



## 19<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of Adapted Physical Activity



### **Martin Mansell**

Martin Mansell has been involved in disability sport since 1975. First as a competitor in 2 Paralympic Games, two World, two European championship and 15 other international competitions (last games 1998 Seoul, 1 gold 2 silver 1 bronze, Swimming) and later as a coach. In 1990, as a result of the sports minister's report Building on Ability which was an outcome from the 1988 Seoul Paralympic Games, he was appointed as one of the first Professional Sports Development Officers for People with Disabilities within a Local Education Authority in England. In 1989 he was elected as Chairperson of the British Paralympic Association Athletes' Committee and later as Chairperson of the International Paralympic Committee Athletes' Commission and was a Director of the British Paralympic Association till January 2005 when he stood down. He has been working with ParalympicsGB on their work on their Schools Education programme called Ability v Ability. He also works for a number of organisations and in 1998 set up MJM Associates as advisers on disability sport. He works with organisations such as the Youth Sport Trust, ParalympicsGB, EFDS and NASUWT as a consultant to name just a few.