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## 6 teams already in the quarters



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On the second day of competition, the teams returned to the field to perform one more game of the group stage. This was a day of important decisions, with some squads ensuring their place in the next

phase. In the female competition, Russia and Spain are in the quarters, as well as the male teams of Portugal, Czech Republic, Brazil and Spain.



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# Decisions at the last minute



**Lúcia Pinho**  
Guide of the male Romania team

Is this your first time in this kind of sport events? Why did you decide to participate?

Yes it's my first time. I decided to participate because I had free time and I think that, as a guide, it's a good opportunity for me to improve my English. Besides, it would be interesting to help a team that doesn't know our traditions and our language. In this cases, it's important to have someone who can help and guide them.

Are you enjoying the experience?

Yes, so far I really am. Romanians are very nice and friendly people which facilitates the cooperation between the team and the organization. So far it has been a great experience and everything is running fine.

What is the feedback of the Romanian team?

In what have seen, I think they are enjoying. For them has also been an interesting experience.

What do you think is the most important function of a guide?

In my opinion, the main function of a guide is to establish a good contact between the team and the organization. And we can't forget that the main purpose of a guide is to ensure the welfare of the team.



The day started with two female games. In group A, Russia won against Mexico by 38-27. This was a quiet game for the Russian team, which was placed in the lead early in the game.

In the other game of group A, Japan beat the home team by a difference of 10 goals. The game began with the Japanese team leading and they managed it till the end.

In the first game of Group C, Poland smashed Uruguay by 40-13. The Poland team was very dominant both in attack and in defense.

In the match between Korea and Romania, also from group C, despite being the Romanian team to open the scoreboard, Korea reached the break winning 10-5. In spite of the efforts of the Romanian athletes, Korea was stronger and won the game by 28-24.

In the only game of group B, Spain won over Czech Republic, by 21-19. During the first half, Czech Republic was taking the lead. But near the Spanish keeper secured the post, meanwhile their offensive mates score twice, and by doing so, they won the match.

In the only game of group A, Portugal played against Chinese Taipei. Half-way through the first part, the Portuguese team took the control of the game and didn't lose the advantage till the end, ensuring a clear victory by 32-20.

In group B, the Russian won against Mexico by 39-27. Russia was always superior and the Mexican attackers had some trouble in organizing their offense and it was also difficult to stop the strength of the Russian players.

In the same group, Czech Republic showed that they've come to Portugal to win the WUC again. They dominated all the 60 minutes of the game against Turkey, being cohesive at defense, and scoring a lot of goals from a 9m distance. The final result was 32-26 for the Czech Republic.

The game of Romania and Spain, from group C, was hard fought from the beginning, always with a difference of two goals at most. At the break, the game was tied at 15-15, but the Spanish team won in the last kick of the game and got the final result of 29-28.

In the same group, Japan and Brazil met each other. The Japanese team started to lead the game, Brazil was better from there on and got a victory by 36-26.

## Male Competition August 6th Calendar

A1	Portugal	B1	Czech Republic	C1	Brazil
A2	Chinese Taipei	B2	Russia	C2	Spain
A3	Egypt	B3	Turkey	C3	Japan
		B4	Mexico	C4	Romania

	HOME TEAM	VS	AWAY TEAM	VENUE
15:00	Egypt	vs	Chinese Taipei	INATEL SH
15:00	Turkey	vs	Mexico	UMINHO SH
15:00	Japan	vs	Romania	MULTIUSOS SH
20:00	Czech Republic	vs	Russia	UMINHO SH
20:00	Brazil	vs	Spain	INATEL SH

## August 5th Results

HOME TEAM	R	VS	R	AWAY TEAM
Mexico	27	vs	39	Russia
Romania	29	vs	28	Spain
Chinese Taipei	20	vs	32	Portugal
Turkey	26	vs	32	Czech Republic
Japan	26	vs	36	Brazil

## Female Competition August 6th Calendar

A1	Portugal	B1	Czech Republic	C1	Romania
A2	Russia	B2	Brazil	C2	Poland
A3	Japan	B3	Spain	C3	Korea
A4	Mexico			C4	Uruguay

	HOME TEAM	VS	AWAY TEAM	VENUE
12:30	Japan	vs	Mexico	INATEL SH
12:30	Korea	vs	Uruguay	MULTIUSOS SH
17:30	Portugal	vs	Russia	MULTIUSOS SH
17:30	Czech Republic	vs	Brazil	UMINHO SH
17:30	Romania	vs	Poland	INATEL SH

## August 5th Results

HOME TEAM	R	VS	R	AWAY TEAM
Mexico	27	vs	38	Russia
Uruguay	13	vs	40	Poland
Japan	32	vs	22	Portugal
Spain	21	vs	19	Czech Republic
Korea	28	vs	24	Romania

