

## **Rio 2016 Paralympic Torch Relay**

On September 7th, I had the honor of being one of the 700 Paralympic Torchbearers, along with my husband Luiz Phelipe Nobre, for which I could pass the Paralympic flame, representing [ADAPTSURF](#). I am very glad for being part of this amazing moment in South America's history by helping to spread the relay's message of peace and unity around Brazil.

Founded in 2007, a pioneer in Rio de Janeiro and Brazil, ADAPTSURF is a non-profit association that promotes social inclusion of people with disabilities or reduced mobility, ensuring equal opportunities and access to leisure, sport and culture, through direct contact with nature.

Our proposal is to develop and disseminate adaptive surfing, fighting for preservation and improvements in the accessibility of beaches. We believe that surf can be an excellent tool in the social, cultural and environmental issues because it is a healthy sport, democratic, and with full interaction with nature.

It was a unique moment in our lives. Unforgettable! It will be forever in our hearts as part of the recognition and, especially, encouraging us to never give up our mission, which is fighting for a world with equality and opportunities.

I greatly appreciate OLM for always supporting and motivating ADAPTSURF.

Thank you for helping us to build this special moment.

***Ms. Luana Nobre***