



Italian Volleyball Federation  
Rome, Italy  
[www.federvolley.it](http://www.federvolley.it)

**Industry:**

Sports

**Employees:**

70

**Oracle Products & Services:**

Oracle Database 10g  
Oracle Application Server 10g  
Oracle Containers for J2EE  
Oracle Portal  
Oracle Wireless

**Implementor:**

Partner Sintesi Soluzioni  
Informatiche

**Italian Volleyball Association (FIPAV)**

Founded in 1946, the Italian Volleyball Federation (FIPAV) has been one of the driving forces behind the growing popularity of volleyball in Italy. With around 300,000 members, FIPAV is responsible for organizing volleyball matches and tournaments—including Italy's participation in the Olympics—and helps to promote and publicize the sport nationwide. The Federation works closely with about 120 provincial and local volleyball organizations, which together have an estimated 6.5 million members.

**Challenges**

- Simplify and strengthen the relationship between FIPAV and its members, both at the professional and amateur level
- Provide information and services to the FIPAV community over the Web and wirelessly
- Establish efficient system for assigning referees to games
- Track and communicate game results and league standings in real time

**Solution**

- Launched an interactive portal, based on Oracle Application Server technology, providing comprehensive information services to members
- Deployed Oracle's Web and wireless technology to automate routine activities, such as assigning referees and posting game scores, league standings and schedules
- Referees immediately upload game results via Web or text message, so updates are communicated to the community in real time
- Enabled easy and secure network access with Oracle Single Sign On technology
- Enhanced the Web experience by allowing members to easily customize the portal to reflect personal interests
- Strengthened the FIPAV community by setting up online chat rooms and forums for members
- New platform will allow FIPAV to create consistent information structures across the organization and support long-term growth