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## Media Release

### 'Australia Demolishes Rest of World'

Australia returned from the 3<sup>rd</sup> INAS Global Games as the leading Nation with 28 Gold, 14 Silver and 12 Bronze medals, more than doubled the nearest nation's Gold medal haul. Portugal finished in second position with 13 gold, 7 silver and 8 bronze and Poland third with 12 gold, 15 silver and 15 bronze. This is the second time Australia has dominated the medal tally at the Global Games having also won the previous Global Games in 2009 in Liberec Czech Republic.

Australia dominated the swimming and tennis events in Italy finishing on top of the ladder in both with a total of 48 medals, 25 Gold, 13 Silver and 10 Bronze.

AUSRAPID Chief Executive Officer Robyn Smith who was Head of Delegation for the Australian team was delighted with the success of the teams across all sports and particularly pleased to see Australia sitting on top of the Medal tally. "It vindicates AUSRAPID's philosophy that Sport should own sport for all". Smith commented. Smith went on to say that other Nations were envious of Australia's success, "it is so gratifying to showcase what can be achieved when mainstream sport takes responsibility for selection and preparation of athletes with a disability in their high performance programs."

Australia's success at the Games is testimony to the ongoing support of athletes with an intellectual disability by the Australian Sports Commission, the National Sporting Organizations (NSO)- Athletics Australia, Basketball Australia, Swimming Australia, Tennis Australia, Table Tennis Australia, Cycling Australia and Australian Paralympic Committee.

Through AUSRAPID's work with the NSO's all Australians have the opportunity to participate in the sport of their choice where they can be respected for their ability. It is a model that other Nations aspire to and one which has stood the test of time.

As well as dominating the Medal tally, Australian athletes were amongst the best performers.

#### Swimming

*Kara Leo* - (19) 4 Individual Gold, 5 Relay Gold and 1 Silver and 2 Bronze  
*Mitchell Kilduff* - (15) 4 Individual Gold, 1 Relay Gold and 2 Silver and 1 Bronze  
*Amanda Fowler* - (14) 3 Individual Gold, 4 Relay Gold and 3 Silver and 2 Bronze  
*Taylor Corry* - (16) 3 Individual Gold, 5 Relay Gold and 1 Silver  
*Nerice Holland* - (23) 1 Individual Gold, 5 Relay Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze

#### Tennis

*Kelly Wren* - 4 Gold medals and undefeated Internationally for 11 years

#### Athletics

*Lindsay Sutton* - 2 gold medals and a World record in the Hammer throw.



## Australia medal tally by sport

Sport	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Athletics	2	1	1	4
Basketball	1			1
Tennis	4	3	3	10
Swimming	21	10	7	38
Cycling			1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>54</b>

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Global Games – Liguria, Italy 2011

#### FINAL MEDAL TABLE

Medal Standing		GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	Total
1	Australia	28	14	12	54
2	Portugal	13	7	8	28
3	Poland	12	15	15	42
4	Hong Kong China	12	11	8	31
5	Ukraine	11	9	7	27
6	Japan	7	7	6	20
7	Spain	5	3	2	10
8	South Korea	4	4	5	13
9	Sweden	3	4	3	10
10	Czech Republic	3	3	1	7
11	Rep South Africa	2	7	8	17
12	Italy	2	4	6	12
13	Estonia	2	1		3
14	USA	2			2
15	Hungary	1	6	9	16
16	Venezuela	1	5	1	7
17	Brazil	1	4	3	8
18	Iceland	1	2		3
19	Canada	1	1	4	6
20	Tunisia	1	1	3	5
21	IR Iran	1		3	4
22	Croatia		4	1	5
23	Netherlands		1	3	4
24	Russian Federation		1	2	3
25	Great Britain		1	2	3
26	Malaysia		1		1
27	France			3	3
28	Mexico			1	1
29	Taiwan			1	1

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