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Nieto-Sanz, another feat: now the final with Di Nenno-Lebron

A new pair against one playing together for months. Two different stories, those of **Martin Di Nenno** and **Juan Lebron** and **Coki Nieto** and **Jon Sanz**, opponents tomorrow in the final of the **Finland Premier Padel P2**. On the one hand the number 1 seed on the draw, sharing the court for the first time; on the other the number 6 seed, among the few – given the dominance of Coello/Tapia and Chingotto/Galan – to have already won a **Premier Padel** circuit title. It happened in **Bordeaux**, and it could happen again in **Finland**, thanks to the victory in the semifinals against another new pair, **Pablo Cardona** and **Paquito Navarro** (3), at the end of a battle that lasted two hours and 22 minutes and ended 7-6 3-6 7-6, with **Nieto/Sanz** more lucid in the decisive moments and able to close the match with a smash by Jon after Cardona and Navarro had taken the match to the third set with a break. **Di Nenno** and **Lebron**, on the other hand, eliminated **Momo Gonzalez** and **Edu Alonso** in two sets (6-4 6-3): if for Di Nenno it will be the second final of the season (the only one, the Argentine lost in Sevilla), Lebron will find himself in a final that he had been missing since the P1 in **Acapulco**, with the chance of conquering his second title of the season after **Riyadh**, when he played in a pair with Galan.

WOMEN In the women's draw, on the other hand, two more tested pairs will play for the title, from 12 Finnish time (11 a.m. CET). **Paula Josemaria** and **Ari Sanchez** will be chasing their sixth title of the season, the 33rd as a pair: a victory that would allow the two Spaniards, number 1 in the seeding and in the FIP ranking, to distance the 'Gemelas Atomikas' Mapi and Majo Sanchez Alayeto. In the semifinals, Paula and Ari struggled in the first set against **Ale Alonso** and **Andrea Ustero**: down 4-2, however, Josemaria and Sanchez shifted gears, closing 6-4 6-1 in one hour and 15 minutes. **Marta Ortega** and **Sofia Araujo**, the number 2 seed, will be hunting for their second title in three tournaments since their reunion: the Spaniard and the Portuguese, in the second semifinal that lasted two hours and 9', defeated **Alejandra Salazar** and **Veronica Virseda**, who had found themselves ahead 4-1 in the tiebreak of the second set before suffering six points in a row, until the 6-3 7-6 with which Ortega/Araujo reached the final with Josemaria/Sanchez, who will want to take revenge after the knockout in **Genova**.

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