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## LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: TUESDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

### CENTRAL COURT

#### Luca Nardi (ITA) vs Marton Fucsovics (HUN)

25 Dubai (U.A.E.)

Hard R32

Luca Nardi

#### Nardi Leads 1-0

1-6 6-2 6-3

#### Other Meeting

25 Dubai Q (U.A.E.)

Hard Q2

Marton Fucsovics

7-6(5) 6-4

**Luca Nardi** | Age: 21 | World No. 93 | Career-High No. 67 | 2025: 4-6 (Dubai QF) | Bucharest: 0-1 (2024 1R)

- > Broke into Top 200 in April 2022, Top 100 in March 2024, then achieved a career-high No. 67 in March 2025 after advancing to his 1st ATP Tour QF in Dubai as LL.
- > Entered 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells as No. 123-ranked LL to become lowest-ranked player to defeat No. 1 Djokovic at an ATP Masters 1000 or Grand Slam event in his career.
- > Earned 1st ATP Tour win at 2022 Astana as Q after appearing in main draws of 2020 Antwerp as Q and 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Rome as WC and 2022 Hamburg as Q.
- > Owns 92-62 Challenger record (7-4 in finals), winning 1st title on home soil at Forli-1.
- > Coming from same hometown as Moto GP legend Valentino Rossi, he notes riding motorcycles as his biggest passion outside tennis.

**NOTE:** Nardi is playing in 1st clay court tournament since Roland Garros last May (l. to Muller in 1R). 21-year-old defeated Fucsovics en route to his 1st ATP Tour QF in Dubai as LL after losing to him in qualifying (l. to Halys).

**Marton Fucsovics** | Age: 33 | World No. 90 | Career-High No. 31 | 2025: 2-1 (Dubai 1R) | Bucharest: 5-0 (2024 Title)

- > Achieved career-high No. 31 in 2019 and became highest-ranked Hungarian since No. 29 Taroczy in 1983.
- > Defeated 2-time defending champion Wawrinka en route to 1st ATP Tour title at 2018 Geneva, becoming 1st Hungarian champion since Taroczy at 1982 Hilversum and won 2nd title at 2024 Bucharest.
- > Rallied for 5-set win over No. 7 Rublev at 2021 Wimbledon to become 1st men's quarter-finalist from Hungary at that event since Asboth in 1948.
- > Advanced to Grand Slam 4R on 3 other occasions, beating No. 5 Medvedev en route to 2020 Roland Garros 4R and to end 0-14 start to career vs. Top 10.
- > Became World No. 1 junior after capturing 2010 Wimbledon boys' singles title without dropping a set.

**NOTE:** Reigning champion Fucsovics captured 2nd ATP Tour title in Bucharest last year (also 2018 Geneva) and now seeks 1st ATP Tour win on clay since that title to set up a rematch of last year's final vs. Navone in 2R. He earned both tour-level wins this year in Davis Cup, defeating Diallo and Galarneau to help beat Canada 3-2.

#### Buyunchaokete (CHN) vs [5] Roberto Bautista Agut (ESP)

#### First Meeting

**Buyunchaokete** | Age: 23 | World No. 67 | Career-High No. 65 | 2025: 5-10 (Montpellier QF) | Bucharest: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Former World No. 5 junior earned 1st ranking point in January 2022, broke into Top 100 in September 2023 and achieved career-high No. 65 in December 2024.
- > Reached back-to-back ATP Tour SFs on home soil, losing to Zhang in first all-Chinese ATP Tour SF in Hangzhou and defeating No. 6 Rublev for biggest win of career to reach Beijing SF (l. to No. 1 Sinner).
- > Made tour-level debut at 2022 Davis Cup (l. to M. Cuevas) and ATP Tour debut at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai as WC, earning first career win over No. 45 Kecmanovic in 1R.
- > Owns 61-36 Challenger record (3-2 in finals) with titles at 2023 Seoul, 2024 Wuxi and 2024 Granby.
- > He notes Andy Murray as his tennis idol and played against him at 2023 Surbiton CH, losing in straight sets.
- > Earned win over future-Top 10 player Rune en route to 2019 Australian Open boys' singles 3R and reached quarterfinals in boys' doubles at 2019 Roland Garros w/Khan and 2020 Australian Open w/Mitsui.

**NOTE:** Buyunchaokete is playing in third ATP Tour match on clay of career after 2022 Davis Cup (I. to M. Cuevas) and 2025 Rio de Janeiro (I. to No. 2 Zverev). Chinese No. 3 is 0-9 vs. higher-ranked opponents this season and bids to be first Chinese match winner in tournament history.

**Roberto Bautista Agut** | Age: 36 | World No. 52 | Career-High No. 9 | 2025: 1-7 (Dubai 2R) | Bucharest: 0-0 (Debut)  
> Captured 12th ATP Tour title in Antwerp and 400th win of career in 2024 and ended 2019 at career-high No. 9.  
> Reached 1st Grand Slam QF at 2019 Australian Open and 1st Grand Slam SF at 2019 Wimbledon after entering season with 0-9 record in Grand Slam 4R matches.  
> Defeated No. 1 Djokovic in 2016 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai SF, 2019 Doha SF and 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Miami 4R, as well as No. 1 Medvedev in 2022 Mallorca QF.  
> Went 4-1 at 2022 ATP Cup and 6-0 at 2020 ATP Cup to lead Spain to finals after helping his country win 2019 Davis Cup.  
> Played football for Villarreal C.F. until he was 14 years old.

**NOTE:** Bautista Agut looks to record his 100th tour-level win on clay (99-74), highlighted by titles at 2014 Stuttgart and 2022 Kitzbuhel. 36-year-old seeks 2nd win of 2025 after defeating No. 55 Marozsan in Dubai 1R.

## **[WC] Stan Wawrinka (SUI) vs [Q] Timofey Skatov (KAZ) First Meeting**

**Stan Wawrinka** | Age: 40 | World No. 161 | Career-High No. 3 | 2025: 0-4 (4 times in 1R) | Bucharest: 0-2 (2004, 2024 1R)  
> Achieved career-high No. 3 in 2014 and ended 2014-16 at No. 4 before undergoing 2 left knee surgeries in 2017 and 2 left foot surgeries in 2021.  
> Boasts 5 wins over World No. 1 at Grand Slams, including finals of 2014 Australian Open (d. Nadal), 2015 Roland Garros (d. Djokovic) and 2016 US Open (d. Djokovic).  
> One of 3 players to defeat Djokovic, Federer, Murray and Nadal at Grand Slams (also Berdych, Tsonga).  
> Owns 16 singles titles with 11 straight wins in finals from 2014-16, defeating fellow Swiss Federer for lone ATP Masters 1000 title at 2014 Monte-Carlo.  
> Won 2008 Beijing Olympics doubles gold medal w/Federer and helped Switzerland capture 2014 Davis Cup.

**NOTE:** Wawrinka aims to record an ATP Tour win in a 22nd different season (2003, 2005-2024). He is making his third appearance in Bucharest, debuting at age 19 in 2004 (I. to Ferrer) and returning 20 years later in 2024 (I. to Borges in 1R). He would be the third player aged over 40 to win an ATP Tour or Grand Slam match on clay since 1980 after Connors, 41, at 1994 Atlanta (d. Flach) and Karlovic, 40, at 2019 Roland Garros (d. F. Lopez).

### **Most Seasons With a Tour-Level Win:**

Jimmy Connors – 25 (1970-1989, 1991-95)	Novak Djokovic – 22 (2004-25)
Roger Federer – 24 (1998-2021)	Feliciano Lopez – 22 (2001-21, 2023)
Richard Gasquet – 24 (2002-25)	Gael Monfils – 22 (2004-25)
Rafael Nadal – 23 (2002-24)	Guillermo Vilas – 22 (1968-89)

**Timofey Skatov** | Age: 24 | World No. 174 | Career-High No. 123 | 2024: 0-0 (Bucharest 1R) | Bucharest: 0-0 (Debut)  
> Former World No. 1 junior broke into Top 200 in March 2022 and achieved career-high No. 123 in September 2023.  
> Earned clay court wins over No. 22 Cerundolo and No. 28 Etcheverry in 2024 Davis Cup play vs. Argentina and No. 27 Griekspoor to reach 1st ATP Tour QF at 2024 Bastad as Q.  
> Made ATP Tour debut on home soil at 2020 Astana as WC and defeated Seppi for 1st win at 2021 Astana as WC.  
> Qualified for Grand Slam events at 2022 Australian Open, 2023 Roland Garros and US Open in 2023 and 2024.  
> Owns 95-83 Challenger record (2-3 in finals), highlighted by titles at 2022 Parma and 2024 Augsburg.  
> Went 90-33 on ITF Junior Circuit, including wins over future Top-50 ATP players Draper, Musetti and Nakashima.

**NOTE:** Skatov is playing his 1st ATP Tour event since Almaty last October and bids to record first ATP Tour win since defeating No. 27 Griekspoor to reach first tour-level quarter-final in Bastad in July last year and first win over a former Grand Slam champion.

## **COURT 1**

### **Dusan Lajovic (SRB) vs Christopher O'Connell (AUS) First Meeting**

### **[8] Camilo Ugo Carabelli (ARG) vs Radu Albot (MDA) First Tour-Level Meeting**

#### **Other Meeting**

23 Roland Garros Q (France)	Clay	Q3	Radu Albot	6-7(2) 6-4 6-1
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**Gabriel Diallo (CAN) vs Chun-Hsin Tseng (TPE)**

**First Meeting**

**COURT 2**

**[Q] Valentin Vacherot (MON) vs Damir Dzumhur (BIH)**

**First Meeting**

**Alexander Shevchenko (KAZ) vs [Q] Filip Misolic (AUT)**  
**Other Meeting**

**First Tour-Level Meeting**

21 M25 Köttingbrunn (Austria)

Clay

R32

Alexander Shevchenko 6-1 6-4

**[Q] Martin Klizan (SVK) vs Francisco Comesana (ARG)**

**First Meeting**