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BNL Italy Major Premier Padel, day 1: convincing debut for seeded pairs

Predictions respected on day one of the second Major of this season. At **Foro Italico** in **Rome**, where we are still waiting for the **women's main draw**, all the big players in the **men's Main Draw** won today their respective matches, gaining access to **BNL Italy Major Premier Padel** Round of 32, for which the top eight seeded players were already qualified.

RESULTS There were three seeded pairs involved in the **men's draw** today, who all won their matches in straight sets. **Edu Alonso** and **Alex Arroyo**, seeded **number 11** at **Foro Italico** and who have reached the quarter finals in **four Premier Padel tournaments** this year (**Riyadh, Qatar Major, Acapulco** and **Santiago**), overcame their Spanish fellow countrymen **Guillermo Collado Losada** and **Javier Martinez** in two sets (6-2, 7-6). Even better did **Lucas Campagnolo** and **Javier Leal** (13), who gave up just three games to Spaniards **Rafael Mendez** and **Mario Del Castillo**. **Ramiro Moyano** and **Xisco Gil**, seeded **number 14**, won with a double 6-2 over the Italian pair of **Michele Bruno** and **Simone Iacovino**, who came from the qualifiers. Only one match went to the third set, the one that saw Spanish 'pareja' **Nacho Vilariño Gestoso/Miguel Semmler** prevail over fellow countrymen **Ferran Insa Sotillo/Roger Aromi**.

SCHEDULE On **Tuesday**, in the men's draw, five seeded players will be involved. The most eagerly awaited are **Coki Nieto** and **Jon Sanz**, seeded **number 9**, who triumphed (for the first time) in France last Sunday in the **Betclic Bordeaux Premier Padel P2**: they will be engaged in the derby against **Jairo Bautista** and **Francisco Guerrero** as the fourth match on Centre Court. Expectations are also high for **Lucas Bergamini** and **Victor Ruiz**, seeded **number 10**, who will play the opening match on Court 6 against **Jose Roman Martinez** and **Pablo Castillo Valverde**, a Spanish pair from the qualifiers. The **women's draw also starts on Tuesday**, with the first round matches: the **sixteen seeded players** all have a **bye** and will take the court from Wednesday.

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