

Report of the TIP Training Camp including 2018 RIO's World Championship



A. Accommodation, venue and participants

ICF development training camp took place in RIO, BRASIL. Accomodation was at 30min from the course and the meals where split between the hotel and the organisation.

The group was made of 10 athletes with half boys and half girls from 7 different countries, as you can see on this table :

country	first name	family name
BIH	dusan	mackic
CHI	maria	inzunza
CHI	pilar	lira
CRC	axel	fonseca
FIN	iisa	maenpaa
MEX	sofia	reinoso
MEX	antonio	reinoso
SEN	yves	bourhis
SEN	jean-pierre	bourhis
SRB	kristina	pretovic
ICF-BRA	joao	machado
ICF-FRA	lucas	hives-sorin
ICF-GER	ariane	herde

The group was split in 4 parts :

- Ariane Herde : (FIN), (MEX), (BIH), (SRB)
- Joao Machado : (MEX), (CHI), (CRC)
- Lucas Hives : (SEN)

The level of the group was quite good, a big part of the group had a good experience in wild water and it was quite easy to work with them.

Some athletes started kayaking less than one year ago only on flat water, it was a big challenge for them to paddle down on this Olympic course, but the motivation was there.

We had only one training per day before the race, it was a little bit light but it permit us to rest well and to visit a little bit the surroundings.

B. Coaching and equipment

We've been lucky because the organisation was able to lend us some boats, because a lot of athletes didn't had the possibility to bring theirs, the organisation was very nice with us and they did everything we needed.

We noticed that it is always important to have a local referent with the TIP group, Joao helped us a lot, he was everywhere, every time.

C. Results of the World Championship 2018

FIN	MAENPAA	IISA	K1W : 59
MEX	REINOSO	SOFIA	K1W : 54
MEX	REINOSO	ANTONIO	K1M : 65
SEN	BOURHIS	YVES	C1M : 45
SEN	BOURHIS	JEAN PIERRE	C1M : 31
CHI	INZUNZA	MARIA JESUS	K1W : 57
CHI	LIRA	PILAR	K1W : 58
BIH	MACKIC	DUSAN	K1M : 74
SRB	PRETOVIC	KRISTINA	K1W : 56
CRC	FONSESCA	AXEL	K1M : 64

D. Global development of canoe slalom around the World

Thanks to the amazing work and support given by the 3 coaches, the global level of the group has drastically increased. We have received great feedbacks from the organisation, judges and coaches from different federations. Still a lot of job to do to compete against the biggest nations, but we are definitely on the right way, closer every time.

It was an awesome experience for them to compete at these level, we had a little extra because it was a part of Iisa Maenpaa reeducation after the bad moments past in Ivrea this summer, she has still work to do but it was amazing to see her paddle that soon.

We can also notice the good sport mentality of Dusan Mackic who finished his second race with a broken paddle, always nice to see such a gesture.

Many of them expressed their motivation to share their knowledges and experiences in their home club.

Big Thanks to the International Canoe Federation, athletes, coaches and all of the other people involved to make such a team possible.