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Eli Amatrian and Sofia Saiz gain the first victory in the women's draw

History never stops to be made at **Foro Italico**. **Elisabet Amatrian Armas** and **Sofia Saiz Vallejo** beat their Spanish compatriots **Beatriz Caldera Sanchez** and **Marta Barrera De La Fuente** in two sets (6-1, 6-4), becoming the first pair to win a match in the women's draw - excluding qualifications - of the **Premier Padel tour**. A great satisfaction, that achieved on one of the courts set up on the '**Nicola Pietrangeli**', for a pair that combines experience and freshness: 39-year-old **Eli Amatrian**, a 'fighter' who tried padel when she was studying to become a teacher and then never left it, just 20-year-old **Sofia Saiz**.

In the other matches of the women's draw in the morning session, two-set wins for the pairs **Marta Caparros Maldonado/Lea Godallier** and **Carlotta Casali/Julia Polo Bautista**, while **Lorena Alonso/Lourdes Pascual Dominguez** and **Alejandra Alonso De Villa/Andrea Ustero Prieto** needed three sets to get through the first round. **Casali**, a 30-year-old born in Rome who has been living in Spain for seven years, became the first Italian woman to win a match in the main draw of a **Premier Padel tournament**.

In the men's draw, **Maximiliano Sanchez/Luciano Capra**, **Javier Valdes/Jose David Sanchez** and **Javier Martinez/Jorge Ruiz** advanced.

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