

THE WINNERS OF THE PARALYMPIC GAME.

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HISTORY

- ◉ The Paralympic Games is a major international multi-sport event, involving athletes with a range of physical disabilities, including impaired muscle power (e.g. paraplegia and quadriplegia, muscular dystrophy, post-polio syndrome, spina bifida), impaired passive range of movement, limb deficiency (e.g. amputation or dysmelia), leg length difference, short stature, hypertonia, ataxia, athetosis, vision impairment and intellectual impairment. There are Winter and Summer Paralympic Games, which since the 1988 Summer Games in Seoul, South Korea, are held almost immediately following the respective Olympic Games. All Paralympic Games are governed by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC).

SYMBOLS



- ◉ “Spirit in Motion” is the motto for the Paralympic movement. The symbol for the Paralympics contains three colours, red, blue, and green, which are the colours most widely represented in the flags of nations. The colours are each in the shape of an Agito (which is Latin for "I move"), which is the name given to an asymmetrical crescent specially designed for the Paralympic movement. The three Agitos circle a central point, which is a symbol for the athletes congregating from all points of the globe.[28] The motto and symbol of the IPC were changed in 2003 to their current versions. The change was intended to convey the idea that Paralympians have a spirit of competition and that the IPC as an organization realizes its potential and is moving forward to achieve it. The vision of the IPC is, "To enable Paralympic athletes to achieve sporting excellence and to inspire and excite the world." [29] The Paralympic anthem is "Hymn de l'Avenir" or "Anthem of the Future". It was composed by Thierry Darnis and adopted as the official anthem in March 1996.

ATHLETES



ALEXEY LABZIN



Alexey Labzin (born 7 December 1978) is a Paralympian athlete from Russia competing mainly in category T13 sprint. He won two gold and three silver medals in 100-400 m events at the 2008 and 2012 Summer Paralympics.

Labzin is married and has two sons. He was born and raised in Vidim, Irkutsk Oblast, but after the death of his coach moved to Ufa.

ELENA PAUTOVA



- Elena Pautova (born 22 January 1986) is a Paralympian athlete from Russia competing mainly in category T12 middle distance events. She is a two times Paralympic gold medalist and three times World Championship gold medalist in the 1500m race. Pautova also broke the world record in the T13 5000m event in 2003.

IREK ZARIPOV



Irek Zaripov (Russian: Ирек Айратович Зарипов, Bashkir: Ирек Айрат улы Зәрипов) is a Russian biathlete and cross-country skier. He was born on March 27, 1983, in Sterlitamak, Bashkir ASSR.

He lost his legs in a car accident in 2000. He started to practice skiing in 2005.

He competed at the 2010 Winter Paralympics where he won five medals: two gold and one silver in cross country skiing, and two gold medals in biathlon.

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