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Current Position: Founder and owner of Djan Madruga Academy, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
Advisor to the President of the Brazilian Swimming Confederation.

Djan Madruga completed his collegiate swimming career at Indiana University. Following graduation, he served as “Doc” Counsilman’s Assistant Coach from 1982 to 1984, completing his Master’s Degree in Adapted Physical Education during that time.

As swimmer represented Brazil in two Olympic Games. In the 1976 Montreal Olympics, Djan set a new Olympic mark in the heats of the 400 meters free. In the 1980 Moscow Olympics, he won the bronze medal in the 800 meters free relay event.

Following his competitive swimming career, Djan competed as a professional Triathlete, winning several international events in the U.S., Asia and South America. Was responsible for introducing the Ironman Triathlon to South America. He remains an active Master’s swimmer, winning events at the FINA Master’s World Championships a total of 11 times.

He founded the Brazilian Health Clubs Association in 1999 and served as its president from 2003 to 2005. Took a job as the National Secretary of Sports from 2007 to 2009 and was responsible for the preparation of Brazilian sports teams to the Beijing Olympics, he played an active role in the victorious campaign to bring the 2016 Olympics to his hometown Rio de Janeiro.

In addition to his roles as Director and Coach at his Academy, Djan has been an active researcher of new swimming products and methodologies.