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GABRIEL DIALLO CROWNED CHAMPION OF ITF 25K TOURNAMENT IN MONTREAL

Montreal, March 20, 2023 — On Sunday, Canada's Gabriel Diallo, the top seed at the \$25,000 ITF Men's World Tennis Tour event held at Stade IGA in Montreal, won his first title of the season, defeating No. 2 seed Henri Squire of Germany in straight sets 7-6(5), 6-3.

The 21-year-old, who took a wild card into the tournament, also knocked out third-seeded American Strong Kirchheimer 6-2, 7-6(6) in the semifinals. The win marks the third title of Diallo's professional career. Last year, he took home top honours on home soil last summer at the Granby National Bank Championships, the most prestigious tournament he's won to date.

It was smooth sailing for the Canadian through his five matches during the tournament after coming through a decisive third set tiebreak in the opening round against American Toby Kodat.

His Montreal triumph is a good boost of confidence for Diallo as he continues his first full season on the pro circuit. He'll move on to Biel, Switzerland this week to compete in the FlowBank Challenger Bienne, a Challenger 100 tournament on the ATP Challenger Tour. He's seeded eighth in the singles draw and will face Swiss wild card Dylan Dietrich in the opening round.

The Montreal doubles title was won by the top-seeded American duo of Ezekiel Clark and Alfredo Perez who defeated their compatriots Tristan McCormick and Jakub Wojcik 7-5, 7-6(4).

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