

## MARBELLA WILL HOST THE XII EUROPEAN PADEL CHAMPIONSHIP

The International Padel Federation (FIP) has assigned the organization of the XII European Padel Championship to the Andalusian Padel Federation (FAP). The Board of Directors of the FIP has chosen the candidature presented by the territorial federation that locates the celebration of the competition in Marbella.

In this way, from June 28 to July 4, the best players of the continent will participate in this competition that will have representation in the final phase of 16 nations.

"We are very excited about the return of the European Padel Championships to Spain and, specifically, to Marbella, the city where our sport took its first steps on the continent," explained the president of the FIP, Luigi Carraro.

The proposal presented by the Andalusian Federation has the full backing of the Spanish Padel Federation (FEP) and has strong institutional support, with the involvement of the Marbella Town Hall, the Provincial Council of Malaga, and the Andalusian Government.

The twelfth edition of the European Championship will be held in the form of Open National Pairs and National Teams, both male and female, and it will be not only the official European title awarded by the FIP, it will also be the qualification for the XV World Padel Championship which will be held in Qatar from 15 to 20 November.

The Italian men's national team and the French women's national team will defend the title they won in the 2019 edition held in Rome.

"This European Championship is going to be a splendid showcase to exhibit the outstanding development that Padel is having on the continent," said the International Padel Federation leader, "and, moreover, it will be the great prelude to the XV World Padel Championships that will be held in Qatar few months later."

This designation by the FIP represents the return of the European Padel Championship, after 14 years, to Spain. The last edition held in Spanish territory was in 2007, with the European Championship held in Seville.

