has personally opened all the Commissions meetings held in Lausanne during the month of September and the beginning of October.**

The President welcomed the new members at their debut of their duties after being elected by the World Congress in Tokyo.

This month has always represented the beginning of the decisional process for the FIVB life: the Commissions' proposals are summarized, submitted to the Board of Administration and afterwards to the World Congress for the final approval.

Therefore all the Commissions, as well as the different Councils which held their meeting between September and the beginning of October, have already completed their reports and several innovations are expected for next season.

The Technical and Coaching Commissions are also undertaking major projects which were discussed in a joint meeting. An extraordinary technical video gallery based on the 2006 World Championships, which can be used for educational purposes, is a result of past meetings and can be downloaded for free from the FIVB website.

The Sports Events Council and the World League Council have examined the calendar for the forthcoming years.

The World League Council, presided for the first time by Francesco Franchi, has elected Brazil as the organizer of the 2008 final, while the World Grand Prix Council

The Rules of the Game Commission examined the game in all its shapes under the microscope.

No major changes: they simply specified the rule of the "Joust" (after two opposing players touch the ball simultaneously above the net, the rally can continue) and examined the test results regarding the Quick Substitution, experimented during the World League.

Old and new rules studied by the Refereeing Commission are enforced by thousands of referees. During its 2007 meet-



*FIVB President, Dr. Rubén Acosta H., with the new President of the World League Council, Francesco Franchi*



*President Acosta and the members of the TV & New Media Commission*

The Development Commission provided the guidelines for the coming years, always following the FIVB Vision, which would like to bring Volleyball and Beach Volleyball to all the corners of the planet.

The Legal Commission has prepared a new document, which sets the basis for the next elections and contains significant corporate audit proposals.

The mainstay of FIVB Communication is the annual Press Commission meeting, anticipated by the Confederations' Press Officers meeting: this represents, in fact, an "enlarged office" of the FIVB Press Office. The Press Commission, enriched by new members, has outlined current issues and made suggestions for the important upcoming events, among which are the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing.

had already organized its meeting in China and planned the next final in Japan.

The new multimedia technology has played a prominent role during the TV & New Media Commission meeting, which investigated in detail the techniques of Volleyball television production. The World League TV Host Broadcaster meeting has also dealt with television broadcasting issues. The excellent initiative of the "Match of the Week", a match broadcasted free of charge for any interested TV company, will continue to spread the great Men's Volleyball event next season, in as many countries as possible.

ing the new list of referees candidates was prepared for the FIVB role.

The Medical Commission has dealt with sports medicine and has planned for the future the creation of an identical organization for the 5 Confederations.

Sand is the playground for the Beach Volleyball World Council and its special wide range Commission: the Beach Volleyball Permanent Committee. After closing a brilliant 2007 season with the outstanding SWATCH FIVB World Championships in Gstaad, the 2008 season is already promising great news, not only related to the worldwide expectations for the fourth Olympics in the history of this sport.

All the FIVB Commissions' compositions are published on the FIVB website:

**[www.fivb.org/EN/FIVB/Org\\_commissions.asp](http://www.fivb.org/EN/FIVB/Org_commissions.asp)**



*President Acosta, with the President of the Beach Volleyball World Council, Christopher St-J. Smith*



## BEACH VOLLEYBALL MEN

### 2007 SWATCH FIVB World Tour The best of the season

**Led by Brazilian Ricardo Santos, the top men's players on the 2007 SWATCH FIVB World Tour were announced based on the results of the voting by SWATCH representatives, players, coaches, referees and officials associated with the international Beach Volleyball circuit.**

For the second time in three seasons, Ricardo was recognized as the SWATCH Most Outstanding Player for 2007 season at the year's last double gender event at the end of September in Fortaleza (Brazil). The women's post-season awards will be announced after their final event in Phuket (Thailand).

The men's SWATCH Most Outstanding Player was selected by representatives from SWATCH and the FIVB, who also selected Igor Kolodinsky as the SWATCH top server for the 2007 season as the Russian twice recorded record serves of 110 km/h.

Ricardo, who teamed with Emanuel Rego to win a fifth-straight SWATCH team-of-the-year award by capturing the 2007 point's championship, was also honored for the third-straight year as the top offensive player on the international Beach Volleyball tour. He also finished second in the balloting as the top hitter and blocker, and received mention as the inspirational and top sportsman in 2007. Ricardo was also voted as the 2005 SWATCH top hitter.

*"It is always an honor to be recognized as the top player," said the 32-year old Ricardo. "However, I have a great partner that inspires me a lot. I share this award with*

*him like he has shared his awards with me. We are a team that plays off of each other's energy and takes advantage of our individual abilities. We are fortunate to have each other."*

A reigning Olympic champion and 2003 SWATCH FIVB World champion with Emanuel, Ricardo and his partner completed the 2007 season by winning seven gold medals with eight podium placements, nine "final four" appearances, a 75-18 match mark and USD 347,500 in earnings.

The SWATCH most outstanding player at 2007 events in Montreal (Canada), Klagenfurt (Austria), Kristiansand (Norway) and Stare Jablonki (Poland), Ricardo ranks second all-time in gold medals and earnings in the 21-year history of the men's tour behind Emanuel.

In completing his 10th full-season on the SWATCH FIVB World Tour, Ricardo has compiled 47 FIVB gold medals, 83 podium placements, 94 "final four" appearances and USD 1,237,470 in earnings for 131 international events. In addition, Ricardo teamed with Emanuel to capture the 2007 Pan American gold medal this past July in Rio de Janeiro.

Emanuel has 67 FIVB titles and USD 1,830,385 in earnings with 121 medals and 130 "final four" finishes in 173 career starts. While Emanuel has compiled an 861-193 match mark in his 14 FIVB seasons with eight different partners, Ricardo has a 650-158 career record with five different teammates.



*Igor Kolodinsky of Russia (right) spikes against Sean Scott of the U.S.A. (left)*

The 34-year old Emanuel finished second in the 2007 inspirational voting while placing third in the sportsman, offensive and hitting balloting along with receiving votes as a top defender. He was the most outstanding player (2006), top hitter (2006) and sportsman (2005) in previous SWATCH seasons.

The unanimous pick as the 2007 SWATCH rookie-of-the-year, Kolodinsky posted 46 of the 57 "good" serves over 100.0 km/h this season. The Russian had 16 of the top 17 centre court serves this season with only Germany's Eric Koreng (109.4) breaking the Russian string at the Austrian Grand Slam event.

Russia's Dmitri Barsouk and China's Linyin Xu tied for the most improved player award on the 2007 SWATCH tour. Barsouk and Kolodinsky finished third in SWATCH points behind Emanuel/Ricardo and Brazilians Marcio Araujo/Fabio Magalhaes while placing second at the 2007 SWATCH FIVB World Championships for the first of two gold medal appearances this past season.

Xu and Penggen Wu were sixth in SWATCH points and had a grand slam bronze medal finish in Norway where the Chinese defeated Barsouk and Kolodinsky in the third-place match. Xu was second in the sportsman balloting and received votes as a top offensive player. Wu also received votes as a top hitter.

Franco Neto, who at 40 became the oldest player to win a SWATCH FIVB World Tour event when he and Pedro Cunha teamed to capture a gold medal this past July at Marseille (France), was named the most inspirational and top sportsman for the second-straight season.

Americans Phil Dalhausser and Todd Rogers, who captured the 2007 SWATCH FIVB World Championships this past July in Gstaad (Switzerland), combined



*2007 SWATCH most outstanding player Ricardo Santos (right) with Brazilian partner Emanuel Rego (left) and Nadia Waelti of SWATCH*



to finish atop the balloting in three categories. Dalhausser was named the top SWATCH blocker for the second-straight season while being named the best hitter. Dalhausser also won the tour's most improved player in 2006.

Rogers won the top defensive award in 2007 after tying Argentina's Martin Conde for the 2006 honor. Rogers also finished second in the 2007 voting for top setter to Marcio Araujo after sharing the award in 2006 with the Brazilian and winning it outright in 2005.

Two of the women's SWATCH FIVB World Tour awards have been determined with the other honors to be announced after the Phuket finale. Kerri Walsh of the United States has secured the SWATCH most outstanding player award after being named an event MOP for the fifth-time this at the last FIVB double event of the season at the end of September in Fortaleza.

With a silver medal finish in Fortaleza, Brazilians Juliana Felisberta Silva and Larissa Franca clinched their third-straight SWATCH team-of-the-year award by capturing the 2007 point's championship. The young Brazilians won five of their 13 FIVB appearances this season with USD 328,400 in winnings.

## Men's SWATCH FIVB World Tour Post-Season Awards 2007

### Most Improved Player

1. Linyin Xu, China
2. Dmitri Barsouk, Russia
3. Riccardo Bizzotto, Italy
- Reinder Nummerdor, Netherlands
- Florian Gosch, Austria

*Also receiving votes* - Renato "Geor" Gomes, Georgia, Alexander Horst, Austria, Bram Ronnes, Netherlands, Shun Zhou, China, Emiel Boersma, Netherlands, Tarjei Skarlund, Norway, Peter Gartmayer, Austria, Pedro Salgado,



40-year old Fortaleza native Franco Neto of Brazil

Brazil, Richard Schuil, Netherlands, Penggen Wu, China, Jorge "Gia" Terceiro, Georgia, Clemens Doppler, Austria, Rivo Vesik, Estonia, Kristjan Kais, Estonia and Jian Li, China

### Most Inspirational

1. Franco Neto, Brazil
2. Emanuel Rego, Brazil
3. Mark Heese, Canada
- Martin Conde, Argentina

*Also receiving votes* - Stein Metzger, United States, Ricardo Santos, Brazil, Clemens Doppler, Austria, Andrew Schacht, Australia, Reinder Nummerdor, Netherlands, Linyin Xu, China

### Rookie of the Year

1. Igor Kolodinsky, Russia
2. Leonel Munder, Cuba
3. Alexander Horst, Austria
- Mischa Urbatzka, Germany

*Also receiving votes* - Pedro Salgado, Brazil, Bram Ronnes, Netherlands, Martins Plavins, Latvia

### Sportsman of the Year

1. Franco Neto, Brazil
2. Linyin Xu, China
3. Emanuel Rego, Brazil
- Rivo Vesik, Estonia

*Also receiving votes* - Marcio Araujo, Brazil, Ricardo Santos, Brazil, Kirk Pitman, New Zealand, David Klempere, Germany, Clemens Doppler, Austria, Todd Rogers, United States, Igor Kolodinsky, Russia, Richard Schuil, Netherlands

### Best Defensive Player

1. Todd Rogers, United States
2. Marcio Araujo, Brazil
3. Martin Conde, Argentina
- Kristjan Kais, Estonia

*Also receiving votes* - Emanuel Rego, Brazil, Francisco Alvarez, Cuba, Mark Heese, Canada, Andrew Schacht, Australia, Harley Marques, Brazil, David Klempere, Germany

### Best Offensive Player

1. Ricardo Santos, Brazil
2. Harley Marques, Brazil
3. Emanuel Rego, Brazil
- Marcio Araujo, Brazil

*Also receiving votes* - Phil Dalhausser, United States, Andrew Schacht, Australia, Todd Rogers, United States, Clemens Doppler, Austria, Dmitri Barsouk, Russia, Linyin Xu, China

### Best Blocker

1. Phil Dalhausser, United States
2. Ricardo Santos, Brazil
3. Fabio Magalhaes, Brazil
- Jonas Reckerman, Germany

*Also receiving votes* - Florian Gosch, Austria, Joshua Slack, Australia, Mike Lambert, United States, Franco Neto, Brazil

### Best Setter

1. Marcio Araujo, Brazil
2. Todd Rogers, United States
3. Jorre Kjemperud, Norway
- Martin Conde, Argentina

*Also receiving votes* - Phil Dalhausser, United States, Joshua Slack, Australia, Harley Marques, Brazil, Jonas Reckermann, Germany, Mark Heese, Canada

### Best Hitter

1. Phil Dalhausser, United States
  2. Ricardo Santos, Brazil
  3. Emanuel Rego, Brazil
- Also receiving votes* - Harley Marques, Brazil,



Phil Dalhausser (right) and Todd Rogers of the U.S.A.

Marcio Araujo, Brazil, Fabio Magalhaes, Brazil, Joshua Slack, Australia, Igor Kolodinsky, Russia, Clemens Doppler, Austria, Penggen Wu, China

## Men's SWATCH FIVB World Tour Award Winners 2005-2007

### Most Outstanding

- 2007 - Ricardo Santos, Brazil
- 2006 - Emanuel Rego, Brazil
- 2005 - Ricardo, Brazil

### Best Blocker

- 2007 - Phil Dalhausser, United States
- 2006 - Dalhausser, United States
- 2005 - Fabio Magalhaes, Brazil

### Best Defensive Player

- 2007 - Todd Rogers, United States
- 2006 - Conde, Argentina & Rogers, U.S.A.
- 2005 - Marcio Araujo, Brazil

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Todd Rogers of the U.S.A. receives



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### Best Hitter

- 2007 - Phil Dalhausser, United States
- 2006 - Emanuel, Brazil
- 2005 - Ricardo, Brazil

### Best Offensive Player

- 2007 - Ricardo, Brazil
- 2006 - Ricardo, Brazil
- 2005 - Ricardo, Brazil

### Best Server

- 2007 - Igor Kolodinsky, Russia
- 2006 - Iver Horrem, Norway
- 2005 - Conrad Leinemann, Canada

### Best Setter

- 2007 - Marcio Araujo, Brazil
- 2006 - M. Araujo, Brazil & Rogers, U.S.A.
- 2005 - Rogers, United States

### Most Improved Player

- 2007 - D. Barsouk, Russia & L. Xu, China
- 2006 - Dalhausser, United States
- 2005 - Fabio, Brazil

### Most Inspirational

- 2007 - Franco Neto Brazil
- 2006 - Franco, Brazil
- 2005 - Mark Heese, Canada

### Sportsperson

- 2007 - Franco, Brazil
- 2006 - Franco, Brazil
- 2005 - Emanuel, Brazil

### Team of the Year

- 2007 - Emanuel/Ricardo, Brazil
- 2006 - Emanuel/Ricardo, Brazil
- 2005 - Emanuel/Ricardo, Brazil

### Top Rookie

- 2007 - Igor Kolodinsky, Russia
- 2006 - Sean Rosenthal, United States
- 2005 - M. Varnier, Italy & J. Gibb, U.S.A.

### Men's SWATCH FIVB World Tour Points Champions

Season	Team, Country
1989-90	Sinjin Smith/R. Stoklos, U.S.A.
1990-91	Smith/Stoklos, United States
1991-92	Smith/Stoklos, United States
1992-93	Smith/Stoklos, United States
1993-94	Franco/Roberto Lopes, Brazil
1994-95	Kvalheim/Maaseide, Norway
1995-96	Franco/Roberto Lopes, Brazil
1996	Ze Marco/Emanuel Rego, Brazil
1997	Ze Marco/Emanuel, Brazil
1998	P. Ferreira /G. Marquez, Brazil
1999	Emanuel/Jose Loiola, Brazil
2000	Ze Marco/Ricardo Santos, Brazil
2001	Emanuel/Tande Ramos, Brazil
2002	Baracetti/Conde, Argentina
2003	Emanuel/Ricardo, Brazil
2004	Emanuel/Ricardo, Brazil
2005	Emanuel/Ricardo, Brazil
2006	Emanuel/Ricardo, Brazil
2007	Emanuel/Ricardo, Brazil

## DEVELOPMENT

### Volleyball for All

#### The first All Festival reached all continents

The first Volley All Festival took place this summer and during the meeting of the FIVB Development Commission in September it was revealed that 44 National Federations joined forces in this year's event. The overall reports from the participating National Federations showed that many of them are conducting large mass Volleyball events where thousands of youngsters took part in Volleyball and Beach Volleyball matches.

principle was to endorse fun and entertainment for everybody.

The FIVB Development Commission is closely following up on the mass Volleyball concept and how to organize mass Volleyball events. It is foreseen that several courses related to the mass Volleyball strategy will be organized in 2008 in various Development Centres. This year's photo is from the Volley All Festival in Germany which truly shows the spirit of how



The 2007 Volley for All Festival in Germany

In many of the participating countries the events were covered by both national and private TV stations as well as the written press. In many cases the Volley All Festival also attracted local sponsors to work with the National Federations organizing this spectacular open and free activity for children who received t-shirts, caps, posters and balls for their participation. This first Volley All Festival reached all Continents and of course different approaches and methods were applied but the main

to prepare mass Volleyball courts. The FIVB Development Commission was very satisfied with the initiative of the German Volleyball Federation and with the quality of the event.

The promotion made by the Argentinian Volleyball Federation must also be acknowledged as the poster they designed for the Volley All festival showed both passion and art. Proper communication and advertising are key factors when selling an event to the sponsors and to the public. In Haiti another surprise story from this year's event showed that the venue is not always the obstacle but rather the place where the opportunity lies. In the park called Champ de Mars 30 trucks moved tons of sand to play Beach Volleyball in a recreational park. The event also attracted the Mayor of Port-au-Prince as well as the Minister of Sports in this two-day event where more than 40,000 people enjoyed the mass Volley atmosphere.

The next Volley All Festival will take place next year in the week before or after July 1st, 2008 and this event is open for all FIVB National Federations.

**Let's keep the ball flying!**

## All Contributions Welcome!

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# QuickSets



*Olympic Champion  
Mauricio Lima*

### A VIP Beach Volleyball match

After the 3rd IOC International Athletes' Forum, a VIP Beach Volleyball match played by sports stars.

Andrea Zorzi, the former Italian Volleyball World Champion in 1990 and 1994, was the FIVB representative athlete at the 3rd IOC International Athletes' Forum in Dubai, last October 2007.

The meeting was organized to support athletes at the end of their career, and help them exploit their value. The main aim was to reinforce the athletes' world network, considered a top priority for sport. Zorzi was involved in one of the three working groups, which was focused on athletes' involvement in the Olympic Games preparation.

After two days of meetings, a group of world top medal winners enjoyed sports facilities in Dubai playing a super VIP Beach Volleyball tournament: Beach Volleyball is one of the newest Olympic Sports, but its popularity is outstanding even among other sports champions.

Different teams led by former U.S.A. spiker Bob Ctvrtlik, Brazilian Volleyball star and two times Olympic champion Mauricio Lima and Andrea Zorzi fought friendly for this very peculiar medal. Pole vaulter Sergey Bubka, the high jumper Dick Fosbury (inventor of the Fosbury flop), track and field specialists Hicham El Guerrouj and Frank Fredericks, swimmer Alexander Popov and many others world top athletes used the yellow and blue Mikasa to share their talents, using Beach Volleyball skills as a common sports language.



*The famous high jumper  
Dick Fosbury passing the Mikasa  
ball beside Andrea Zorzi*

## Technical Courses & Seminars Calendar - November-December 2007

DATES	COURSE	PLACE	SPONSOR
November 1-7	Refereeing IRCC	Sudan	FIVB
November 3-7	Middle Player	Bahrain	FIVB
Nov. 7-11	Refereeing Refresher	Tunisia	FIVB
Nov. 15-21	Middle Player	Dominican Republic	FIVB
Dec.1-13	Coach Level II	Iran	FIVB

## Volleyball Cooperation Programme Calendar - November-December 2007

DATES	COURSE	PLACE
November 1-6	Beach Volleyball	Republic of Palau

## 2007 Global Calendar - Competitions and Events - Volleyball & Beach Volleyball

DATES	EVENT	COUNTRY	ORG.	M/W
Nov. 2-16	Women World Cup 2007	Japan	FIVB	W
Nov. 7-11	Continental European Qualification for the 2008 Olympic Games Women's 2nd round 3 Pre-Qualification Tournaments	Gabrovo, Bulgaria Ankara, Turkey Eindhoven, The Netherlands	CEV	W
Nov. 9-11	Spike Festival	Cayman Islands	NORCECA	M/W
Nov. 12-18	Leeward Island Tournament	Antigua	NORCECA	M/W
Nov. 18-Dec. 2	Men World Cup 2007	Japan	FIVB	M
Nov. 24-25	Challenge Cup Women - Round 2 - Home	Various	CEV	W
Nov. 24-25	CEV Cup Women - 1/16 Finals - Home	Various	CEV	W
Nov. 27-29	Indesit European Champions League 1st Leg - League Round	Various	CEV	W
Nov. 28- Dec. 2	Continental European Qualification for the 2008 Olympic Games Men's 2nd Round 3 Pre-Qualification Tournaments	Catania, Italy Evora, Portugal Szombathely, Hungary	CEV	M
Nov. 30- Dec. 9	U-19 Central American Championship	El Salvador	NORCECA	M
Dec. 1-2	Challenge Cup Women - Round 2 - Away	Various	CEV	W
Dec. 1-2	CEV Cup Women - 1/16 Finals - Away	Various	CEV	W
Dec. 1-15	18th Coupe d'Afrique des Coupes	Nigeria / Algérie	CAVB	W
Dec. 4-6	Indesit European Champions League 2nd Leg - League Round	Various	CEV	W
Dec. 11-13	Indesit European Champions League 3rd Leg - League Round	Various	CEV	W
Dec. 11-13	Challenge Cup Men - Round 3 - Home	Various	CEV	M
Dec. 11-13	CEV Cup Women - 1/8 Finals - Home	Various	CEV	W
Dec. 11-13	CEV Cup Men - 1/8 Finals	Various	CEV	M
Dec. 11-13	Indesit European Champions League 3rd Leg - League Round	Various	CEV	M
Dec. 14-22	Continental Olympic Qualification Tournament	Monterrey, Mexico	NORCECA	W
Dec. 15-16	Challenge Cup Women - Round 3 - Home	Various	CEV	W
Dec. 15-30	19th Coupe d'Afrique des Coupes	Maurice	CAVB	M
Dec. 18-20	Indesit European Champions League 4th Leg - League Round	Various	CEV	W
Dec. 18-20	Challenge Cup Men - Round 3 - Away	Various	CEV	M
Dec. 18-20	CEV Cup Women - 1/8 Finals - Away	Various	CEV	W
Dec. 18-20	CEV Cup Men - 1/8 Finals - Away	Various	CEV	M
Dec. 18-20	Indesit European Champions League 4th Leg - League Round	Various	CEV	M
Dec. 22-23	Challenge Cup Women - Round 3 - Away	Various	CEV	W

### FIVB Homologated sports material & equipments 2007 - 2008

#### FIVB EXCLUSIVE APPROVED VOLLEYBALL BALLS

**MIKASA MVP 200** (colour, synthetic leather)  
**Exclusive game ball for all FIVB Competitions incl. OG 2008**

#### FIVB APPROVED VOLLEYBALL BALLS

**MIKASA MVP 200NC** (colour, synthetic leather)

**MOLTEN IV5XC (MTV5SLIT)** (colour, synthetic leather)

**GALA BV 5091S** (colour, synthetic leather)

**CAMBUCCI "Penalty" Volley Pro 6.0** (colour, synthetic leather)

**QUINGDAO-SYNSHEEN "Star" VB 205-34** (colour, synthetic leather)

**NATIONMAN 9900 PROFIT** (colour, synthetic leather)

**MONDO MONDO 5MF-Pro** (colour, synthetic leather)

#### FIVB OFFICIAL INSPECTED VOLLEYBALL BALLS

**MIKASA SV-2 School**  
**MIKASA VP500 Park Volley**

#### BEACH VOLLEYBALL BALLS

**MIKASA VLS 200 (colour) Beach**  
**Exclusive game ball for all FIVB Competitions incl. OG 2008**

**MOLTEN BV5000 (colour) Beach**

#### HOMOLOGATED POSTS, PADS, ANTENNAE, NETS, REFEREE CHAIR

**SENOH**  
**Posts, pads, nets with antennae & referees' chairs are exclusive for all FIVB Competitions incl. OG 2008**

**National Federations are requested to select material from the list of the FIVB approved sports material**

#### SHOES AND UNIFORMS

**ADIDAS** Shoes & uniforms

**ASICS** Shoes & uniforms

**CHAMPION** Uniforms

**DACAPO** Uniforms

**DESCENTE** Shoes & uniforms

**MIKASA** Uniforms  
**International Referees supplier for Volleyball**

**MIZUNO** Shoes & uniforms

**NIKE** Shoes & uniforms

**OLYMPIKUS** Shoes & uniforms

**TOPPER** Uniforms

#### FIVB APPROVED SYNTHETIC SPORTS FLOORS

**TARAFLEX**  
**Exclusive for all FIVB Competitions incl. OG 2008**

**TARAFLEX**  
**Taraflex Sport M Plus**  
**(7 mm thickness colour Teal 6431 and Coral 6146) over wood sub floors or synthetic sub floors**

**Taraflex Sport Performance Plus**  
**(9 mm thickness same colours as above) over concrete sub floors**

**MONDO**  
**MONDOFLEX**  
**Blue Laguna H23 + Rose Flamingo H41**

#### FIVB RECOMMENDED SYNTHETIC SPORTS FLOORS

**MONDO**  
**MONDOSPORT HP-E PVC indoor floor**  
**Blue Laguna H23 + Rose Flamingo H41**