

# Miami Open presented by Itaú

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## Roberto Bautista

### Agut

#### Press Conference

R. AGUT/N. Djokovic

1-6, 7-5, 6-3

THE MODERATOR: Questions, please.

**Q. What was the key to turning that match around?  
How much did the rain help you?**

ROBERTO BAUTISTA AGUT: Well, the key of the match was at the beginning of the second set, no? If I wanted to win the match, I had to be very close at the score. Otherwise Novak, when he gets an advantage, he plays really aggressive.

As you see, the first set I couldn't play at the same level.

**Q. What did you change in your game to make it closer?**

ROBERTO BAUTISTA AGUT: I played more aggressive. I tried to miss less balls, to be really concentrate on the beginning of the point with my serve, with my return. Well, at the end, it worked well.

**Q. How important was the win earlier this year on a similar surface with Novak?**

ROBERTO BAUTISTA AGUT: Well, the conditions here are much slower, more much slower than in Doha. It took me a while to get used to the conditions, to the center court. Today was more humid, more hot in the court.

It helped me at the end of the match, no? I had confidence to play at a really high level at the end of the match, and I could close the match well with my serve.

**Q. What is it about your game that matches up well with Novak? You have beaten him I think three times now when he was No. 1 in the world.**

ROBERTO BAUTISTA AGUT: Well, I think it's because I'm doing great things, practicing well, I'm working hard, and then I'm happy that then I can show up on the tennis court.

**Q. Is there something about Novak as an opponent, though, that you like compared to, I don't know,**



**Nadal or Federer? Something about the Novak game that matches better with yours?**

ROBERTO BAUTISTA AGUT: Of course there are some players you feel better to play against them and some less, no?