

Pelier fifth in the C1-5000 of the World Canoeing Championship



J. Pelier (Photo: JIT)

Havana, August 27 (JIT)-- José Ramón Pelier placed fifth in the C1-5000 meters this Sunday, during the closing day of the Duisburg 2023 World Canoe Championships in Germany.

His time of 23:11.395 minutes did not allow him to be on the podium of a race that counted with more than a thousand competitors from all continents.

Winning the distance was Balazs Adolf's Hungarian boat with a time of 22:12.975, much better than the 23:44.598 made as host in May at the Szeged 2023 World Cup.

Those placed up to fourth went under 23 minutes, such as Germany's Sebastian Brendel (22:18.883) silver winner, and Poland's Wiktor Glazunow (22:35.386), as listed on the official website of the International Canoe Federation.

Pelier had also competed in the C1-500, in which he finished first in the B final, which distributed the places from tenth to eighteenth.

After this result, Cuba is left with a title won by Yarisleidis Cirilo in the C1-200 meters, below what was achieved in the previous edition, held in Halifax, Canada, where Cuba won a gold medal and a silver one.

In the northern city, Cirilo and Katherin Nuevo won in the C2-200, and Serguey Torres climbed to second place on the podium in the C1-5000.

Cirilo competed this time in the C2-500 with 17-year-old Yinnoly Francheska López. They achieved a worthy sixth place, considering that her teammate made her international debut in the competition that concluded today.

Also competing for Cuba in the Teutonic event was Javier Requeiro in the C1-500, who said goodbye to the planetary tournament after finishing eighth in the semifinal, without advancing to any of the finals.

Among kayakers, Daylén Rodríguez and Yurieni Guerra finished ninth in their semifinal in the Wedau Race Channel, located south of the Teutonic city, their best performance. Their counterparts Robert Benítez and Yan Carlos Samé finished sixth in the K2-500 semifinal.

Until Saturday, the results placed Cuba in 14th place in the medal standings along with three other nations. The medals awarded this Sunday could change that. The competition has been dominated by Australia with six medals (4-1-1).

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