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## FIP PLATINUM Sardegna, day 1 Italy cheers with Orsi, Marchetti and Pappacena

Waiting for the stars to make their debut, the Italians celebrate at **TC Cagliari**. In the day 1 of the **FIP PLATINUM Sardegna**, an international padel tournament promoted by the Autonomous Region of Sardinia, Department of Tourism, Crafts and Commerce, under the patronage of the Municipality of Cagliari, great victory for **Carolina Orsi** – who, paired with Spain's **Carla Mesa Salazar**, beat **Marta Borrero** and **Ksenia Sharifova** with a double 6-3 – as well as **Chiara Pappacena** and **Giorgia Marchetti**, who beat Spain's **Marta Arellano Navarro** and Brazil's **Raquel Piltcher** with the same score. *“Winning playing a tournament at home is always nice – said the two Italians –. For the next match we would like a lot of people to cheer for us”*.

Also because the opponent will be top level, the number 3 seed **Carmen Goenaga Garcia** and **Lucia Martinez Gomez** from Spain. Also doing well, in the men's, were the Italian-Argentines **Nicolas Suescun** and **Facundo Dominguez**, who defeated (6-3 6-3) the Spaniards **Pablo Lijo** (who won the CUPRA FIP Finals in Cagliari in 2020) and **Eduardo Alonso**. The surprise of the day was the defeat of the eighth seed in the men's draw: **Juan Cruz Belluati** and **Javier Ruiz** were beaten 6-4 7-6 by Brazilian **Lucas Campagnolo** and Spaniard **Juanlu Esbri**. Tomorrow, starting at 10.30 a.m., the first round closes with the remaining 12 matches.

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