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## **FIP RISE GÄVLE, GASPAR WANTS REVENGE AFTER GOTHENBURG DEFEAT**

After the success in Gothenburg, Sweden returns to host another **FIP RISE tournament**. This week the CUPRA FIP TOUR makes a stop at the Center Court PRO Padel One in **Gävle**, for a men's draw which includes 32 pairs, of which 26 are ranked, four qualified and two wild cards.

After losing in the final in Gothenburg against Rocafort and Vasquez, Spaniard **José Carlos Gaspar** (number 86 ranked) will try again, this time paired with **Victor Manuel Mena**, the highest ranked player in the field (number 69). Number 2 seed, the Spaniard **Pedro Vera** and the talented Argentinean (born in 2002) **Ignacio Piotto Albornoz**.

Swedish padel, as in the rest of Europe and the world, is a movement that is growing over the years. Last year, there were 106 member associations of the Swedish federation; after the first three months of 2023, there are 220, with a total of around 50,000 practitioners. And also this year, the calendar of FIP tournaments in Sweden could be enriched with more events.

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