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Genova Premier Padel P2, day 4 Coello/Tapia-Chingotto/Galan e Josemaria/Sanchez-Ortega/Araujo: final show

Coello/Tapia-Chingotto/Galan and **Josemaria/Sanchez-Ortega/Araujo**. These are the four pairs that, from 5 p.m. tomorrow, will play for the throne of **Genova Premier Padel P2**: four results that arrived at the end of an exciting Saturday, with an extraordinary public that enjoyed one match more beautiful and fought than the other. For **Chingotto** and **Galan**, but also for **Josemaria** and **Sanchez**, the chance to score an all-Italian double after triumphing two weeks ago in the **BNL Italy Major Premier Padel** in Rome.

MEN The first men's semifinal of the **Genova Premier Padel P2** was a show guaranteed. And the fans who filled the stands at **Valletta Cambiaso Park** were not disappointed. The one won by **Fede Chingotto** and **Ale Galan** over **Paquito Navarro** and **Juan Lebron** was one of the most beautiful matches of the season: it lasted two hours and 49 minutes and, despite the extraordinary performance of the number 4 on the draw, it was again the '**Chingalan**' who got the better of it, conquering their eighth final out of eight tournaments played together (so far four victories, in **Brussels, Sevilla, Mar del Plata and Rome**). But never as this time have the number 2 seed come close to defeat: thanks to a '**Lobo**' in world version (the one who dominated with Galan) and a Paquito Navarro who thrilled the fans in Genova. Having lost the first set (decisive break in the fifth game), however, Chingotto and Galan did not lose heart: they found the break on 5-3, but after immediately giving up their service they found the strength to take the match to the third and decisive set. And in the final, after two errors by **Lebron** and a monstrous defense by **Chingotto**, came the point that earned them the final, and yet another chapter (the eighth) in the never-ending challenge against **Arturo Coello** and **Agustin Tapia**, who in the evening overcame **Franco Stupaczuk** and **Martin Di Nenno** 7-6 6-2. The second semi-final was a balanced affair, especially in the first set, which was closed in a tiebreak by the number 1 on the draw; in the second set, however, an opening break paved the way for Coello and Tapia, who were ready to assault the sixth 2024 title **after Doha, Acapulco, Puerto Cabello, Asuncion and Santiago**.

WOMEN It was also a battle in the women's draw, with **Paula Josemaria** and **Ari Sanchez** seeming to have regained the infernal rhythm of the beginning of the season. Thanks to a 6-3 4-6 6-2 win over **Gemma Triay** and **Claudia Fernandez** (3), the world number 1s will go hunting for their fifth title tomorrow, their first P2 after two P1s (**Riyadh and Mar del Plata**) and two Majors (**Doha and Rome**). Facing them were the winning pairs from the last four

tournaments on the Premier Padel circuit (Triay and Fernandez triumphed in **Santiago** and **Bordeaux**) and the quality was there to be seen. For **Josemaria** and **Sanchez**, there was only a down in the second set (they were 2-5, before losing 6-4), but the great ability to give the decisive break in the match at 2-2 in the third set, winning four games in a row. In the first semifinal, on the other hand, **Marta Ortega** and **Sofia Araujo** celebrated their return as a pair by qualifying for the final, thanks to a 6-1 6-4 victory over **Virginia Riera** and **Carmen Goenaga**. After a first set dominated by the tournament's number 4 seed, the second set lasted over an hour, with the ninth game giving the Spanish and the Portuguese player access to the final: for both it was the second in 2024, with Ortega having reached it in Bordeaux (with Virseda) and Araujo (with Riera) in Acapulco.

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