

# WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2007

## TOKYO, JAPAN

### **Compulsory Dance - Rhumba**

Only a sliver, 0.03 behind these Russians, are the Italians, Federica Faiella and Massimo Scali. *Scali, who was dropped in a reverse lift by Faiella, in the FD during the European Free Dance, said, "We are very pleased today. The Rhumba was very hard for us until last year. It was a nightmare for us. But we have worked very hard with our new coaches, (Pasquale Camerlengo and Angelika Krylova) and have improved so much. It was a good job today, clean and looked easy."*

### **Original Dance - Tango**

Faiella and Scali were upset at their showing to Tanguero performed by Sexteto Mayor which dropped them from seventh to ninth. *"I don't know what happened to my twizzles,"* said Faiella. *"I felt good about drawing to skate last and other than the mistake, everything went well."* They received four Level 4s but their non-touching midline twizzles were only Level 2 and the combination spin Level 3. Scali said, *"We changed the music after Europeans because we need slow parts for steps and I really like the music. We lost lots of points for the little mistake."*

### **Free Dance**

Faiella and Scali were only 11th in the free which pulled them down to ninth overall, a chasm of 7.54 behind Khokhlova and Novitski and a sliver, 0.67 ahead of Gregory and Petukhov. It was not a happy occasion for the Italians. Faiella said, *"I cut my hand on the Biellmann position during the first spin but it is not serious."* Scali said, *"I feel good about our performance today. We skated well, but the scores were not what we expected. This season is over, but I will ask the judges why the levels of some elements were lower today, and we will come back stronger next season."* They had three Level 3s but the rest were 4.