

## MILANO PREMIER PADEL P1 2022

### CREMONA/CASSETTA SCREAM IN ITALIAN DERBY "TO FACE THE WORLD'S NO. 6 PAIR NOW? A DREAM."

#### BIG NAMES ON WEDNESDAY: ALL THE BEST ON THE COURT

*Milan, December 6, 2022* - The Italian derby that ignited the evening at Allianz Cloud was won by Simone Cremona and Marco Cassetta. The newly crowned champions of Italy overcame 6-3 6-3 in one hour and 16' Lorenzo Di Giovanni and Daniele Cattaneo and, in the second round of Milano Premier Padel P1, they will face on Wednesday (fourth match on Court 1) the Spaniards Momo Gonzalez and Alex Ruiz, the no. 6 seed. However, the four *Azzurri* were given a great welcome by the Milan audience, in a packed arena. Cremona and Cassetta started better, taking the break in the second game and flying 3-0. As the exchanges went on, however, "Digio" and Cattaneo warmed up, managing to break their opponents' service in the seventh game, on a straight smash to the wall by Cassetta. Another error on the break ball, this time by Di Giovanni, gave the advantage back on service to the Italian champions, who this time did not let up. In the second set, Di Giovanni and Cattaneo were the first to break (3-1), only to concede a five-game losing streak that ended the match. "A year ago, it was unthinkable to even imagine facing the no. 6 - said Cremona and Cassetta - All this is a dream."

**GIANT WEDNESDAY** Tomorrow will be the world's best players debut, all of whom have arrived from Mexico and are ready to open their bags, grab their rackets and draw magic. As many as 12 matches are scheduled starting at 10 a.m. The second match on the Central will feature Franco Stupaczuk and Pablo Lima, No. 3 seed, against Spaniards Marc Quilez Palleja and Toni Bueno Gomez; in the fourth and final match of the morning session, Paquito Navarro and Juan Tello, No. 2 seed, will make their debut against Edu Alonso and Juanlu Esbrí. The evening session, (n.b. 6 p.m.), will instead be a catwalk: on the "blue carpet" of Allianz Cloud, the world number ones, Alejandro Galan and Juan Lebron will transit first, opposing Martinez Sanchez/Adria Mercadal. They will be followed by Federico Chingotto and Javi Garrido (No. 7 in the seeding) facing Jairo Bautista Ortiz and Mario Del Castillo Marin. Finally, legend Fernando Belasteguín, alongside Arturo Coello (No. 4 seed), will make his debut against Vilariño/Muñoz. On Court 1, after Cremona and Cassetta's match (before them, Italian-Argentinian Emiliano Iriart and Spaniard Marcos Cordoba will face Victor Ruiz and Lucas Bergamini), Martin Di Nenzo and Jorge Nieto will play against Miguel Semmler and José David Sanchez.

**RESULTS** The second day has started with the victory of another Italian player. Italian-Argentinian Denis Perino, teaming up with Sergio Alba Sanchez, defeated Valdes/Ayats 6-4 6-3. In the second round, Alba/Perino will face Argentinians Maxi Sanchez and Luciano Capra (No. 8 seed). Even better the other Italian-Argentinian Facundo Dominguez, paired with French left-hander Benjamin Tison, who defeated in two sets (6-3 6-4) Spaniard Alvaro Cepero and Argentinian Miguel Lamperti, the no. 16 seed, thus flying to the round of 16 scheduled for Thursday against the winning pair between Di Nenzo/Nieto (semifinalists last week in Mexico and fifth in the seeding) and Semmler/Sanchez.

**ON TV** The Milano Premier Padel P1 is broadcast in 190 countries around the world, including the Premier Padel YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/@PremierPadelTV>). In Italy, it is Sky Sport that provides outstanding coverage of the event: Sky Sport Tennis (channel 205) will offer live coverage of the evening sessions on Wednesday and Thursday and the full program of the quarterfinals on Friday 9 (beginning at noon), the semifinals on Saturday 10 and the final on Sunday 11, both starting at 5 p.m. There will also be live updates and live coverage from Allianz Cloud on Sky Sports 24.

*Milan Premier Padel P1 is the last seasonal stop of the circuit organized by the International Padel Federation (FIP) and supported by the Professional Padel Association (PPA), the entity that brings together professional players, and Qatar Sports Investments (QSI)*

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