

# *Cuban duo to debut in the World Beach Volleyball Pro Tour*

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## **Beach Volleyball**

Havana, November 5 (JIT) - The young Cuban duo of Noslen Diaz and Jorge Luis Alayo will debut in the 2022 World Beach Volleyball Pro Tour when they compete in the penultimate challenger phase in Red Sea, Egypt, from Nov. 17-20.

The Cubans (1 280 points) appear in the main draw alongside 15 pairs from 11 countries. Another 32 will compete in the qualifying tournament to complete that group, according to the International Volleyball Federation (FIVB) website.

The nations also represented in the privileged lot are Austria (three duos), Italy and the United States (2), Mexico, Turkey, Argentina, Switzerland, Portugal, France, England and Egypt (1).

With more points are the bambinos Adrian Carambula and Alex Ranghieri (1 830), and Daniele Lupo and Enrico Rossi (1 760), as well as the Austrians Julian Hörl and Alexander Horst (1 820).

The American pairings of Miles Evans-Andrew Benesh (1 420) and Evan Cory-Logan Webber (1 040), the Mexican Juan Virgen-Miguel Sarabia (1 300) and the Argentinean Leo Aveiro-Bautista Amieva (1 200) are

also seeded for the American continent.

Diaz and Alayo are ranked 71st in the world due to their three podium finishes in as many rounds of the Norceca circuit. They won gold in Aguascalientes, bronze in Varadero and silver in Punta Cana. They also added the outstanding 17th place in the world championship in Rome.

The tandem from Artemisa and Villa Clara leads the national preselection coached by Francisco Alvarez Cutiño and Walfrido Salas. Both are confident in a good performance of their pupils, despite the fact that it will be their debut in this circuit.

Three days after concluding the world stop in Egypt, the boys will start the competition -23 to 26- at the Central American and Caribbean Sea and Beach Games of Santa Marta 2022, in Colombia, where 16 teams will meet in each gender.

Alongside them will compete a female pair, presumably composed of the 20-year-olds Amanda Armenteros and Yennifer Rivera, champions of the final of the Cuban circuit. However, young Maykelin Drik (18) and Nahomí Reymond (20), from Villaclare, also hope to make the grade.

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