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Focus on...Sweden: 600,000 players, over 4,000 courts. And the Next Gen faces the world's best young players

The second place of the men's team at the last **FIP Juniors World Padel Championships** in Asunción (Paraguay) is not random. Neither is the growth of padel in **Sweden**, which will host the **FIP Rise Betsson Sweden II** and **FIP Promises Sweden II** this week.

Data from the **FIP Research & Data Analysis Department** show that **Sweden** is the fourth largest country in the world in terms of padel clubs and courts, the third largest in Europe after Spain and Italy: there are in fact more than **1,050 facilities** (of which 230 are affiliated to the Swedish Padel Federation) and **4,200 courts** to play on, with a ratio of one court for every 2,500 inhabitants, the second largest country in the world behind only Andorra (one court for every 2,350 inhabitants).

In Sweden, there are an estimated **600,000 amateurs players**, 5,300 of whom – according to data from the Swedish Padel Federation – have professional licences (67% men, 33% women) and **800 young people**. Last year, as many as six tournaments of the **CUPRA FIP Tour** circuit were played in Sweden, all in the Rise category, including one for women, in which a total of 99 Swedish players on court. On social media, there are approximately 2 million Swedish padel fans. A boom that has no limits.

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