



MEDIA INFORMATION

EHF FINALS MEN 2022

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I INTRODUCTION TO THE EHF FINALS MEN 2022

Welcome to two exciting days of handball, welcome to the EHF Finals Men 2022!

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you all to the final tournament of the EHF European League Men 2021/22. On 28 and 29 May, the Altice Arena in Lisbon is hosting the final tournament of the second season of this revamped club competition.

Four clubs are still in the race for that coveted trophy and the line-up for the EHF Finals Men leaves no room for doubt that we are in for a cracking weekend of handball.

Media interest has been huge for the entire EHF European League season and will reach even new heights with the extensive coverage of the EHF Finals Men, as the four matches will be shown on TV screens across Europe as well as on EHFTV.

For your convenience we prepared this media guide which should become your best companion over the entire weekend. You can find all the necessary information about the media operations on site, about the competition and of course the four qualified teams and their players as well.

We expect extensive local, national and international coverage of the EHF Finals Men 2022. If you require any help or assistance during this tournament, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the media team from EHF, EHFM and Benfica Lisbon, no matter whether you will be present at the majestic Altice Arena or you will cover the event remotely.

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I ESSENTIAL MEDIA INFORMATION

Following a successful premiere of the EHF Finals Men 2021 in Mannheim, Germany, the focus of the handball world shifts to the culmination of the EHF European League season in Lisbon for the last weekend of May. No matter whether they cover the tournament on site or remotely, the EHF Media team will regularly provide all journalists with all the essential information.

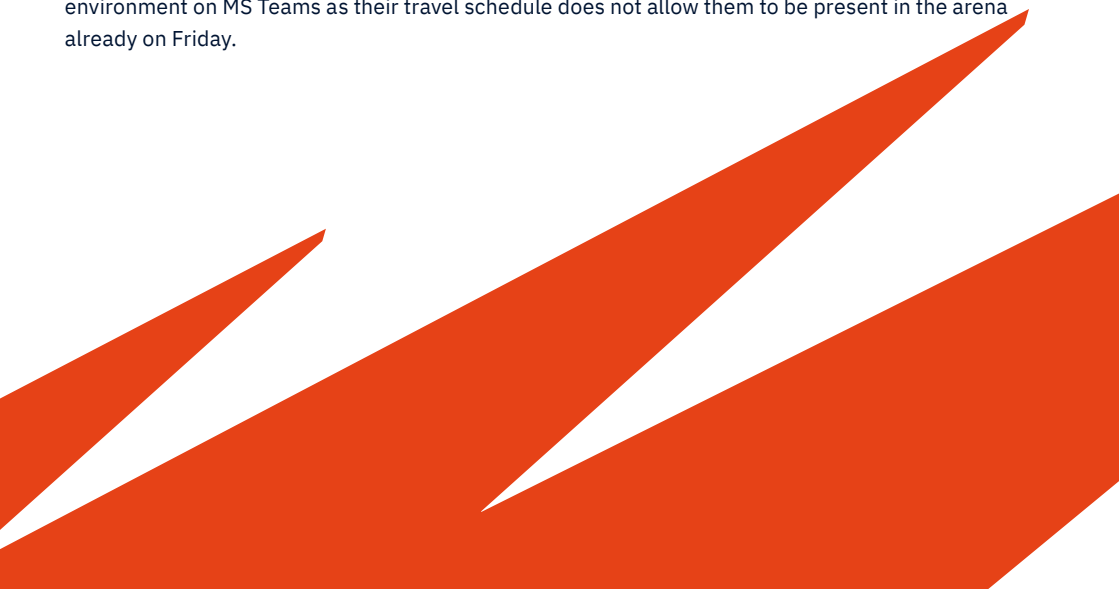
Resources available

The EHF Media team together with the tournament's hosts will do their utmost to provide all accredited media with as much access to the teams as possible. The journalists will be able to talk to the players and the coaches at the media calls and open trainings, in the mixed zone and also at the post-match press conferences.

For all media covering the event remotely we offer all post-match press conferences streamed on the Home of Handball YouTube, the quotes service will be at the journalists' disposal on the eurohandball.com website and we will also provide a limited number of pictures from the tournament via our cloud system.

Media call on Friday 27 May

The media call with the representatives of the four participating teams has become a tradition at the final tournaments of the EHF club competitions and the second edition of the EHF Finals Men will be no exception. The accredited written press, radio and TV commentators will have an opportunity to discuss the upcoming tournament in the Altice Arena with the head coaches and the key players of each team. For Benfica, Nexø and Plock the media calls will take place in the mixed zone of the arena before or after their Friday's trainings, while SC Magdeburg's call will be covered in the virtual environment on MS Teams as their travel schedule does not allow them to be present in the arena already on Friday.



Official event name/official hashtag

The official name of the event is the 'EHF European League Men Finals' or 'EHF Finals Men' for short. The hashtag for the event is #ehffinals.

Video recording

Video in the arena may only be recorded with the express permission of EHF Marketing GmbH. Please contact EHF Media Officer, Oliver Laaber (laaber@ehfmarketing.com | +43 676 770 9309), for further information in advance of the event. Equipment used for video recording without permission will be removed.

EHF Finals Men Online

The event will be covered extensively online by the EHF Media and Communications Department. The event can be followed at ehfel.eurohandball.com and on the official EHF European League social media channels:

https://www.instagram.com/ehfel_official/

https://twitter.com/ehfel_official


<https://www.facebook.com/ehfeuropeanleague>



I MEDIA RULES AND GUIDELINES

Official EHF M Rules of Conduct for ENG Crews

The following guidelines and rules of conduct for ENG Crews have been developed to make the job of ENG crews easier at EHF events. Upon receiving an accreditation and signing for an ENG bib, TV crews automatically agree to follow the EHF M Rule of Conduct for TV ENG crews:

1. ENG crews are obliged to produce a media identification card upon request.
 2. The Host Broadcaster acts on behalf of the European Handball Federation/EHF Marketing GmbH.
 3. ENG personnel are requested to wear the bib and accreditation at ALL times.
 4. All ENG crews must use the stickers provided on their camera equipment.
 5. The bib and the accreditation are only valid for the EHF Finals Men 2022.
 6. Only the Host Broadcaster is permitted onto the playing court.
 7. Right holders have to stay in the positions designated to them during the games
 8. Non-rights holders are not permitted to film during the matches.
 9. The guidelines and instructions of the Host Broadcasters MUST be followed at all time.
 10. At no time, before, during or after the match are ENG crews permitted to stay in the area behind the players' seats or behind the official table. They must place themselves in the position advised by the EHF M.
 11. ENG crews are only permitted in the TV area of the mixed zone.
 12. ENG crews are not permitted to interfere/obstruct in the work of the Host Broadcaster.
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I LISBON HOSTS THE EHF FINALS MEN 2022

The EHF Finals Men 2022 is heading to the Altice Arena in the Portuguese capital Lisbon for the weekend 28-29 May. The decision comes after EHF Executive Committee confirmed SL Benfica's bid to host the event following the conclusion of the EHF European League Men quarter-finals this week. Hosts Benfica will be joined by the defending champions from Germany, SC Magdeburg, together with Polish club OrLEN Wisla Plock and RK Nexe from Croatia. The 12,500-seater Altice Arena is no stranger to handball, having hosted the IHF World Championship final in 2003.

EHF President Michael Wiederer said: "We are delighted that the eagerly anticipated climax to the EHF European League Men will be hosted by Benfica – for what will be the first time in history that the finals of our second tier competition will be hosted in Portugal. "The four clubs who will be fighting to lift the trophy this season have been fascinating to watch in recent matches and I am really looking forward to witnessing two days of thrilling and fast handball come the end of May."

David Szlezak, Managing Director EHF Marketing, added: "From a brand perspective to have such a high-profile event hosted by Benfica is very exciting for us, the competition, the players and the fans. "The EHF European League has built itself a reputation for being a competition that shows real passion for handball and we have no doubt that Benfica and their fans will provide this in spades.

The event will be organised in accordance with the EHF Hygiene Protocol as well as with the health regulations in place in Portugal.



Playing hall
Altice Arena
Parque das Nações
Rossio dos Olivais, Lote
2.13.01A
1990-231 Lisboa
Lisbon, Portugal

Capacity: 12,500

I TV COVERAGE

AUT – DAZN

BIH – Arena Sport 1 & 2

BLR – Belarus 5

BUL – B1B

CRO – Arena Sport 2

CZE – Sport 1 & 2

DEN – Viaplay

ESP – DAZN

FIN – Viaplay

FRA – Eurosport 2 & Player

GEO – Silk Sport HD1 & Universal

GER – DAZN

HUN – Sport 1

ISR – Sport 3

MENA – ONTIME Sports

MKD – Arena Sport 1 & 2

MNE – Arena Sport 1 & 2

NOR – Viaplay

POL – Eurosport 1 & Player

POR – BenficaTV

ROU – Orange Sport 2 & 3

SLO – Arena Sport 1 & 2

SRB – Arena Sport 1 & 2

SVK – Sport 1 & 2

SWE – Viaplay

UKR – Sport 1

WORLD – EHFTV*

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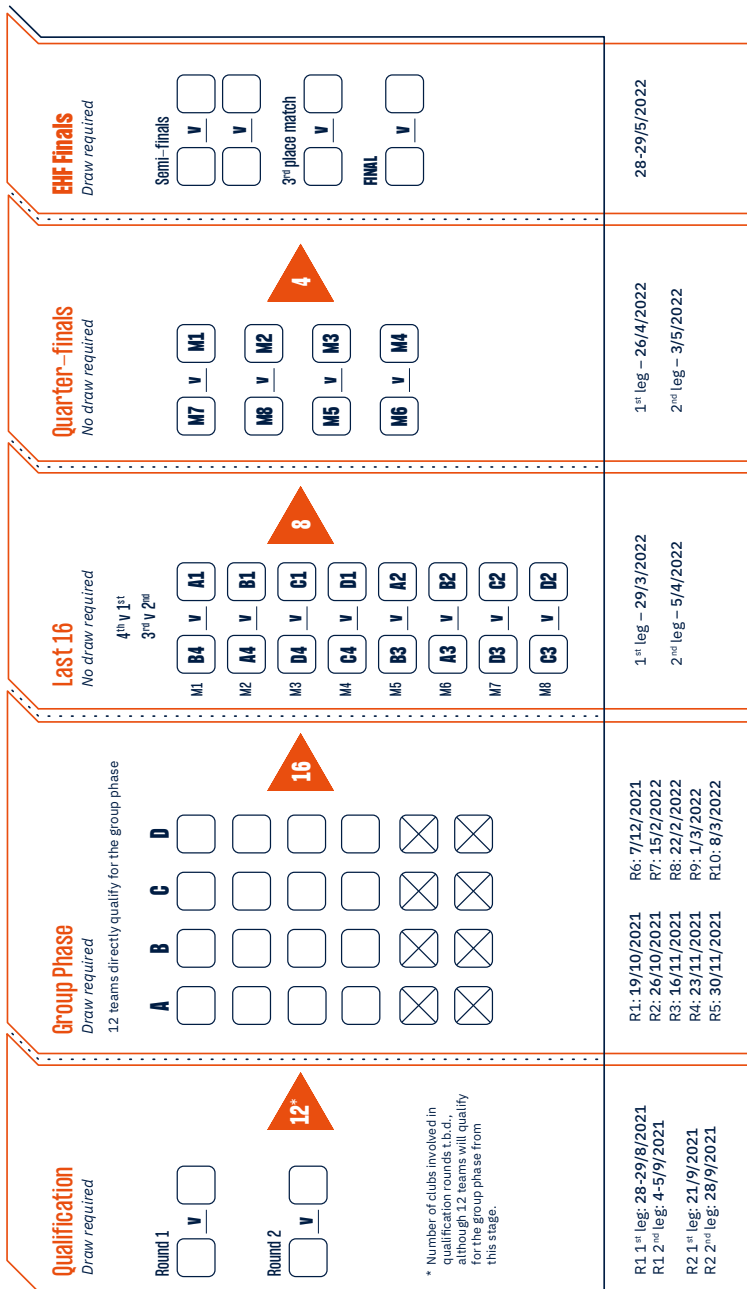
EUROPEAN LEAGUE MEN 2021/22 GROUP PHASE



EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE MEN

2021/22 SEASON

Playing system and dates



TWO DEBUTANTS, FOUR COUNTRIES AND THE FIRST EVER CROATIAN TEAM

FACTS AND FIGURES: ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE THE EHF FINALS MEN

Defending champions Magdeburg, last years' semi-finalists Plock and the EHF Finals debutants Benfica and Nexe qualified for the pinnacle event of the EHF European League Men. Nexe are the first ever Croatian club to qualify for any EHF final tournament - and they have the quarter-final top scorer Halil Jaganjac in their squad.

Here are many more Facts and Figures on the European League season 2021/22, the quarter-finals and the upcoming EHF Finals.

1 team qualified unbeaten for the EHF Finals: defending champions SC Magdeburg (12 victories and two draws)

1 - Nexe are the first ever Croatian club to qualify for any final tournament of Men's EHF club competitions since the premiere of the EHF FINAL 4 in 2010 and the the EHF Finals in 2013

1 team - again Nexe - made it from the first qualification round to the EHF Finals

1

former EHF Champions League winner is still part of the competition: Magdeburg, winner in 2002

1 German club only at the EHF Finals had happened the last time in 2016, when Göppingen won the trophy in Nantes

1 time in the eight quarter-final matches, 70 or more goals were scored, in the 37:37 between GOG and Nexe in the second leg

1 country is represented by participants of both EHF Finals men and women: Germany - Magdeburg and Bietigheim

2 different nations represent the winners of the EHF Finals since 2013: Germany (7 trophies) and Hungary (1)

2 clubs qualified for a final tournament in any EHF club competition for the first time in history: Nexe and Benfica

2

Benfica are the second Portuguese side to qualify for a EHF Finals tournament after FC Porto in 2019

2 clubs made it for their second straight EHF Finals: defending champions Magdeburg and Plock

2 teams - again Magdeburg and Plock - won both legs of the quarter-finals

2 group winners qualified for the EHF Finals: Plock (group A) and Magdeburg (group C) - Nimes (winner of group D) had already failed in the Last 16 against Velenje, GOG (group B) against Nexe in the quarter-finals

2 former EHF Finals participants were eliminated in the quarter-finals: Nantes (2013, 2016) and Velenje (2015)

2 coaches, still in competition, are parallel national team coaches: Chema Rodriguez (Benfica/Hungary) and Javier Sabate (Plock/ Czech Republic).

3 of the four EHF Finals participants remained unbeaten in Last 16 and quarter-finals: Nexe, Magdeburg, Plock - by three victories and one draw each

3 times in the 8 quarter-final matches, 60 and more goals were scored

4 nations are represented by the four EHF Finals participants - for the first time since 2014 and the second time since the implementation in 2013

4 - for the fourth time after 2017, 2018 and 2021, SC Magdeburg have qualified for EHF Finals

4 of the eight quarter-final matches ended by home victories, each two by draws and away wins

+5 goals were the closest margin in the quarter-finals: Magdeburg vs Nantes (58:53) and Nexe vs GOG (69:64)

4 teams, which won the first leg of the quarter-finals (which means all), booked their tickets for the EHF Finals

6 different clubs have won the EHF Finals since the premiere in 2013: Göppingen, Berlin (each 2), Rhein-Neckar Löwen, Szeged, Kiel and Magdeburg

9 - Croatia is the ninth country represented at the EHF Finals (EHF Cup Finals) since 2013 after Germany, France, Denmark, Romania, Hungary, Slovenia, Spain and Portugal

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matches since the start of the group phase ended with 70 or more goals

12 goals were scored by Halil Jaganjac (in Nexe's 37:37 against GOG) and Michael Damgaard (in Magdeburg's 30:28 against Nantes) to become the individual top scorer in a single quarter-final

12 victories each were taken by Magdeburg and Plock in the 14 matches since the start of the group phase

13 goals were the biggest gap in a quarter-final match, when Plock beat Kadetten 35:22

15 goals (68:53 in the duel Plock vs Schaffhausen) were the biggest overall margin in the quarter-finals

15 of the 142 matches decided on court since the start of the group phase ended with a draw

15

was the low-score of a team since the start of the group phase, Presov at the 15:29 against Plock, the low-score of a single team in the quarter-finals were 22 goals by Kadetten in the 22:35 at Plock

16 goals were the biggest gap since the start of the group phase, when GOG beat Cocks 46:30 in the group phase

21 goals (9+12) were scored by Nexe's Halil Jaganjac in both quarter-finals against GOG to become the top scorer of this round ahead of Simon Pytlick (17) and Jerry Tollbring (15, both GOG)

43 goals were the low-score since the start of the group phase: Nexe's 22:21 Last 16 away win at Bitola, 53 goals in Magdeburg's 28:25 win at Nantes in the first leg were the low score of the quarter-finals

46 was the high score of a team in a single match since the start of the group phase, when GOG beat Cocks 46:30, the high-score in the quarter-finals were 37 goals by GOG and Nexe (37:37)

47 matches since the start of the group phase and decided on the court, were won by the away teams

59 matches since the start of the group phase ended with 60 or more goals

69 goals were scored by Nexe in the quarter-finals to top the list ahead of Plock (68), Benfica (63) and Magdeburg (58)

74 goals in the second leg of GOG vs Nexe (37:37) were the high-score in the quarter-finals

80 of the 142 matches decided on court since the start of the group phase, were won by the home teams

97 goals are on the tally of Halil Jaganjac since the start of the group phase to be top scorer still in competition, ahead of Petar Djordjic (Benfica/90)

99 goals were scored by Mohamed Sanad (Nimes) since the start of the group phase to be the currently best scorer of the competition

473 goals were scored by Benfica since the start of the group phase to have the best attack of those teams, still in competition. Ahead of Magdeburg (440), Plock (438) and Nexe (415)

484 goals were scored in the eight quarter-final matches, an average of 60.5 per match

8,390 goals were scored in those 134 matches decided on court since the start of the group phase, including 950 in the Last 16 and 6,956 in the group phase



SEMI-FINAL PAIRINGS

SC MAGDEBURG (GER) VS RK NEXE (CRO)



Semi-final: Saturday, 28 May at 16:00 CEST, 15:00 local time

Referees: Vaidas Mazeika, Mindaugas Gatelis (LTU)



- Magdeburg have won seven of eight previous duels against Nexe, including two in the 2021/22 group phase, the only Nexe victory dates back to 2012
- Magdeburg are the defending champions and had been part of the EHF Finals in 2017 and 2018 before, they were three times EHF Cup winners and once winners of the EHF Champions League
- SCM can win up to three trophies this season, after raising the IHF Super Globe and currently being clear number 1 in German Bundesliga
- Nexe are the first ever Croatian team to qualify for any final tournament in any EHF European Cup competition
- Nexe are currently playing the finals of the Croatian league against PPD Zagreb, in the regular round they had caused Zagreb's first ever defeat since 15 years, but lost the first final match
- with 97 goals since the start of the group phase, Nexe's Halil Jaganjac is the currently best scorer still in competition, Magdeburg's best scorers are Michael Damgaard and Omar Ingi Magnusson by 54 goals each
- Magdeburg are the only unbeaten team of the competition with 12 victories and two draws since the start of the group phase and eliminated Nantes in the quarter-finals, while Nexe have a balance of eight victories, one draw and five defeats, beating GOG in the quarter-finals

PREVIOUS EC ENCOUNTERS

SC Magdeburg vs RK Nexe 7-0-1 (235:199) 14:2

11.02.2012	SC Magdeburg vs RK Nexe Nasice, EHF Cup – Last 16	33:31 (17:13)
18.02.2012	RK Nexe Nasice vs SC Magdeburg, EHF Cup – Last 16	22:21 (10:6)
19.11.2016	SC Magdeburg vs RK Nexe, EHF Cup – Qualification Round 3	31:22 (17:12)
26.11.2016	RK Nexe vs SC Magdeburg, EHF Cup – Qualification Round 3	27:30 (12:14)
01.12.2020	RK Nexe vs SC Magdeburg, EHF European League – Group C	24:32 (8:15)
08.12.2020	SC Magdeburg vs RK Nexe, EHF European League – Group C	28:23 (17:10)
07.12.2021	SC Magdeburg vs RK Nexe, EHF European League – Group C	32:26 (19:14)
08.03.2022	RK Nexe vs SC Magdeburg, EHF European League – Group C	24:28 (11:11)



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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white
Player short: white
Goalkeeper shirt: yellow

Dark

Player shirt: green
Player short: black
Goalkeeper shirt: red or
green



Playing hall

Getec Arena Magdeburg
Berliner Chaussee 32
39114 Magdeburg
Germany
Capacity: 7,800

SC MAGDEBURG



ROAD TO THE EHF FINALS MEN

GROUP C:

@ RK Gorenje Velenje	W27:31 (14:13)
vs PAUC Handball	W31:27 (18:18)
@ BM Logroño La Rioja	D29:29 (13:16)
vs BM Logroño La Rioja	W33:31 (16:15)
vs RK Nexø	W32:26 (19:14)
@ IK Sävehof	W26:29 (11:11)
vs RK Gorenje Velenje	W34:24 (20:12)
@ PAUC Handball	W28:39 (13:20)
vs IK Sävehof	W31:25 (17:13)
@ RK Nexø	W24:28 (11:11)

LAST 16:

@ Sporting CP	D29:29 (16:13)
vs Sporting CP	W36:35 (21:19)

QUARTER-FINALS

@ HBC Nantes	W25:28 (13:11)
vs HBC Nantes	W30:28 (16:12)

CURRENT TOP SCORERS*

1. Michael Damgaard (DEN)	54
Ómar Ingi Magnussen (ISL)	54
3. Kay Smits (NED)	53
4. Lukas Mertens (GER)	48
5. Magnus Saugstrup (DEN)	35

* starting from the group phase only

FINAL RANKING GROUP C

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	P
1. SC Magdeburg	10	9	1	0	317:267	(50)	19
2. IK Sävehof	10	6	0	4	313:297	(16)	12
3. RK Nexø	10	5	0	5	295:300	(-5)	10
4. RK Gorenje Velenje	10	4	1	5	284:306	(-22)	9
5. BM Logroño La Rioja	10	3	1	6	307:317	(-10)	7
6. PAUC Handball	10	1	1	8	290:319	(-29)	3

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF Champions League

Winners (1): 2001/02

EHF European League

Winners (1): 2020/21

EHF Cup

Winners (3): 1998/99, 2000/01, 2006/07

Champions Cup (forerunner of CL)

Winners (2): 1977/78, 1980/81

EHF Champions Trophy

Winners (3): 1980/81, 2000/01, 2001/02

German league (11)

2001 (GDR league: 1970, 1977, 1980, 1981-85, 1988, 1991)


German cup (7)

1996, 2016 (GDR Cup: 1970, 1977, 1978, 1984, 1990)





BENNET WIEGERT
Coach

 @bennetwiegert

- former German international on the left wing, who played for Magdeburg from 1998-2013, except for three years
- won the CL with the club as a player in 2002, and the inaugural EHF European League as a coach in 2021
- replaced Ger Sveinsson as head coach of Magdeburg in December 2015; previously worked as director of the club's youth academy
- his father, Ingolf, won Olympic gold as a player in 1980 and later was also Magdeburg coach

EC trophies: CL 2002 (as player); EL 2021 (as coach)

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

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TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height	Weight
38	Alexander	Möller	GER	Centre Back	23/02/2003	Magdeburg, GER	194	
33	Carl Philipp	Haake	GER	Left Wing	30/04/2002	Magdeburg, GER	185	
C 24	Christian	O'Sullivan	NOR	Centre Back	22/08/1991	Oslo, NOR	190	
11	Daniel	Pettersson	SWE	Right Wing	06/05/1992	Eskilstuna, SWE	179	
7	Ellias	Ruddat	GER	Left Wing	12/02/2002	Magdeburg, GER	186	
36	Felix	Eißing	GER	Right Wing	14/10/2002	Magdeburg, GER	191	
10	Gisli Thorgeir	Kristjansson	ISL	Centre Back	30/07/1999	Reykjavik, ISL	191	
66	Janik	Patzwaldt	GER	Goalkeeper	22/05/2001	Magdeburg, GER	192	
16	Jannick	Green	DEN	Goalkeeper	29/09/1988	Lemvig, DEN	195	
31	KayKirstenEvert	Smits	NED	Right Back	31/03/1997	Geleen, NED	186	
35	Luka	Baumgart	GER	Right Back	05/08/1999	Magdeburg, GER	193	
22	Lukas	Mertens	GER	Left Wing	22/03/1996	Wilhelmshaven, GER	182	
21	Magnus	Gullerud	NOR	Line Player	13/11/1991	Kongsvinger, NOR	194	
23	MagnusSaugstrup	Jensen	DEN	Line Player	12/07/1996	Aalborg, DEN	195	
25	Marko	Bezjak	SLO	Centre Back	26/06/1986	Ptuj, SLO	184	
6	Matthias	Musche	GER	Left Wing	18/07/1992	Magdeburg, GER	186	
34	Michael	Damgaard	DEN	Left Back	18/03/1990	Lolland, DEN	192	
1	Mike	Jensen	DEN	Goalkeeper	26/02/1995	Maribo, DEN	207	
95	Moritz	Preuß	GER	Line Player	22/02/1995	Dachau, GER	194	
1	Niclas	Behrendt	GER	Goalkeeper	11/01/2002	Wittorf, GER	192	
39	Ole	Schramm	GER	Left Back	28/12/1999	Magdeburg, GER	193	
14	Ómar Ingi	Magnusson	ISL	Right Back	12/03/1997	Selfoss, ISL	184	
41	Oskar	Schöll	GER	Centre Back	24/03/2001	Magdeburg, GER	181	
20	Philipp	Weber	GER	Left Back	15/09/1992	Schönebeck, GER	194	
3	Piotr	Chrapkowski	POL	Left Back	24/03/1988	Goreczno, POL	202	
42	Renars	Uscins	GER	Left Back	29/04/2002	Dessau, GER	189	
17	Tim	Hornke	GER	Right Wing	04/08/1990	Hannover, GER	189	
37	Tim	Kloor	GER	Right Wing	22/01/2002	Magdeburg, GER	186	

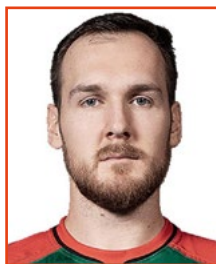


JANNICK GREEN

Goalkeeper

- Danish goalkeeper, set to join PSG in summer of 2022
- played CL with two different clubs: Aalborg and Bjerringbro, before arriving in Magdeburg in 2014
- undisputed No. 1 at Magdeburg since Dario Quenstedt moved to THW Kiel in 2019
- his mother was Danish international, his father coached him at Lemvig

EC trophies: EL 2021
OG: G 2016; EURO: S 2014, B 2022; WCh: G 2019, S 2013



CHRISTIAN O'SULLIVAN

 @christianosullivan24

Centre back

- team captain of Magdeburg and key player for Norwegian national team
- arrived from Swedish side IFK Kristianstad in 2016 at SCM, has meanwhile extended his contract until 2024
- his motto for handball is: "I want to make my teammates better"
- son of a British handball international, he was asked to become captain of the GB team for 2012 London Olympics but he did not want to change citizenship

EC trophies: EL 2021
EURO: B 2020; WCh: S 2017, 2019



MAGNUS SAUGSTRUP

Line player

- joined Magdeburg after impressive season with Aalborg, reaching CL final in 2020/21
- arrived at Aalborg at the age of 18 - and played more than 250 matches for the club
- was the X-factor for Denmark at the WCh 2021, scoring 29 goals, 17 of them in the knock-out stage; EHF EURO 2020 was his first major tournament

WCh: G 2021; OG: S 2021; EURO: B 2022



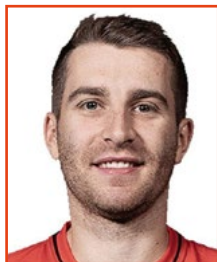
ÓMAR INGI MAGNÚSSON

 @omaringim

Right back

- Icelandic back, who joined Magdeburg in summer of 2020 after four years in Denmark, with Aarhus and Aalborg, respectively
- was top scorer of German Bundesliga and second-best EL scorer in 2020/21
- forms back-court duo with fellow Icelandic player Gisli Kristjánsson
- made national team debut for Iceland at age 18, was top scorer of EHF EURO 2022

EC trophies: EL 2021



LUKAS MERTENS

@lukasmertens22

Left wing

- regular in the German national since 2021, played his first major tournament at the EHF EURO 2022
- thanks to his high-speed counter attacks his nickname is “Speedy”
- started his career at his home club Wilhelmshaven, joined SCM in 2017
- silver medallist and All-star Team left wing at the U20 EHD EURO in Denmark in 2018
- studies sports science at the Magdeburg University

EC trophies: EL 2021



MICHAEL DAMGAARD

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Left back

- together with Omar Ingi Magnusson joint top scorer of SCM in the current EL season
- joined Magdeburg in 2015 from TTH Holstebro in his native Denmark
- started professional career at GOG before moving to Holstebro in 2010
- was Magdeburg’s best scorer in last EHF Cup 2019/20 season
- his older brother, Allan, is also a professional handball player, for Holstebro

EC trophies: EL 2021
OG: G 2016; WCh: G 2019



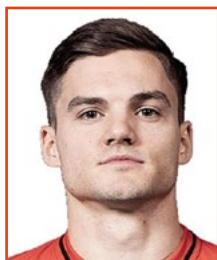
MARKO BEZJAK

@25bezo

Centre back

- Slovenian international who arrived in Magdeburg from Velenje in 2013
- won Slovenian league title three times and gained CL experience with Velenje
- shares playmaker position with captain Christian O’Sullivan and Gisli Kristjansson
- came back even stronger from along-term injury break after a shoulder surgery

EC trophies: EL 2021
WCh: B 2017



KAY SMITS

@kay_smits

Right back

- arrived at Magdeburg in 2020, after playing for Wilhelmshaven (GER) and Holstebro (DEN)
- at first was only on loan to replace injured Albin Lagergren in 2020, then became an integral SCM player
- was one of the Dutch stars and their top scorer at the EHF EURO 2022, by scoring 45 goals in only five games, before being ruled out by covid
- his sister Inger just won the EL with her club SG BBM Bietigheim and was World Champion in 2019, his father Gino is coach of the German U17 women’s team

EC trophies: EL 2021



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Player shirt: white
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Goalkeeper shirt: blue

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Player shirt: green
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Goalkeeper shirt: grey



Playing hall

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Capacity: 2,000

RK NEXE



ROAD TO THE EHF FINALS MEN

QUALIFICATION ROUND 1:

@ Grupa Azoty Unia Tarnów W23:28 (6:17)
vs Grupa Azoty Unia Tarnów W32:28 (16:12)

QUALIFICATION ROUND 2:

@ Bjerringbro-Silkeborg L33:27 (16:14)
vs Bjerringbro-Silkeborg W32:26 (15:11)

GROUP C:

@ PAUC Handball W29:30 (14:17)
vs IK Sävehof W39:31 (18:15)

@ RK Gorenje Velenje L34:28 (19:14)
vs BM Logroño La Rioja W31:30 (14:15)

vs RK Gorenje Velenje W31:23 (14:9)
@ SC Magdeburg L32:26 (19:14)

vs PAUC Handball W33:29 (17:12)
@ IK Sävehof L33:23 (16:12)

@ BM Logroño La Rioja L31:30 (14:15)
vs SC Magdeburg L24:28 (11:11)

LAST 16:

vs HC Eurofarm Pelister W29:26 (12:10)
@ HC Eurofarm Pelister W21:22 (11:11)

QUARTER-FINALS:

vs GOG W32:27 (16:14)
@ GOG D37:37 (22:20)

CURRENT TOP SCORERS*

1. Halil Jaganjac (CRO)	97
2. Fahrudin Melic (MNE)	70
3. Predrag Vejin (SRB)	49
4. Marin Jelinic (CRO)	48
5. Mario Tomic (CRO)	27

* starting from group phase only

FINAL RANKING GROUP C

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	P
1. SC Magdeburg	10	9	1	0	317:267	(50)	19
2. IK Sävehof	10	6	0	4	313:297	(16)	12
3. RK Nexe	10	5	0	5	295:300	(-5)	10
4. RK Gorenje Velenje	10	4	1	5	284:306	(-22)	9
5. BM Logroño La Rioja	10	3	1	6	307:317	(-10)	7
6. PAUC Handball	10	1	1	8	290:319	(-29)	3

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Last 16 (1): 2020/21

EHF Cup

Quarter-final (1): 2017/18

Last 16 (1): 2011/12

Group Phase (2): 2014/15, 2018/19

Round 3 (7): 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2013/14,

2015/16, 2016/17, 2019/20

Round 2 (1): 2012/13

Croatian league: -

Croatian Cup: -





BRANKO TAMŠE

Coach

- Slovenian coach who took over at Nexe in January 2021 from Hrvoje Horvat, who was appointed head coach of the Croatian men's national team
- previously worked with Velenje and Celje in his native Slovenia, as well as Zagreb in Croatia
- played as a right wing at Velenje but saw career come to an end after a serious knee injury
- started coaching career at Velenje and returned to Europe after a brief stint at Qatari side Al-Rayyan

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Fahrudin Melic (MNE)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Karlo Godec (CRO)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height	Weight
4	Aleksandar	Bakic	MNE	Left Wing	03/09/2000	Berane, MNE	194	88
21	Alen	Blažević	CRO	Left Back	29/03/1986	Našice, CRO	200	105
22	Andraž	Velkavrh	SLO	Centre Back	31/05/1996	Koper, SLO	190	95
20	Borna	Manci Micevic	CRO	Right Back	20/11/1997	Osijek, CRO	208	110
1	Dominik	Kuzmanovic	CRO	Goalkeeper	18/08/2002	Zagreb, CRO	191	88
77	Dorian	Markušić	CRO	Centre Back	17/03/1997	Zagreb, CRO	188	84
44	Edi	Vesligaj	CRO	Goalkeeper	30/06/1993	Našice, CRO	193	90
7	Fran	Mileta	CRO	Right Wing	14/08/2000	Rijeka, CRO	181	72
87	Gianfranco	Pribetic	CRO	Line Player	28/04/2000	Rijeka, CRO	195	96
45	Halil	Jaganjac	CRO	Left Back	22/06/1998	Rijeka, CRO	200	95
19	Ivan	Vida	CRO	Right Wing	14/03/1995	Zagreb, CRO	186	86
28	Janko	Kevic	CRO	Centre Back	21/04/1986	Zagreb, CRO	188	88
27	Luka	Moslavac	CRO	Left Back	08/03/1998	Virovitica, CRO	195	93
17	Marin	Greganic	CRO	Left Wing	18/07/2000	Našice, CRO	182	70
18	Marin	Jelinic	CRO	Left Wing	07/12/1996	Metkovic, CRO	194	93
33	Mario	Tomic	CRO	Line Player	22/06/1988	Zagreb, CRO	191	93
29	Mateo	Rodin	CRO	Right Back	21/07/1992	Metkovic, CRO	196	95
47	Miha	Kavcic	SLO	Line Player	19/06/1998	Ormož, SLO	190	89
16	Mihailo	Radovanovic	SRB	Goalkeeper	18/12/1992	Cacak, SRB	194	86
12	Moreno	Car	CRO	Goalkeeper	22/04/1996	Rijeka, CRO	184	79
10	Predrag	Vejin	SRB	Right Back	17/12/1992	Apatin, SRB	196	95
44	Fahrudin	Melic	MNE	Right Wing	22/07/1984	Prijepolje, MNE	183	90
C 9	Saša	Barišić Jaman	SLO	Left Back	10/11/1982	Brežice, SLO	200	93
23	Tomislav	Severec	CRO	Left Back	29/06/1997	Zagreb, CRO	191	95



MIHAILO RADOVANOVIC

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Goalkeeper

- Serbian goalkeeper, who started his handball career in his hometown club Cacak
- joined Nexe in 2018 and has formed a goalkeeper duo with Moreno Car since
- also played for Partizan, Bietigheim, Suhr Aarau and Ramat Hasharon
- had his first European season in 2008, playing Challenge Cup with Cacak
- was part of Serbia's youth and junior national teams



HALIL JAGANJAC

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Left back

- joined Nexe as a 20-year-old in 2018 after stints with Metalurg and PSG, where he played in the second team for a season
- Nexe's best scorer in the European League 2021/22 group phase, with 68 goals
- finished as the top scorer of the SEHA league in his breakthrough season with Metalurg in 2017/18
- first called up to Croatia's national team by Lino Cervar in 2017; was part of the EHF EURO 2018 squad



ANDRAŽ VELKAVRH

 @andrazvelkavrh

Centre back

- born in Koper, Slovenia, started playing handball aged 10
- played for Koper, Izola, Maribor and Azoty Puławy
- joined Nexe after a short period at Mors-Thy Handbold
- has a bachelor's degree in Economics



PREDRAG VEJIN

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Right back

- Serbian player who started playing handball at 12
- played football and basketball before deciding on handball
- joined Nexe from Orlen Wisla Plock
- also played for Metaloplastika, Ademar Leon, Dunkerque, Al Jazira, Metalurg, Železničar and Ramat Hasharon



MARIO TOMIC

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Line player

- started playing handball late, only at the age of 15
- used to be a goalkeeper when playing in Medvescak, switched to the line in Siscia, later played for Al Sadd and Lekhwija
- joined Nexe in 2017 and has a plan of retiring in Nasice as his current contract expires in 2026
- has dual citizenship, Croatian and Qatari, played for Qatar national team winning Asian Championship twice



FAHRUDIN MELIC

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Right wing

- experienced right wing, joined Nexe in November 2021
- started playing handball in Bosna Sarajevo, later played for Zrinski Mostar, Borac Banja Luka, Gorenje Velenje, PSG, Chambéry and Saint-Raphael
- used to play for Montenegro national team
- 2002/03 season was his first in European competitions
- has wide span of shots, one of the crucial players for Nexe



MARIN JELINIC

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Centre back

- Metkovic-born, started playing handball at the age of seven
- Nexe is only his third club in career, after Metkovic, he only played for Ribola Kastela
- 2017/18 season is his first European season
- has been part of all Croatia youth national teams, played for senior national team as well



SASA BARISIC JAMAN

 @barisicjaman

Right back

- one of the most experienced players in Nexe's squad, joining in 2015
- started playing handball at Dobova, also played for Koper, Karlovac, Varaždin, Linz and Leoben
- also wore Nexe's jersey from 2005 until 2012
- this is his 12th European season with 'Thunders'
- used to play for Slovenia national team

ORLEN WISLA PLOCK (POL) VS SL BENFICA (POR)



Semi-final: Saturday, 28 May at 18:30 CEST, (17:30 local time)

Referees: Péter Horváth, Balázs Marton (HUN)



- it is the first ever official match of both teams, but Plock eliminated Benfica's local rival Sporting in the 2020/21 Last 16 of the European League and Benfica was eliminated by Polish side Opole in the qualification for the 2017/18 EHF Cup season
- Plock had qualified for the premiere of the EHF Finals in Mannheim in 2021 already, finishing fourth, while it is the debut for Benfica - they are the second Portuguese team at the EHF Finals after FC Porto in 2019, Benfica's major international successes were two semi-final appearances in the EHF Challenge Cup in the 2007/08 and 2014/15 season
- Wisla have only lost one European League match since the start of the group phase (against Berlin) and have won 12 matches and tied once, eliminating Kadetten Schaffhausen in the quarter-finals
- Benfica sensationally beat last year's EHF Finals host Rhein-Neckar Löwen in qualification, followed by nine victories, 2 draws and three defeats since the start of the group phase, they eliminated Velenje in the quarter-finals
- both heads coaches are Spaniards and parallel coach national teams: Chema Rodriguez (Benfica) steers Hungary, Xavier Sabate (Plock) is coach of the Czech team
- Chema was among Sabate's players when he was the head coach of Veszprém in 2016
- current top scorers of both sides are Petar Nenadic (Benfica/90) and Mark Sergey Kosorotov (Plock/63)
- Plock's playmaker Niko Mindegia has been ruled out from the tournament because of an injury
- in the Polish league, Plock lost the final match against Kielce on Tuesday in the penalty-shootout and finished second in the league, while Benfica ranked behind Porto after losing the top match of the Portuguese league at Porto 28:32

PREVIOUS EC ENCOUNTERS

Orlen Wisla Plock vs SL Benfica 0-0-0

No previous encounters in European club competitions



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Dark

Player shirt: blue
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GK shirt: red



Playing hall

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Poland
Capacity: 5,467

ORLEN WISLA PŁOCK



ROAD TO THE EHF FINALS MEN

QUALIFICATION ROUND 2:

vs HC Dobrogea Sud Constanta W25:14 (7:6)
@ HC Dobrogea Sud Constanta L26:20 (14:9)

GROUP A:

@ Pfadi Winterthur W23:35 (11:18)
vs Fenix Toulouse Handball W33:29 (19:17)
vs Fühse Berlin L24:28 (14:15)
@ Fenix Toulouse Handball W24:30 (13:13)
@ Bidasoa Irun W28:29 (11:16)
vs Bidasoa Irun W33:26 (19:14)
vs Pfadi Winterthur W35:27 (16:9)
@ Tatran Presov W15:29 (8:13)
vs Tatran Presov W33:29 (15:16)
@ Fühse Berlin W29:30 (15:16)

LAST 16:

@ TBV Lemgo Lippe W28:31 (15:13)
vs TBV Lemgo Lippe D28:28 (12:13)

QUARTER-FINALS

@ Kadetten Schaffhausen W31:33 (18:19)
vs Kadetten Schaffhausen W35:22 (17:11)

CURRENT TOP SCORERS*

1. Sergei Mark Kosorotov (RUS)	63
2. Michal Daszek (POL)	58
3. Lovro Mihic (CRO)	54
4. Abel Serdio (ESP)	44
5. Dmitry Zhitnikov (RUS)	44

* starting from the group phase only

FINAL RANKING GROUP A

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	P
1. Orlen Wisła Płock	10	9	0	1	311:258	(53)	18
2. Fühse Berlin	10	8	0	2	314:269	(45)	16
3. Fenix Toulouse Handball	10	6	1	3	292:265	(27)	13
4. Bidasoa Irun	10	3	1	6	286:286	(0)	7
5. Tatran Presov	10	2	0	8	240:308	(-68)	4
6. Pfadi Winterthur	10	1	0	9	271:338	(-67)	2

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF Champions League

Last 16 (5): 2011/12, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2018/19

Group Phase (3): 2016/17, 2017/18, 2019/20

Group Matches (5): 2002/03, 2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07,
2008/09

Qualification (1): 2012/13

EHF European League

Fourth place: 2020/21

EHF Cup

Quarter-final: 1993/94

EHF Cup Winners' Cup

Quarter-final: 1996/97

Polish league

7 titles (1995, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2011)

Polish cup

9 titles (1992, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2005, 2007,
2008)





XAVIER SABATE

Coach

- Płock head coach since July 2018, taking over a few months after Piotr Przybecki had left the club
- experienced coach who worked at Veszprém from 2015-17
- led the Hungarian team to the CL 2016 final, where they lost to Kielce in a penalty shoot-out
- was voted coach of the CL 2015/16 All-star Team
- great eye for detail, engaging in all aspects of coaching including tactical analysis and team building

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Uros Mitrovic (SRB)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON



TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height	Weight
17	Abel	Serdio	ESP	Line Player	16/04/1994	Avilés, ESP	195	115
1	Adam	Morawski	POL	Goalkeeper	17/10/1994	Ciechanów, POL	193	94
16	Admir	Ahmetasevic	BIH	Goalkeeper	05/06/1994	Gracanica, BIH	195	98
14	David	Fernández	ESP	Right Back	14/04/1996	Valladolid, ESP	196	90
89	Dmitry	Zhitnikov	RUS	Centre Back	20/11/1989	Zvolen, RUS	197	100
23	Dominik	Mierzwicki	POL	Right Wing	08/07/1999	Plock, POL	182	78
9	Jan	Jurecic	SLO	Right Wing	26/10/1994	Novo mesto, SLO	186	80
20	Krystian	Witkowski	POL	Goalkeeper	01/12/1999	Mielec, POL	200	103
25	Krzysztof	Komarzewski	POL	Right Wing	18/09/1998	Gdansk, POL	188	86
19	Leon	Šušnja	CRO	Line Player	05/08/1993	Siroki Brijeg, CRO	204	113
34	Lovro	Mihic	CRO	Left Wing	25/08/1994	Zagreb, CRO	180	74
5	Marek	Dacko	POL	Line Player	29/03/1991	Bartoszyce, POL	198	104
C 3	Michał	Daszek	POL	Right Back	27/06/1992	Tczew, POL	180	70
44	Mikolaj	Czaplinski	POL	Left Wing	08/11/2000	Plock, POL	188	82
30	Mirsad	Terzic	BIH	Left Back	12/07/1983	Priboj, CRO	196	110
55	Niko	Mindegia	ESP	Centre Back	19/07/1988	Santesteban, ESP	182	85
8	Oliwier	Kaminski	POL	Right Back	24/04/2004	Plock, POL	190	76
26	Przemyslaw	Krajewski	POL	Left Wing	20/01/1987	Ciechanów, POL	184	83
99	Sergei Mark	Kosorotov	RUS	Left Back	16/06/1999	Moscow, RUS	200	95
22	Szymon	Rybicki	POL	Goalkeeper	19/11/1997	Plock, POL	184	77
6	Tin	Lucin	CRO	Left Back	16/08/1999	Rijeka, CRO	196	94
21	Zoltan	Szita	HUN	Left Back	10/02/1998	Veszprém, HUN	197	89
13	Uros	Mitrovic	SRB	Right Back	13/09/2004	Nowy Sad, SRB	199	96




SERGEI MARK KOSOROTOV

Left back

- joined Wisła Płock in the summer of 2021 from Chekhovskie Medvedi
- one of the biggest talents of Russian handball, already a regular in national team
- wears number 99 because 1999 is his year of birth
- has two first names, rather unusual in Russia, but is usually called just Sergei
- his father was a famous judoka, while his mother played handball at Luch Moscow



DMITRY ZHITNIKOV

 @zhita89

Centre back

- Russian international, joined Wisła Płock in 2021
- in his second stint with the Polish club, previously played there 2015-2017
- started handball in Krasnodar, where his first coach was his father, at the local school
- a talented young player, invited to Chekhov at age 16; played five seasons in the reserve team before his breakthrough

EC trophies: EHF Cup 2014
EURO: S 2016, B 2014



ADAM MORAWSKI

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Goalkeeper

- Polish international who started to play at senior level in 2013/14
- debuted in the national team in 2013 and in the CL two years later
- excelled for Płock in 2016/17, earning him a nomination for the best goalkeeper of the season award in the Polish league
- his nickname 'Loczek' means 'Curl'



MICHAŁ DASZEK

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Right wing

- arrived at Płock from MMTS Kwidzyn in 2014, a year after he had made his debut in the Polish national team
- Płock's best scorer in the European League 2021/22 group phase, with 42 goals
- was best wing and MVP of the Polish league in 2018/19
- won bronze with Poland at WCh 2015 and played at Olympics the following year

WCh: B 2015



ABEL SERDIO

@abelserdio

line player

- Spanish international, started his career at Gijón
- came to Wisła Płock in 2020 on a loan from Barcelona
- also played for Valladolid
- 1994-born line player had his national team debut in 2018
- his European breakthrough was in 2019/20 with Barça in the EHF Champions League



DAVID FERNANDEZ

@davidfdez_8

Right back

- born and raised in Valladolid where he started his handball path
- also played for Nava and Ademar Leon before joining Płock in 2020
- Spanish international, had his national team debut in 2019
- had some challenging times, but finally showed his skills in 2021/22 season
- his first European season was 2016/17 with Ademar Leon



LOVRO MIHIC

Left wing

- started handball at a young age, spent his youth in PPD Zagreb
- Wisła Płock is only his second club in career, coming from Zagreb in 2016
- got invited to Croatia national team in 2015, later participated at the 2017 WCh
- his wife Tarra was also a handball player



TIN LUCIN

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Left back

- Rijeka-born, started his career at Kozala
- also played for Zamet and PPD Zagreb in Croatia, later for Ademar Leon before joining Wisła Płock in 2021
- was part of youth national team and plays for Croatia national team
- his younger brother Fran is a handball goalkeeper




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Kit colours

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Player shirt: red
Player short: white
GK shirt: yellow

Dark

Player shirt: white
Player short: black
GK shirt: dark grey



Playing hall

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Av. General Norton Matos
1500-313 Lisboa
Portugal
Capacity: 1,540

SL BENFICA



ROAD TO THE EHF FINALS MEN

QUALIFICATION ROUND 1:

@ HC Kriens-Luzern W24:31 (13:17)
vs HC Kriens-Luzern W29:18 (14:8)

QUALIFICATION ROUND 2:

@ Rhein-Neckar Löwen D31:31 (15:16)
vs Rhein-Neckar Löwen W33:28 (18:13)

GROUP B:

@ TBV Lemgo Lippe W29:30 (16:14)
vs Chekhovskie medvedi W38:35 (21:15)
@ Cocks W32:37 (18:15)
vs GOG L25:33 (10:17)
vs Cock W37:23 (17:12)
@ HBC Nantes D33:33 (16:17)
vs TBV Lemgo Lippe W35:30 (15:15)
@ Chekhovskie medvedi W27:32 (15:17)
@ GOG L39:38 (20:18)
vs HBC Nantes W31:30 (15:16)

LAST 16:

@ Fenix Toulouse Handball L38:34 (17:20)
vs Fenix Toulouse Handball W36:30 (17:15)

QUARTER-FINALS

vs RK Gorenje Velenje W36:29 (16:18)
vs RK Gorenje Velenje D27:27 (11:15)

CURRENT TOP SCORERS*

1. Petar Djordjic (SRB)	90
2. Ole Rahmel (GER)	72
3. Lazar Kukic (SRB)	60
4. Rogerio Moraes (BRA)	44
5. Jonas Källman (SWE)	42

* starting from the group phase only

FINAL RANKING GROUP B

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	P
1. GOG	10	7	1	2	340:297	(43)	15
2. SL Benfica	10	7	1	2	336:311	(25)	15
3. HBC Nantes	10	5	3	2	304:266	(38)	13
4. TBV Lemgo Lippe	10	5	2	3	319:312	(7)	12
5. Cocks	10	1	1	8	257:311	(-74)	3
6. Chekhovskie medvedi	10	1	0	9	239:278	(-39)	2

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF Champions League

Qualification (1): 2008/09

EHF Cup

Group phase (2): 2016/17, 2019/20*

Cup Winners' Cup

Quarter-finals (1): 2011/2

Challenge Cup

Runners-up (2): 2010/11, 2015/16

Semi-finals (2): 2007/08, 2014/15

Portuguese league

7 titles (1961/62, 1974/75, 1981/82, 1982/83, 1988/89, 1989/90, 2007/08)

Portuguese cup

6 titles (1984/85, 1985/86, 1986/87, 2010/11, 2015/16, 2017/18)

Portuguese super cup

6 titles (1989, 1993, 2010, 2012, 2016)

*The season was cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic





CHEMA RODRIGUEZ

Coach

- has transformed Benfica's way of playing since arriving as head coach prior to the 2020/21 season
- was assistant coach for Hungary's men's national team before moving to Lisbon
- as a player, he won two CL titles and one WCh title

EC trophies: CL 2008, 2009
WCh: G 2005 (as a player)

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON



TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height	Weight
77	Afonso	Marques	POR	Centre Back	21/04/2003	Lisboa, POR	186	80
22	Alexis	Borges	POR	Line Player	06/10/1991	Cuba, CUB	197	116
9	Arnau	Garcia	ESP	Left Back	12/06/1994	Granollers, ESP	197	95
11	Belone	Moreira	POR	Centre Back	01/06/1990	Lisboa, POR	180	78
19	Carlos	Martins	POR	Right Wing	14/06/1994	MoimentadaBeira, POR	176	76
30	Demis Cosmin	Grigoras	ROU	Right Back	30/06/1993	Vaslui, ROU	195	97
18	Diogo	Campos	POR	Left Wing	07/07/2004	Leiria, POR	181	80
39	Duarte	Pereira	POR	Right Wing	06/06/2003	Corroios, POR	176	70
50	Francisco	Pereira	POR	Centre Back	26/03/1999	Lamego, POR	190	93
27	Gabriel	Sequeira	POR		12/07/2006	Leiria, POR	180	70
57	Goncalo	Antunes	POR		18/10/2003	Corroios, POR	176	70
17	Guilherme	Silva	POR	Right Back	27/04/2005	Leiria, POR	181	74
41	Gustavo	Capdeville	POR	Goalkeeper	31/08/1997	Lisboa, POR	190	88
53	Joao	Bandeira	POR	Left Back	15/06/2006	Lisbon, POR	190	78
8	Jonas	Källman	SWE	Left Wing	17/07/1981	Växjö, SWE	200	93
90	Jorge	Pereira	POR	07/02/1995	Lamego, POR	186	90	
34	Jose Luciano	Costa	BRA	Left Back	19/02/2002	Acre, BRA	198	103
24	Lazar	Kukic	SRB	Centre Back	12/12/1995	Beograd, SRB	188	90
15	Lucas	Ribeiro	POR	Line Player	22/01/2002	MarinhaGrande, POR	194	92
7	Mahamadou	Keita	FRA	Left Wing	18/07/1995	Paris, FRA	190	90
23	Ole	Rahmel	GER	Right Wing	19/11/1989	Achim, GER	190	92
C 13	Paulo	Moreno	CPV	Line Player	08/05/1992	Lisboa, POR	194	110
12	Pedro	Tonicher	POR	Goalkeeper	16/01/2003	Lisboa, POR	190	87
44	Petar	Djordjic	SRB	Left Back	17/09/1990	Sabac, SRB	196	96
16	Rodrigo	Ferreira	POR	Goalkeeper	17/04/2002	Lisboa, POR	190	90
31	Rogério	Moraes	BRA	Line Player	11/01/1994	Abaetetuba, BRA	204	122
25	Sergey	Hernandez	ESP	Goalkeeper	17/06/1995	Kropotkin, RUS	197	95
33	Tadej	Kljun	SLO	Right Back	18/04/2001	Postojna, SLO	196	86



JONAS KÄLLMAN

 @jonas_kallman

Left wing

- experienced Swedish international, among the tallest wing players in Europe
- joined Benfica in summer of 2021 after seven years with Pick Szeged
- spent more than a decade in Spain with Ciudad Real and Atlético Madrid before returning home (IFK Skövde) and signing with Szeged

EC trophies: CL 2006, 2008, 2009, EHF Cup 2014
OG: S 2012



ALEXIS BORGES

 @alexisborges22

Line player

- played for FC Porto, Barça and Montpellier
- won several titles in Portugal and Spain
- one of the most important players for Benfica in both attack and defence
- with his great mentality, he adds quality and a lot of experience to the team



PETAR DJORDJIC

 @djordjic17

Left back

- son of Zoran Djordjic, who represented Yugoslavia in five major tournaments
- known for his impulsive play and shooting power, he is a vital player for Benfica
- previously played in Germany for Wetzlar, Flensburg and Hamburg
- won the Belarusian championship with Meshkov Brest

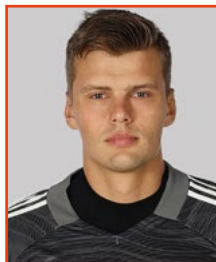


OLE RAHMEL

 @rahmelole

Right wing

- German international who played for THW Kiel for three seasons before joining Benfica in 2020/21
- Benfica's best scorer in the European League 2021/22 group phase, with 60 goals
- began his professional handball career in Germany with VfL Gummersbach
- a true expert from the seven-metre line and renowned for his technical ability



SERGEY HERNANDEZ FERRER

@sergeyhf25

Goalkeeper

- Russian-born goalkeeper with Spanish citizenship; became one of the best shot-stoppers in the Spanish domestic league after his debut in 2015
- joined Benfica in 2020, after plying his trade in the Spanish league, at Anaitasuna and Logrono
- speaks Russian, Spanish, English and Danish
- also featured in commercials as a model, including in shampoo advertisements, but focuses on handball

EURO: S 2022, WCh: B 2021



LAZAR KUKIC

@lazar_kukic

Centre back

- started his career in Serbia, at RK Partizan, but moved to Spain in 2017, at Logrono, before signing for Benfica in 2020
- his major tournament debut was WCh 2019, he also played at EHF EURO 2020 and at the EHF EURO 2022
- has started handball when he was seven years old, helped by his father, who had a big handball passion
- voted player of the season at La Rioja and nominated as the best ASOBAL League playmaker in 2017/18



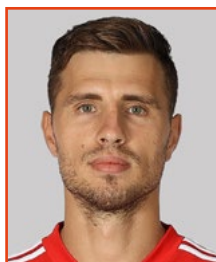
ROGERIO FERREIRO MORAES

@rogeriomoraes11

Left back

- stated that he would have followed a life of a criminal without playing handball, with the sport saving him
- became the first Brazilian player to win the EHF Champions League Men with Vardar, securing the trophy in 2017 and 2019
- a superb defender, Moraes has played for Kiel, Vardar and Veszprém, three of the powerhouses in European handball
- named the best line player at the South and Central America Championship in 2022

EC trophies: CL 2017, 2019



DEMIS COSMAS GRIGORAS

@demisgrigoras

Right back

- started handball in Romania, but moved to Hungarian side Tatabanya in 2016, before signing for French side Chambéry SMB HB and for Benfica in 2021
- became the leading goal scorer at the World University Handball Championship in 2016, scoring 53 goals in five games
- speaks Romanian, Hungarian, English and Portuguese, after spending time in different championships
- nicknamed, “Demis the Menace” by the Romanian media, a pun on his first name

I IMPORTANT REGULATIONS

WHAT DECIDES WHEN TWO OR MORE TEAMS HAVE THE SAME NUMBER OF POINTS?

All matches of the EHF Finals Men shall be played in 2 x 30 minutes.

If a semi-final match or the Final ends in a draw, there will be a five minutes break followed by one extra time of 2 x 5 minutes, there will be a one minute half time break at half time for the changeover of teams.

If the 3/4 placement match ends in a draw, there shall be no extra time, the match will be decided directly by penalty throws.

If penalty throws are needed to decide the match, the procedure is as follows:

- Only players (incl. goalkeepers) who are listed on the match report and are not suspended or disqualified at the end of the playing time are entitled to participate at the penalty throws.

- At the technical meeting the teams will be informed at which goal the penalty throws will be taken. The team taking the first penalty throw shall be determined by the referees by drawing lots. The team winning the draw may choose whether it wishes to throw first or last.

- Prior to the penalty throws, each team shall name five by handing the referees a list of numbers. These players shall then take one throw each until a decision (a winner) is reached, alternating with their opponents. Each team is free to determine the sequence in which throwers will take their throws.

- The goalkeepers may be freely selected from the match report and exchanged in accordance with the rules of the game. Goalkeepers may take throws and throwers may perform as goalkeepers.

- If the scores are equal after the first round of penalty

throws, it shall be continued until a decision is reached. In the second round, the other team shall start. Again, five players shall be named who are eligible to play (the players named before may be named once again).

- In the second round, a decision is reached when a goal difference arises after both teams have taken one throw each.

- Serious infractions committed during penalty throws shall be sanctioned by disqualification. If a thrower is disqualified or suffers an injury, an eligible substitute player shall be supplementary named.

- While the throws are being taken, only the player taking the throw, the current goalkeeper and the referees may enter the respective half of the playing court.

- If the number of eligible players falls below five, players may be named to take a second throw in the same round.

I SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE

16:30 CEST/15:30 hrs local time

3/4 Place match: Loser Semi-final 1 vs Loser Semi-final 2

Referees: Dimitar Mitrevski, Blagojche Todorovski (MKD)

19:00 CEST/18:00 hrs local time

Final: Winner Semi-final 1 vs Winner Semi-final 2

Referees: Arthur Brunner / Morad Salah (SUI)

I POTENTIAL HEAD-TO-HEADS

RK Nexe vs Orlen Wisla Plock

No previous encounters in European competitions

RK Nexe vs SL Benfica 1-0-1 (54:54) 2:2

16.11.2019 RK Nexe vs SL Benfica, EHF Cup – Qualification Round 3

30:26 (18:12)

23.11.2019 SL Benfica vs RK Nexe, EHF Cup – Qualification Round 3

28:24 (12:10)

SC Magdeburg vs Orlen Wisla Plock 3-0-0 (101:90) 6:0

16.11.2002 Sportclub Magdeburg vs Wisla Plock SSA, EHF Champions League – Group A 40:32 (17:11)

30.11.2002 Wisla Plock SSA vs Sportclub Magdeburg, EHF Champions League – Group A 29:31 (16:12)

22.05.2021 SC Magdeburg vs Orlen Wisla Plock, EHF European League – EHF Finals – Semi-final 30:29 (13:15)

SC Magdeburg vs SL Benfica

No previous encounters in European competitions

TOP SCORERS 2021/22



99 goals

Mohamed Hisham Sanad
USAM Nimes Gard

	Player	Club	Goals
1	Mohamed Sanad (EGY)	USAM Nimes Gard	99
2	Halil Jaganjac (CRO)	RK Nexe	97
3	Jerry Tollbring (SWE)	GOG	94
4	Petar Djordjic (SRB)	SL Benfica	90
5	Bjarki Mar Elisson (ISL)	TBV Lemgo Lippe	89
6	Samuel Zehnder (SUI)	Kadetten Schaffhausen	82
7	Simon Pytllick (DEN)	GOG	75
8	Ole Rahmel (GER)	SL Benfica	72
9	Fahrudin Melic (MNE)	RK Nexe	70
	Elias Ellefsen á Skipagøtu (FAR)	IK Sävehof	70
11	Valero Rivera (ESP)	HBC Nantes	69
12	Agustín Casado (ESP)	BM Logroño La Rioja	66
	Emil Madsen (DEN)	GOG	66
13	Stipe Mandalinic (CRO)	HC Eurofarm Pelister	64
14	Sergei Mark Kosorotov (RUS)	Orlen Wisla Plock	63
15	Rune Schrøder (DEN)	IK Sävehof	60
	Sebastian Karlsson (SWE)	IK Sävehof	60
	Lazar Kukic (SRB)	SL Benfica	60

* starting from the group phase only

I ALL-TIME EHF FINALS MEN STATISTICS

Topscorers (10 goals and more) Games Played, Goals

Jerry Tollbring (Rhein-Neckar Löwen)	2	18
Przemyslaw Krajewski (Orlen Wisla Plock)	2	13
Ómar Ingi Magnusson (SC Magdeburg)	2	13
Zoltan Szita (Orlen Wisla Plock)	2	13
Lasse Bredekjaer Andersson (Füchse Berlin)	2	12
Hans Lindberg (Füchse Berlin)	2	11
Michael Damgaard Nielsen (SC Magdeburg)	2	10

Most goals in one game:

Lasse Bredekjaer Andersson	11	22.05.2021	Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin	32:35
Jerry Tollbring	11	23.05.2021	Orlen Wisla Plock-Rhein-Neckar Löwen	27:32
Hans Lindberg	8	23.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin	28:25
Przemyslaw Krajewski	7	22.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Orlen Wisla Plock	30:29
Zoltan Szita	7	22.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Orlen Wisla Plock	30:29
Jerry Tollbring	7	22.05.2021	Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin	32:35
Tim Hornke	7	23.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin	28:25
Ómar Ingi Magnusson	7	23.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin	28:25

Most goals in one match:

35	Füchse Berlin	22.05.2021	Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin	32:35
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Most goals in one match both teams:

67		22.05.2021	Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin	32:35
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Least goals in one match:

25 Füchse Berlin 23.05.2021 SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin 28:25

Least goals in one match:

53 23.05.2021 SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin 28:25

Biggest win:

+5 Rhein-Neckar Löwen 23.05.2021 Orlen Wisla Plock-Rhein-Neckar Löwen 27:32

Most goals at half-time:

19 Füchse Berlin 22.05.2021 Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin (16:19)

Most goals at half-time both teams:

35 22.05.2021 Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin (16:19)

Least goals at half-time:

8 Füchse Berlin 23.05.2021 SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin (15:8)

Least goals at half-time both teams:

23 23.05.2021 SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin (15:8)

Biggest gap at half-time:

+7 SC Magdeburg 23.05.2021 SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin (15:8)

Most penalty minutes:

14' Orlen Wisla Plock 22.05.2021 SC Magdeburg-Orlen Wisla Plock 30:29

Most penalty minutes both teams:

22' 22.05.2021 SC Magdeburg-Orlen Wisla Plock 30:29

22' 22.05.2021 Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin 32:35



Least penalty minutes:

6'	Orlen Wisla Plock	23.05.2021	Orlen Wisla Plock-Rhein-Neckar Löwen	27:32
6'	Rhein-Neckar Löwen	23.05.2021	Orlen Wisla Plock-Rhein-Neckar Löwen	27:32
6'	Füchse Berlin	23.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin	28:25

Least penalty minutes both teams:

12'		23.05.2021	Orlen Wisla Plock-Rhein-Neckar Löwen	27:32
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Most 7m throws:

5	Rhein-Neckar Löwen	23.05.2021	Orlen Wisla Plock-Rhein-Neckar Löwen	27:32
5	Füchse Berlin	23.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin	28:25

Most 7m throws both teams:

8		23.05.2021	Orlen Wisla Plock-Rhein-Neckar Löwen	27:32
8		23.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin	28:25

Least 7m throws:

2	Füchse Berlin	22.05.2021	Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin	32:35
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Least 7m throws both teams:

5		22.05.2021	Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin	32:35
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Most 7m throws scored:

5	Füchse Berlin	23.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin	28:25
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Most 7m throws scored both teams:

7		23.05.2021	SC Magdeburg-Füchse Berlin	28:25
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Least 7m throws scored:

2 on five occasions

Least 7m throws scored both teams:

4		22.05.2021	Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin	32:35
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Disqualifications:

Ýmir Gíslason (Rhein-Neckar Löwen)	22.05.2021	Rhein-Neckar Löwen-Füchse Berlin	32:35
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I ALL-TIME CLUB STANDINGS 2020-2022

TR	Name of the club	MP	W	D	L	GF:FA	GD	P	NP	%
1	SC Magdeburg GER	30	27	2	1	959:775	+184	56:4	(2)	93,33%
2	Orlen Wisla Plock POL	30	22	1	7	903:780	+123	45:15	(2)	75,00%
3	Füchse Berlin GER	28	18	2	8	780:692	+88	38:18	(2)	67,86%
4	GOG DEN	28	18	2	8	897:849	+48	38:18	(2)	67,86%
5	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI	26	11	6	9	708:715	-7	28:24	(2)	53,85%
6	RK Nexe CRO	26	13	2	11	736:749	-13	28:24	(2)	53,85%
7	USAM Nimes Gard FRA	24	11	5	8	675:650	+25	27:21	(2)	56,25%
8	Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	16	11	2	3	483:430	+53	24:8	(1)	75,00%
9	Sporting CP POR	24	11	2	11	651:639	+12	24:24	(2)	50,00%
10	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD	24	10	3	11	610:603	+7	23:25	(2)	47,92%
11	Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA	22	9	3	10	587:585	+2	21:23	(2)	47,73%
12	Chekhovskie medvedi RUS	24	10	1	13	654:660	-6	21:27	(2)	43,75%
13	SL Benfica POR	14	9	2	3	469:435	+34	20:8	(1)	71,43%
14	HBC Nantes FRA	14	7	3	4	415:378	+37	17:11	(1)	60,71%
15	Montpellier HB FRA	14	8	1	5	345:309	+36	17:11	(1)	60,71%
16	IFK Kristianstad SWE	14	7	1	6	400:407	-7	15:13	(1)	53,57%
17	HC CSKA RUS	12	7	0	5	324:287	+37	14:10	(1)	58,33%
18	IK Sävehof SWE	12	7	0	5	373:357	+16	14:10	(1)	58,33%
19	Abanca Ademar Leon ESP	12	5	4	3	365:364	+1	14:10	(1)	58,33%
20	TBV Lemgo Lippe GER	12	5	3	4	375:371	+4	13:11	(1)	54,17%

I ALL-TIME EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE MEN STATISTICS

EHF European League Men biggest wins Top 10:

24	Montpellier HB FRA vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR 40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
19	SC Magdeburg GER vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR 41:22 (21:11), 09.02.2021
19	Orlen Wisla Plock POL @ HC Metalurg MKD 19:38 (9:16), 14.02.2021
18	SC Magdeburg GER @ Besiktas Aygaz TUR 23:41 (8:20), 20.10.2020
16	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN 46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
15	Orlen Wisla Plock POL vs HC Metalurg MKD 35:20 (16:10), 16.02.2021
15	Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD 45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
15	SC Magdeburg GER vs Alingsas HK SWE 36:21 (18:15), 23.02.2021
14	Sporting CP POR @ Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN 23:37 (13:18), 26.10.2021
14	Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA vs TATRAN Presov SVK 34:20 (18:9), 30.11.2021
14	SL Benfica POR vs Cocks FIN 37:23 (17:12), 30.11.2021
14	Bidasoa Irun ESP @ Pfadi Winterthur SUI 23:37 (12:17), 14.12.2021
14	Orlen Wisla Plock POL @ TATRAN Presov SVK 15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022

EHF European League Men biggest lead at half-time Top 10:

16	Montpellier HB FRA vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR 40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
12	SC Magdeburg GER @ Besiktas Aygaz TUR 23:41 (8:20), 20.10.2020
12	HC CSKA RUS vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR 32:24 (21:9), 01.12.2020
11	Chekhovskie medvedi RUS vs HC Metalurg MKD 40:27 (22:11), 06.02.2021
11	HC CSKA RUS @ Alingsas HK SWE 23:31 (5:16), 16.02.2021
11	SC Magdeburg GER vs IFK Kristianstad SWE 39:31 (23:12), 20.04.2021
11	Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER vs Chekhovskie medvedi RUS 37:27 (19:8), 20.04.2021
10	SC Magdeburg GER vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR 41:22 (21:11), 09.02.2021
10	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN 46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
10	Chekhovskie medvedi RUS @ Cocks FIN 27:33 (10:20), 07.12.2021

EHF European League Men most goals Top 10:

46	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN 46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
45	Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD 45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
43	IK Sävehof SWE vs BM Logroño 43:31 (23:16), 19.10.2021
41	SC Magdeburg GER @ Besiktas Aygaz TUR 23:41 (8:20), 20.10.2020
41	Abanca Ademar Leon ESP vs HC Metalurg MKD 41:32 (20:13), 17.11.2020
41	SC Magdeburg GER vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR 41:22 (21:11), 09.02.2021
40	Montpellier HB FRA vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR 40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
40	Chekhovskie medvedi RUS vs HC Metalurg MKD 40:27 (22:11), 06.02.2021
40	HBC Nantes FRA @ Cocks FIN 28:40 (14:18), 19.10.2021
39	SC Magdeburg GER vs IFK Kristianstad SWE 39:31 (23:12), 20.04.2021
39	GOG DEN @ Chekhovskie medvedi RUS 32:39 (15:22), 19.10.2021
39	RK Nexe CRO vs IK Sävehof SWE 39:31 (18:15), 26.10.2021
39	TBV Lemgo Lippe GER vs Cocks FIN 39:30 (18:14), 23.11.2021
39	SC Magdeburg GER @ PAUC Handball FRA 28:39 (13:20), 22.02.2022
39	GOG DEN vs SL Benfica POR 39:38 (20:18), 01.03.2022
39	TBV Lemgo Lippe GER vs GOG DEN 39:35 (19:17), 08.03.2022

EHF European League Men most goals both teams Top 10:

77	GOG DEN vs SL Benfica POR 39:38 (20:18), 01.03.2022
76	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN 46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
75	Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD 45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
74	IK Sävehof SWE vs BM Logroño 43:31 (23:16), 19.10.2021
74	TBV Lemgo Lippe GER vs HBC Nantes FRA 37:37 (17:20), 22.02.2022
74	TBV Lemgo Lippe GER vs GOG DEN 39:35 (19:17), 08.03.2022
74	GOG DEN vs RK Nexxe CRO 37:37 (22:20), 03.05.2022
73	Abanca Ademar Leon ESP vs HC Metalurg MKD 41:32 (20:13), 17.11.2020
73	SL Benfica POR vs Chekhovskie medvedi RUS 38:35 (21:15), 26.10.2021
72	Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA vs SL Benfica POR 38:34 (17:20), 29.03.2022

EHF European League Men fewest goals Top 10:

15	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL 15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022
16	Besiktas Aygaz TUR @ Montpellier HB FRA 40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
18	RK Nexxe CRO @ HC CSKA RUS 29:18 (15:8), 24.11.2020
19	Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN @ HC Eurofarm Pelister 21:19 (11:10), 10.02.2021
19	HC Metalurg MKD vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL 19:38 (9:16), 14.02.2021
19	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA 19:31 (12:16), 07.12.2021
19	AEK Athens HC GRE @ HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD 30:19 (10:8), 08.03.2022
20	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD @ Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER 28:20 (14:11), 24.11.2020
20	TATRAN Presov SVK @ USAM Nimes Gard FRA 25:20 (12:11), 09.02.2021
20	HC Metalurg MKD @ Orlen Wisla Plock POL 35:20 (16:10), 16.02.2021
20	Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN @ HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD 33:20 (17:9), 23.11.2021
20	TATRAN Presov SVK @ Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA 34:20 (18:9), 30.11.2021

EHF European League Men fewest goals both teams Top 10:

40	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN 21:19 (11:10), 10.02.2021
43	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs RK Nexxe CRO 21:22 (11:11), 05.04.2022
44	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL 15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022
45	RK Nexxe CRO vs Montpellier HB FRA 22:23 (8:10), 17.11.2020
45	USAM Nimes Gard FRA vs TATRAN Presov SVK 25:20 (12:11), 09.02.2021
45	Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN vs HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD 21:24 (11:9), 11.02.2021
45	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Sporting CPO POR 24:21 (12:13), 16.02.2021
45	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs RK Trimo Trebnje SLO 24:21 (10:12), 16.02.2021
46	USAM Nimes Gard FRA vs Füchse Berlin GER 22:24 (13:12), 24.02.2021
46	USAM Nimes Gard FRA vs Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN 24:22 (11:9), 30.11.2021
46	Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN vs HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD 25:21 (11:11), 01.03.2022

EHF European League Men biggest deficit overcome after losing first half to win a game:

- 4 Chekhovskie medvedi RUS vs Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER 33:32 (15:19), 13.04.2021
- 4 Pfadi Winterthur SUI @ TATRAN Presov SVK 29:33 (16:12), 16.11.2021
- 3 Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI @ Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN 30:32 (18:15), 23.02.2021
- 3 Abanca Ademar Leon ESP @ Chekhovskie medvedi RUS 34:35 (20:17), 27.02.2021
- 3 Alingsås HK SWE vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR 30:29 (14:17), 02.03.2021
- 3 Sporting CP POR vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI 29:28 (9:12), 19.10.2021
- 3 SL Benfica POR @ Cocks FIN 32:37 (18:15), 16.11.2021
- 3 RK Gorenje Velenje SLO @ IK Sävehof SWE 27:28 (14:11), 08.03.2022
- 3 Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA vs SL Benfica POR 38:34 (17:20), 29.03.2022

EHF European League Men biggest deficit overcome after losing first half to draw a game:

- 6 Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI @ HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD 25:25 (16:10), 17.11.2020
- 5 HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD @ Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI 28:28 (16:11), 26.10.2021
- 4 Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI @ Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER 30:30 (17:13), 02.02.2021
- 4 RK Gorenje Velenje SLO vs SL Benfica POR 27:27 (11:15), 03.05.2022
- 3 Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA vs Abanca Ademar Leon ESP 28:28 (14:17), 24.11.2020
- 3 HC Metalurg MKD vs Fivers AUT 33:33 (16:19), 22.12.2020
- 3 BM Logroño La Rioja ESP vs SC Magdeburg GER 29:29 (13:16), 16.11.2021
- 3 RK Gorenje Velenje SLO @ PAUC Handball FRA 26:26 (17:14), 23.11.2021
- 3 TBV Lemgo Lippe GER vs HBC Nantes FRA 37:37 (17:20), 22.02.2022
- 3 Cocks FIN vs TBV Lemgo Lippe GER 29:29 (12:15), 01.03.2022
- 3 Abanca Ademar Leon ESP @ HC Metalurg MKD 27:27 (16:13), 02.03.2021
- 3 SC Magdeburg GER @ Sporting CP POR 29:29 (16:13), 29.03.2022

EHF European League Men most goals in one half Top 10:


- 24 GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN – 1st half 46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
- 23 Montpellier HB FRA vs Besiktas Aygaz - 1st half 40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
- 23 Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD – 2nd half 45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
- 23 SC Magdeburg GER vs IFK Kristianstad SWE – 1st half 39:31 (23:12), 20.04.2021
- 23 IK Sävehof SWE vs BM Logroño La Rioja ESP – 1st half 43:31 (23:16), 19.10.2021
- 22 Chekhovskie medvedi RUS vs HC Metalurg MKD – 1st half 40:27 (22:11), 06.02.2021
- 22 Orlen Wisla Plock POL @ HC Metalurg MKD – 2nd half 19:38 (9:16), 14.02.2021
- 22 Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD – 1st half 45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
- 22 GOG DEN @ Chekhovskie medvedi RUS – 1st half 32:39 (15:22), 19.10.2021
- 22 HBC Nantes FRA @ Cocks FIN – 2nd half 28:40 (14:18), 19.10.2021
- 22 GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN – 2nd half 46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
- 22 SL Benfica POR @ Cocks FIN – 2nd half 32:37 (18:15), 16.11.2021
- 22 USAM Nimes Gard FRA @ Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN – 2nd half 30:38 (17:16), 07.12.2021
- 22 GOG DEN @ Cocks FIN – 1st half 23:34 (13:22), 22.02.2022
- 22 GOG DEN vs RK Nexe CRO – 1st half 37:37 (22:20), 03.05.2022

EHF European League Men most goals in one half both teams Top 10:

42	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN – 2nd half 46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
42	GOG DEN vs RK Nexe CRO – 1st half 37:37 (22:20), 03.05.2022
40	Abanca Ademar Leon ESP vs HC Metalurg MKD – 2nd half 41:32 (20:13), 17.11.2020
40	Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD – 2nd half 45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
40	SC Magdeburg GER vs Sporting CP POR – 1st half 36:35 (21:19), 05.04.2022
39	SC Magdeburg GER vs HC CSKA RUS – 2nd half 37:30 (17:11), 17.11.2020
39	Fivers AUT vs Abanca Ademar Leon ESP – 1st half 33:33 (19:20), 01.12.2020
39	IK Sävehof SWE vs BM Logroño La Rioja ESP – 1st half 43:31 (23:16), 19.10.2021
38	GOG DEN vs SL Benfica POR – 2nd half 39:38 (20:18), 01.03.2022
38	HC Metalurg MKD vs Chekhovskie medvedi RUS – 1st half 32:37 (17:21), 20.02.2021
38	GOG DEN vs SL Benfica POR – 1st half 39:38 (20:18), 01.03.2022
38	TBV Lemgo Lippe GER vs GOG DEN – 2nd half 39:35 (19:17), 08.03.2022

EHF European League Men fewest goals in one half Top 10:

5	Alingsas HK SWE vs HC CSKA RUS – 1st half 23:31 (5:16), 16.02.2021
6	Alingsas HK SWE @ SC Magdeburg GER – 2nd half 36:21 (18:15), 23.02.2021
6	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs USAM Nimes Gard FRA – 1st half 21:26 (6:15), 19.10.2021
7	Besiktas Aygaz TUR @ Montpellier HB FRA – 1st half 40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
7	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Fenix Toulouse Handball – 2nd half 19:31 (12:16), 07.12.2021
7	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL – 2nd half 15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022
8	Fivers AUT @ Orlen Wisla Plock POL – 2nd half 32:23 (17:15), 20.10.2020
8	Besiktas Aygaz TUR vs SC Magdeburg GER – 1st half 23:41 (8:20), 20.10.2020
8	RK Nexe CRO vs Montpellier HB FRA – 1st half 22:23 (8:10), 17.11.2020
8	RK Nexe CRO @ HC CSKA RUS – 1st half 29:18 (15:8), 24.11.2020
8	Alingsas HK SWE @ Montpellier HB FRA – 2nd half 32:21 (16:13), 01.12.2020
8	RK Nexe CRO vs SC Magdeburg GER – 1st half 24:32 (8:15), 01.12.2020
8	Sporting CP POR @ TATRAN Presov SVK – 2nd half 24:21 (12:13), 16.02.2021
8	Chekhovskie medvedi RUS @ Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER – 1st half 37:27 (19:8), 20.04.2021
8	Füchse Berlin GER @ SC Magdeburg GER – 1st half 28:25 (15:8), 23.05.2021
8	GOG DEN @ HBC Nantes FRA – 1st half 27:24 (11:8), 16.11.2021
8	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL – 1st half 15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022
8	AEK Athens HC GRE @ HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD – 1st half 30:19 (10:8), 08.03.2022



EHF European League Men fewest goals in one half both team Top 10:

18	RK Nexe CRO vs Montpellier HB FRA – 1st half 22:23 (8:10), 17.11.2020
18	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs AEK Athens HC GRE – 1st half 30:19 (10:8), 08.03.2022
19	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN – 2nd half 21:19 (11:10), 10.02.2021
20	Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN vs HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD – 1st half 21:24 (11:9), 11.02.2021
20	TATTRAN Presov SVK vs Sporting CP POR – 2nd half 24:21 (12:13), 16.02.2021
20	USAM Nimes Gard FRA vs Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN – 1st half 24:22 (11:9), 30.11.2021
21	CS Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs Sporting CP POR – 2nd half 25:27 (15:16), 20.10.2020
21	Orlen Wisla Plock POL vs Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA – 1st half 27:25 (12:9), 08.12.2020
21	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN – 1st half 21:19 (11:10), 10.02.2021
21	Alingsas HK SWE vs HC CSKA RUS – 1st half 23:31 (5:16), 16.02.2021
21	USAM Nimes Gard FRA vs Fuchse Berlin GER – 2nd half 22:24 (13:12), 24.02.2021
21	Sporting CP POR vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI – 1st half 29:28 (9:12), 19.10.2021
21	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs USAM Nimes Gard FRA – 1st half 21:26 (6:15), 19.10.2021
21	PAUC Handball FRA vs RK Gorenje Velenje SLO – 2nd half 26:26 (17:14), 23.11.2021
21	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs Sporting CP POR – 1st half 26:24 (10:11), 15.02.2022
21	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs RK Nexe CRO – 2nd half 21:22 (11:11), 05.04.2022

EHF European League Men – Winning_losing streaks before Final Four 2021_22 season**Longest winning run:**

SC Magdeburg GER	14 matches (01.12.2020 – 26.10.2021)
Orlen Wisla Plock POL	8 matches (20.10.2020 – 20.02.2021)
TATTRAN Presov SVK	8 matches (26.10.2021 – 01.03.2022)
Orlen Wisla Plock POL	8 matches (23.11.2021 - 29.03.2022)
Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	6 matches (03.02.2021 – 23.03.2021)
Fuchse Berlin GER	6 matches (19.10.2021 - 08.02.2022)

Longest unbeaten run:

SC Magdeburg GER	26 matches (01.12.2020 – 03.05.2022)
Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	11 matches (17.11.2020 – 30.03.2021)
Orlen Wisla Plock POL	11 matches (23.11.2021 – 03.05.2022)
Fuchse Berlin GER	9 matches (20.10.2020 – 23.03.2021)
Orlen Wisla Plock POL	8 matches (20.10.2020 – 20.02.2021)

Longest losing run:

Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN	12 matches (17.11.2020 – 26.10.2021)
Besiktas Aygaz TUR	10 matches (20.10.2020 – 02.03.2021)
Cocks FIN	8 matches (19.10.2021 - 22.02.2022)
Pfadi Winterthur SUI	7 matches (30.11.2021 - 08.03.2022)
TATTRAN Presov SVK	6 matches (20.10.2020 – 09.02.2021)
Alingsas HK SWE	6 matches (01.12.2020 – 23.02.2021)
RK Trimo Trebnje SLO	6 matches (08.12.2020 – 24.02.2021)
Chekhovskie medvedi RUS	6 matches (20.04.2021 – 30.11.2021)

Longest run without win:

Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN	12 matches (17.11.2020 – 26.10.2021)
Besiktas Aygaz TUR	10 matches (20.10.2020 – 02.03.2021)
HC Metalurg MKD	9 matches (20.10.2020 – 02.03.2021)
Cocks FIN	9 matches (19.10.2021 - 01.03.2022)
PAUC Handball FRA	9 matches (19.10.2021 – 01.03.2022)

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