

# **Latin America Regional Report**

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All this has allowed us to answer via e-mail the information requests regarding Boxing, Volleyball, Baseball, Algorithms for Training Planning, Initiation Sports and Development made by Documentation Centers and personalities from the University of Mexico (UNAM & CEDOM), Argentina (Universidad del Rosario) and Colombia, from the National University in Javeriana as well as in the Pedagogical University, thus fostering the information exchange in the area.

Likewise, advising has been rendered in relation to the creation and development of the Functional Structure of the Information System to the Division of Sports and Recreation of the District Institute of Sports of Bogota, Colombia, as a part of the preparation process of the Delegation of the Capital District to the National and Paralympic Games by means of the creation of this Division's INTRANET and the Sports Performance Project. In addition to this, the SINFO System was implemented during the preparation and development of the whole logistics of the Games and an expert in Knowledge Management in the field of Intelligence participated in the preparation and training of courses – workshops on this topic in the Bogota (Colombia) Science and Technology Observatory as well as in other governmental and non-governmental bodies of this City.

The information activities were directed to the spreading of information resources available to the public access in the PORTAL that is hosted in INDER WEB-SITE ([www.inder.co.cu](http://www.inder.co.cu)) . Here are presented by thematic series linked to full texts a selection of articles from documentary sources evaluated as cores and by their cost can not be acquired by the people interested in its consult. These information sources are processed by a group of experts in SPORTS INFORMATION AND Sports Applied Sciences who work in the Information and/or Documentary offices from the different countries of the area, especially from Colombia and Mexico. This makes it easy the finding and searching of information, besides having other services of high added value that makes it more functional and allows the availability and tenure of Scientific-Technical literature from different and prestigious sports authors representing countries like Ecuador, Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, Argentina, Brazil and mainly Chile.

Work was also done in the preparation of a theme reference compilation, with indexation in Spanish, with the initial use of the Cuban Sports Vocabulary

compatible with the terms used by sports specialists and experts in Physical Culture, Physical Education and Recreation in the Pan-American area, and with the inclusion of the sports thesaurus indexed by the Sports Discus Database from SIRC, Canada.

Similarly, the translation of two Bulletins corresponding to September 2004 and January 2005, of ICSSPE'S –sent by Mrs. Gretchen Ghent, IASI Vice President for North America- was made.

We are currently working on a Project for the development of a Multimedia Basic Literature Collections in Boxing, Wrestling, Baseball, Physical Education, Sports Medicine and Sports Pedagogy, a resource that shall be shared by all the Spanish-speaking countries.