



FIVB WORLD LEAGUE REVIEWS WEEK 9, FINAL SIX – JULY 16-20, 2014

USA - Brazil 3-1

- USA win the World League for the second time and for the first time since 2008, when they beat Serbia also by 3-1.
- USA become the fourth nation with multiple WL gold medals, after Brazil (9), Italy (8) and Russia (3).
- Silver medallists Brazil have amassed a record breaking 18th WL medal - 9 gold, 5 silver and 4 bronze.
- Brazil have now been losing finalists in three of the last four World League editions (2011, 2013 and 2012).
- Brazil have scored 12% of their total number of points in Florence from blocks (42 of 361), this is the highest percentage of all teams in the Final Six. USA follow with 9% (32 of 341).
- USA have scored 8% of their total number of points in Florence from serves (27 of 341 points), this is the highest percentage of all teams in the Final Six.
- USA's Taylor Sander scored 24 points in the final vs Brazil to bring his total in the Final Six on 66. Only Iran's Ghafour scored more (71). Matthew Anderson (USA) is ranked third scoring 64 points in the Final Six tournament.

Italy - Iran 3-0

- Italy claim bronze in the World League for the second year in a row. They had not reached the podium in eight straight campaigns prior to 2013.
- Italy are now on a total of 15 World League medals (8 gold, 3 silver and 4 bronze), exceeding the number of medals won by Russia (14) and only trailing Brazil, who have amassed a total of 18 WL medals .
- Italy have won three of their four Final Six matches by a 3-0 score. They also lost 3-0 to Brazil in the semifinals.
- Italy have won three of their last four World League matches after losing the previous six.
- By finishing fourth Iran became the most successful Asian nation in World League history. They beat the sixth-place finishes of Japan (1990, 1993, 2008), China (1996) and Korea (1995)
- Iran's Amir Ghafour is the top scoring player in the Final Six tournament on 71 points. Italy's Ivan Zaytsev is ranked fourth on 59 points.