



# Press Conference



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with **PABLO CARRENO BUSTA**

Carreno Busta – Fognini 3-6, 6-2, 7-6(4)

QUESTION: How are you feeling?

CARRENO BUSTA: Now, I feel really good. It was a really tough match. You know, against Fabio it's always a tough match. You need to be very focussed, but today at the beginning of the match, I don't know why, but I started so bad. But well, I accepted my mistakes and I tried to do it better and in the middle of the second set, I started to play better and better. Well, in the second set we had chances. He gave me a break, then I broke back, I have break up, he broke back. It was really close. I had a lot of match points but finally in the tiebreak I could do it.

QUESTION: Now, you are going to play Andrey Rublev. How are you going to get ready for that?

CARRENO BUSTA: Rublev, he's playing really good. He beat Dominic, the number one of the draw, so I need to be better than today, a better level than today, but the same level mentally.

QUESTION: Obviously, you reached the semis in Antalya and you played Bostad before, how happy are you to be back on the clay?

CARRENO BUSTA: I am very happy, not to be back on the clay but to be back on the court. This year, it was very tough to me to play matches, I was injured a lot of times and, well, now I'm happy to be back on the court again. I am very happy because I'm playing the matches I want to play, against Struff, against Fabio, now against Rublev a semi-finals in a 500 ATP tournament. That is why I play you know, it is important for me to be here.

QUESTION: Do you feel that you are getting back to your best?

CARRENO BUSTA: Yes, why not? I'm playing good. Yesterday, against Jan-Lennard, I played probably one of my best matches in the first set of course. Today, I didn't play my best level but I did play very good mentally.