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FÉLIX AUGER-ALIASSIME AND LIAM DRAXL SET TO OPEN FOR TEAM CANADA AT DAVIS CUP QUALIFIERS 2ND ROUND TIE

Liam Draxl is scheduled to face Arthur Rinderknech in the opening match on Friday

[QUEBEC CITY, QC] September 17, 2026 — The official draw for the Davis Cup Qualifier 2nd Round Tie between Team Canada presented by IGA and France took place on Thursday at Ubisoft's studios in Quebec City to determine the matchups for this weekend's tie. The tie, set to take place from September 18-19 at Centre Vidéotron in Quebec City, will determine which nation will advance to the Davis Cup Final 8 set to take place in Bologna, Italy from November 24-29.

Félix Auger-Aliassime (Montreal, QC) and Liam Draxl (Newmarket, ON) were selected by team captain Frank Dancevic to play singles. Arthur Rinderknech and Quentin Halys were selected by Paul-Henri Mathieu to play singles for France. On Friday, Draxl will face Rinderknech in the opening match with Auger-Aliassime facing Halys in the match following.

"We're super excited to be here, it's always incredible playing at home. Having the home crowd. I've heard this is to date the biggest stadium we've ever played at home. So that's very exciting for us. We've played with some rowdy crowds that have helped us out in Canada, in Vancouver, even Montreal but this being the biggest stadium we're hoping for a lot of crowd support and we're really looking forward to it," said Dancevic.

In doubles, Auger-Aliassime and Duncan Chan (Markham, ON) will take on the duo of Benjamin Bonzi and Pierre-Hugues Herbert.

Day one of the tie is set to begin on Friday, September 18 at 5:00 p.m. ET, followed by day two on Saturday, September 19, starting at 2 p.m. ET. Team Canada presented by IGA's 2026 Davis Cup Qualifier 2nd Round Tie against France will be nationally broadcast live by TVA Sports in French and TSN in English, while BeIN France will cover the event at the international level. Tickets are going fast for Canada's highly-anticipated tie against France. Fans hoping to be part of the action at Centre Vidéotron are encouraged to secure their seats now. [Click here](#) to purchase.

MEDIA NOTES

- Canada (No. 12) advanced to the Qualifiers 2nd Round following a 3-2 victory over Brazil in February at UBC's Doug Mitchell Thunderbird Sports Centre in Vancouver.
- France (No. 6) qualified by defeating Slovakia 3-1 in the Qualifiers 1st Round.
- France leads the head-to-head with Canada 3-0, with their most recent meeting ending in a 5-0 French victory in Guadeloupe in 2016.
- The Canadian team was crowned world champions in 2022, defeating Australia 2-0 in the final.



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- France last won the Davis Cup in 2017, claiming its 10th world title.

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