
Cuban Zayas leads high jump in athletics ranking

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The Cuban Luis Enrique Zayas is currently leading the world ranking in the men's high jump within the World Athletics (formerly IAAF) indoor meeting circuit, with a record of 2.33 meters.

Zayas, 2019 Pan American champion in Lima, reached the result in the Banská Bystrica meeting in Slovakia, after twice surpassing his former personal best (2.30) in his second indoor meeting.

The competition on European soil left an excellent sequence for the athlete from the Greatest of Antilles, with consecutive jumps over 2.20, 2.25, 2.31 and 2.33 to ensure first place and place at the top of the universal ranking.

The Cuban player, who will start in the World Youth Championship in 2016, was escorted by Jamal Wilson from Bahamas, owner of a similar 2.33m, but with more mistakes in his competitive line, while the British Tom Gale finished in third place (2.31).

Zayas, finalist in the Doha 2019 outdoor world championship, is one of the main exponents of the Cuban countryside and track on the way to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, scheduled to take place from 24 July to 9 August.

Other important figures of the nation are the discus throwers Yaime Perez and Denia Caballero, the long jumper Juan Miguel Echevarria, the heptathlete Yorgelis Rodriguez, the pole vaulter Yarisley Silva and the triple jumpers Cristian Napoles and Andy Diaz.

