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Jannik Sinner

Press Conference



THE MODERATOR: Jannik, welcome back to Paris. How are you feeling in the lead-up to the last few events of 2024?

JANNIK SINNER: Yes, it has been a long season, but always when you arrive to the end, everything can happen. You know, some players, they are a bit more fresher; some, they are a bit more tired.

But I'm personally happy to be back here. It has been a tournament where, you know, I couldn't find yet my best tennis until now. But, you know, let's see what I can do this year. Hopefully it's going to be a good one but also a very, very tough one.

THE MODERATOR: Questions in English.

Q. There has been a lot of talk recently about the ITF allowing off-court coaching. How much do you think coaching actually changes matches? It's been in place kind of for a few years with the ATP.

JANNIK SINNER: Yeah, I hadn't read perfectly what this coaching is about. The coaching, they stay from the players' box or they can come on court?

Q. (Off microphone.)

JANNIK SINNER: Yeah, I don't think it will change like incredibly much. Even now they are just some coaches who still, you know, give some advice at some times.

So, you know, I believe that this sport is still -- as a player, you are alone in the court and trying to figure out alone what the situation is. But, you know, there are already, you know, some connections with the coach, and then you understand already what he's talking about and what he's suggesting already, so I don't think it's going to change incredibly much.

We haven't seen, like, a big, big change when there is no coaching, no? Because you watch the coach, you understand him already for years, and, you know, so you understand what's coming.

So let's see. But I don't think it's going to be a big, big change.

Q. It's not the easiest draw for you. What are your thoughts about your first opponents? The start of your tournament won't be so easy?

JANNIK SINNER: Yeah, very tough draw. Very, very difficult draw, especially here on these courts. You know, big servers are very tough.

Yeah, it's a very, very tough draw. But, you know, we go day by day. Then everything can happen. The draw can open up sometimes, or, you know, you never know what's coming.

I try to prepare in the best possible way for the first-round match. It's going to be very difficult against Ben. It's very, very difficult in any case. And against Felix, I never won. So, you know, it's going to be a very tough one.

You know, I'm looking forward to it. I'm focused about myself, and hopefully I can raise the level from the last two years I came here, which I have struggled a little bit here on this court. So let's see.

Q. You mentioned the fact that many players were tired at the end of the season. What's your level of freshness coming into these last few tournaments before the ATP Finals in Turin and Davis Cup?

JANNIK SINNER: Yeah, I feel like that we made some very, very good choices throughout this whole year, trying to be ready also for the end of the year.

I was lucky also to don't play as many tournaments and going always quite far in tournaments, which was good for me. My level seems okay.

You know, these questions are going to be answered then on court, but, you know, talking about my general mental stages, it's very fine. I'm happy to be here, and obviously then for me the main event it's going to be in Turin.

You know, this is for me the main event of the end of the year, and it was one goal from the beginning of the year, you know, to qualify there, so let's see.

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