

Idalys Ortiz wins 8th medal in World Championships



Havana, August 31 (RHC) – The Cuban Judo artist Idalys Ortiz won her 8th career medal in Judo World Championships, after taking home a Silver in the Women’s +78kg division in the 2019 Judo World Championship that is taking place in Japan.

In order to reach the 4th World Championship Finals in her career, Ortiz won 4 match-ups, but in the Gold Medal Bout she was defeated by Japanese Akira Sone. Now the Cuban athlete sums 8 medals in this type of events, 2 Gold, 2 Silver and 4 Bronze.

The Cuban team had not won any medal in the 6 days of competition previous to Ortiz’ Silver, who after this performance of 4 wins and 1 loss, is consider undoubtedly as the best Cuban Judo artist of the decade.

Idalys Ortiz defeated Monica Sagna from Senegal, and Vanessa Mballa from Cameroon, both by via disqualification. Against Brazilian Beatriz Souza, Ortiz won by immobilizing her rival and in the Semi-Finals, she defeated also Brazilian Maria Suelen by Wazari.

The other Cuban athlete who competed this Saturday was the Lima 2019 Pan-Am champion Andy Granda, but he lost in the second round to Romanian Vladic Siminescu.

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