

AMERICAS REGION REPORT PTT Meeting Split / October 2011

1. PARAPANAMERICAN GAMES – GUADALAJARA 2011

1.1. Meeting

During the games will be organized a meeting with countries representatives, open to all, to discuss:

- Countries needs
- Players needs
- Host of next Parapanamerican in 2013
- Future development projects
- Inclusion of new countries
- Integration

1.2. Distribution of promotional material

- Stickers 10 x 15 cm with PTT poster made in English, French and Spanish as model:



2. DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

2.1. Contact with countries

Contacts were made with Uruguay, Perú and Bolivia to organize development activities such as courses and training camps in 2012.

Uruguay: Has not active players, but now the NPC and the NF are working together, the project includes a level 1 coaching course and a training camp to be approved by ITTF-PTT development.

Perú: Will be discussed during the Parapanamerican Games.



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2.2. Cd: Promotional CD in 4 languages: English – Spanish – French - Arabic

Material included:

- Videos: IPC / Classification / PTT Beijing 2008
- Courses: Information for courses organizers / Video gallery with pictures of courses delivered worldwide.
- Classification: Document description classes
- Posters: development

2.3. Development courses

I will conduct two self-founded coaching courses including the PTT component, in January and February, in Chile. The host cities will be Chiloe and Puerto Natales.

3. INTEGRATION

In July was arranged a meeting with Rodrigo Aviles, Manager of Chile, National Federation. One of the topics discussed was the integration process. The NF is interested in including PTT players but there are administration issues between the NF and the Paralympic Federation that by now are delaying integration.

4. DIFFUSION

4.1. A facebook group was set up with the goal of contact players and promote the activity in the region.

4.2. There is a project to set up also a web site not yet decided.

5. NATIONAL PARALYMPIC COMMITTEES

Unfortunately 2 countries, Paraguay and Guyana, cannot be present at the Parapanamerican Games in Guadalajara because they do not have a NPC.

They already now they have to start working on it for futures participations.

The aim of the integration process is to move TT under the umbrella of the ITTF and at national level to move under the Table Tennis National Federations, these countries have recognized and actives NF, and we are asking them now, to move again under the NPC for specific competitions, and to create a new national structure for athletes with disabilities. The message can be confusing.

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