

# *Cuban duo to Beach Volleyball World Challenge*

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**Diaz and Alayo**

Havana, March 8 (JIT).- Cuba's top duo of Noslen Diaz and Jorge Luis Alayo will debut in the La Paz 2023 Beach Volleyball World Challenge World Protour, in Mexico, from March 16 to 19.

The Antilleans are registered along with 47 other duos, according to the International Volleyball Federation (FIVB), which has divided this year's traditional circuit into elite (top 16 ranked duos), challenge and future categories.

Teams from Australia, Austria, Argentina, Germany, Canada, Chile, France, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, the Netherlands, Spain, Poland, Ukraine, Turkey, the United States and Portugal, among others, will participate in Mexican arenas.

Diaz and Alayo have on their roadmap to attend in April the two phases to be organized in Brazil, from 6 to 9 in Ipanema and from 13 to 16 in Saquarema, Jorge Sosa, national volleyball commissioner, assured JIT.

Last year they added medals of all colors in the Norceca circuit, took 17th place in their world premiere in Rome and closed with a triumph in the First Central American and Caribbean Beach Games of Santa Marta 2022.

"In the women's category, we will be present next month at the second stop in the Cayman Islands and the third in Varadero, in May, corresponding to the Norceca circuit; and together with the men will participate in Punta Cana, a qualifier for the world event," Sosa emphasized.

With a view to the preparation for the Central American and Caribbean Games of San Salvador 2023, the two pairs will compete in another round in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, added the director.

Except for Diaz and Alayo, champions of the first phase of the national circuit in Varadero, the rest of the best of the discipline began their action in the second and last round in the city of Ciego de Avila.

Meanwhile, the tandem of Artemisa and Villa Clara continue their training at the National Volleyball School under the watchful eye of Francisco Alvarez Cutiño until next Saturday, when they will leave for La Paz.

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