



**MEN'S EHF EURO 2022**  
FINAL TOURNAMENT DRAW GUIDE

# DRAW PROCEDURE AND POTS

Following the completion of the EHF EURO 2022 qualifiers, the lineup for the final tournament in Hungary and Slovakia is complete – and the next step is for the 24 teams to learn their preliminary round opponents.

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20 of the teams made their way to the final tournament through the extensive qualification stage, which saw the two top-ranked teams in each of the eight playing groups clinch berths at the final tournament, along with the four best third-ranked teams. Hungary and Slovakia were directly qualified as co-hosts, while Spain and Croatia secured their places as finalists at the 2020 edition won by Spain.

For the draw, the 24 teams have been divided into four pots of six squads. The seeding for the pots is based on ranking at the EHF EURO 2020, updated with consideration for ranking in the qualifier groups.

POT 1	
Spain	Croatia
Norway	Slovenia
Germany	Portugal

POT 2	
Sweden	Hungary
Russia	Denmark
Serbia	Austria

POT 3	
Slovakia	Belarus
Iceland	Czech Republic
France	North Macedonia

POT 4	
Netherlands	Montenegro
Ukraine	Poland
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Lithuania

The pots are as follows:

- **Pot 1: Spain, Croatia, Norway, Slovenia, Germany, Portugal** — defending champions, runners-up and four first-ranked teams of qualifiers
- **Pot 2: Sweden, Hungary, Russia, Denmark, Serbia, Austria** — organisers, four first-ranked teams and one second-ranked team of qualifiers
- **Pot 3: Slovakia, Belarus, Iceland, Czech Republic, France, North Macedonia** — organisers and five second-ranked teams of qualifiers
- **Pot 4: Netherlands, Montenegro, Ukraine, Poland, Bosnia Herzegovina, Lithuania** — two second-ranked teams of qualifiers and four third-ranked teams

Six teams have already been allocated their group (and row, according to pot), with EHF EURO 2020 semi-finalists Slovenia set to play in group A in Debrecen; co-hosts Hungary to start in group B in Budapest; EHF EURO 2020 runners-up Croatia to begin in group C in Szeged; Germany in group D in Bratislava; Czech Republic in group E, also in Bratislava; and co-hosts Slovakia in group F in Kosice.

	Group A Debrecen	Group B Budapest	Group C Szeged	Group D Bratislava	Group E Bratislava	Group F Kosice
Row 1	<b>SLO</b>		<b>CRO</b>	<b>GER</b>		
Row 2		<b>HUN</b>				
Row 3					<b>CZE</b>	<b>SVK</b>
Row 4						

## Draw run-down

- 1<sup>st</sup> step: 3 teams of pot 1 are drawn to row 1
- 2<sup>nd</sup> step: 5 teams of pot 2 are drawn to row 2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> step: 4 teams of pot 3 are drawn to row 3
- 4<sup>th</sup> step: 6 teams of pot 4 are drawn to row 4

# HOW TO FOLLOW THE EHF EURO 2022 DRAW LIKE A PRO

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Four players will conduct the draw: Rodrigo Corrales (ESP), Bence Banhidi (HUN), Luka Stepancic (CRO) and Marian Zernovic (SVK), alongside EHF President Michael Wiederer and EHF Secretary General Martin Hausleitner.

Fans across the world will be able to discover their favourite team's fate live across a number of channels.

## WHERE TO WATCH THE FINAL TOURNAMENT DRAW



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 Viaplay	 ORF-TVthek & delayed on ORF Sport+	 Arena Sport Serbia AS 1
 Viaplay	 ruv.is	 Arena Sport Serbia AS 1
 Viaplay	 Sport 1HD	 Arena Sport Croatia AS 3
 TV2Sport	 Irt.It & News	 Arena Sport Serbia AS 1
 TV2Sport	 Ziggo Sport Docu	 Arena Sport Serbia AS 1
 Sport2 CZE	 Eurosport 1 Poland	 Arena Sport Serbia AS 1
 Sport2 SVK FB of JoyTV	 M4	 Arena Sport Serbia AS 1
 Sport1	 Belarus 5	 Arena Sport Croatia AS 3

Other territories: EHFTV

The draw event will be streamed live on [EHFTV](#) as well as the [Home of Handball Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) pages. Geoblocking will apply in territories listed below, where the draw will be broadcast on TV.

The 24 teams have been placed into four seeded pots, from which they will be drawn into six groups.

Complement your enjoyment of the draw event with extensive coverage on our EHF EURO social media channels, links to which are available on the last page of this guide, and a live blog on [eurohandball.com](#).

Following the completion of the draw, head over to the [EHF EURO Instagram](#) account at 18:00 CEST for live reactions from four star players as they give their first impressions on their path to glory at EHF EURO 2022 in Hungary and Slovakia.

# MEET THE EHF EURO 2022 MASCOT



The Men's EHF EURO 2022 has got its official mascot – although, as yet, remains nameless.

Handball fans are asked to help find a name for this mischievous deer, that will accompany us for the next nine months, including the final tournament in Hungary and Slovakia.

We have been enriched with a real master of fun, but we have not yet baptised our new friend. The decision is up to the fans, who can vote on our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages until Sunday 30 May.

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

 <https://www.instagram.com/p/COaFHytIVdl/>

 <https://twitter.com/EHFEURO/status/1389166254792056833>

**An unmissable character at EHF EURO 2022**  
But who is he really?

A sincere, naughty, outspoken guy, who is in for all the insanity. He is all about entertainment and does everything he can do to keep himself in the spotlight and keep the fans entertained. Sometimes he goes crazy, other times he makes the mood in unexpected situations.

He will be an unmissable character at the EHF EURO 2022, available for selfies with fans, spinning, dancing, surprising fans with a popcorn rain or a water gun, encouraging all to cheer, inviting to funny games, just doing everything he can to make everyone feel good in the arenas.

**Fans can vote the mascot's name until 30 May**

Fans will meet our fun master – who never hides his opinion – not only at matches, but also in our tournament guides and on our social media pages.

He is already sitting on needles, he is ready to start his crazy adventures... but he cannot yet as long as he can't introduce himself with a name!

# EHF EURO HISTORY

## POT 1

### Spain

1994: 5th	2008: 9th
1996: Silver	2010: 6th
1998: Silver	2012: 4th
2000: Bronze	2014: Bronze
2002: 7th	2016: Silver
2004: 10th	2018: Gold
2006: Silver	2020: Gold

### Croatia

1994: Bronze	2008: Silver
1996: 5th	2010: Silver
1998: 8th	2012: Bronze
2000: 6th	2014: 4th
2002: 12th	2016: Bronze
2004: 4th	2018: 5th
2006: 4th	2020: Silver

### Norway

1994: DNQ	2008: 6th
1996: DNQ	2010: 7th
1998: DNQ	2012: 13th
2000: 8th	2014: 14th
2002: DNQ	2016: 4th
2004: DNQ	2018: 7th
2006: 11th	2020: Bronze

## POT 2

### Sweden

1994: Gold	2008: 5th
1996: 4th	2010: 15th
1998: Gold	2012: 12th
2000: Gold	2014: 7th
2002: Gold	2016: 8th
2004: 7th	2018: Silver
2006: DNQ	2020: 7th

### Hungary

1994: 7th	2008: 8th
1996: 10th	2010: 14th
1998: 6th	2012: 8th
2000: DNQ	2014: 8th
2002: DNQ	2016: 12th
2004: 9th	2018: 14th
2006: 13th	2020: 9th

### Russia

1994: Silver	2008: 14th
1996: Gold	2010: 12th
1998: 4th	2012: 15th
2000: Silver	2014: 9th
2002: 5th	2016: 9th
2004: 5th	2018: DNQ
2006: 6th	2020: 22nd

### Slovenia

1994: 10th	2008: 10th
1996: 11th	2010: 11th
1998: DNQ	2012: 6th
2000: 5th	2014: DNQ
2002: 12th	2016: 14th
2004: Silver	2018: 8th
2006: 8th	2020: 4th

### Germany

1994: 9th	2008: 4th
1996: 8th	2010: 10th
1998: Bronze	2012: 7th
2000: 9th	2014: DNQ
2002: Silver	2016: Gold
2004: Gold	2018: 9th
2006: 5th	2020: 5th

### Portugal

1994: 12th	2008: DNQ
1996: DNQ	2010: DNQ
1998: DNQ	2012: DNQ
2000: 7th	2014: DNQ
2002: 9th	2016: DNQ
2004: 14th	2018: DNQ
2006: 15th	2020: 6th

### Denmark

1994: 4th	2008: Gold
1996: 12th	2010: 5th
1998: DNQ	2012: Gold
2000: 10th	2014: Silver
2002: Bronze	2016: 6th
2004: Bronze	2018: 4th
2006: Bronze	2020: 13th

### Serbia

1994: DNQ	2008: DNQ
1996: Bronze*	2010: 13th
1998: 5th*	2012: Silver
2000: DNQ	2014: 13th
2002: 10th*	2016: 15th
2004: 8th**	2018: 12th
2006: 9th**	2020: 20th

### Austria

1994: DNQ	2008: DNQ
1996: DNQ	2010: 9th
1998: DNQ	2012: DNQ
2000: DNQ	2014: 11th
2002: DNQ	2016: DNQ
2004: DNQ	2018: 15th
2006: DNQ	2020: 8th

DNQ: Did not qualify

\* qualified as Yugoslavia

\*\* qualified as Serbia & Montenegro

# EHF EURO HISTORY

## POT 3

### Slovakia

1994: DNQ	2008: 16th
1996: DNQ	2010: DNQ
1998: DNQ	2012: 16th
2000: DNQ	2014: DNQ
2002: DNQ	2016: DNQ
2004: DNQ	2018: DNQ
2006: 16th	2020: DNQ

### Belarus

1994: 8th	2008: 15th
1996: DNQ	2010: DNQ
1998: DNQ	2012: DNQ
2000: DNQ	2014: 12th
2002: DNQ	2016: 10th
2004: DNQ	2018: 10th
2006: DNQ	2020: 10th

### Iceland

1994: DNQ	2008: 11th
1996: DNQ	2010: Bronze
1998: DNQ	2012: 10th
2000: 11th	2014: 5th
2002: 4th	2016: 13th
2004: 13th	2018: 13th
2006: 7th	2020: 11th

## POT 4

### Netherlands

1994: DNQ	2008: DNQ
1996: DNQ	2010: DNQ
1998: DNQ	2012: DNQ
2000: DNQ	2014: DNQ
2002: DNQ	2016: DNQ
2004: DNQ	2018: DNQ
2006: DNQ	2020: 17th

### Montenegro

1994: DNQ	2008: 12th
1996: Bronze*	2010: DNQ
1998: 5th*	2012: DNQ
2000: DNQ	2014: 16th
2002: 10th*	2016: 16th
2004: 8th**	2018: 16th
2006: 9th**	2020: 18th

### Ukraine

1994: DNQ	2008: DNQ
1996: DNQ	2010: 16th
1998: DNQ	2012: DNQ
2000: 12th	2014: DNQ
2002: 11th	2016: DNQ
2004: 15th	2018: DNQ
2006: 12th	2020: 19th

### Czech Republic

1994: DNQ	2008: 13th
1996: 6th	2010: 8th
1998: 10th	2012: 14th
2000: DNQ	2014: 15th
2002: 8th	2016: DNQ
2004: 11th	2018: 6th
2006: DNQ	2020: 12th

### France

1994: 6th	2008: Bronze
1996: 7th	2010: Gold
1998: 7th	2012: 11th
2000: 4th	2014: Gold
2002: 6th	2016: 5th
2004: 6th	2018: Bronze
2006: Gold	2020: 14th

### North Macedonia

1994: DNQ	2008: DNQ
1996: DNQ	2010: DNQ
1998: 12th	2012: 5th
2000: DNQ	2014: 10th
2002: DNQ	2016: 11th
2004: DNQ	2018: 11th
2006: DNQ	2020: 15th

### Poland

1994: DNQ	2008: 7th
1996: DNQ	2010: 4th
1998: DNQ	2012: 9th
2000: DNQ	2014: 6th
2002: 15th	2016: 7th
2004: 16th	2018: DNQ
2006: 10th	2020: 21st

### Bosnia-Herzegovina

1994: DNQ	2008: DNQ
1996: DNQ	2010: DNQ
1998: DNQ	2012: DNQ
2000: DNQ	2014: DNQ
2002: DNQ	2016: DNQ
2004: DNQ	2018: DNQ
2006: DNQ	2020: 23rd

### Lithuania

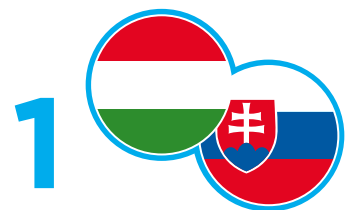
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1996: DNQ	2010: DNQ
1998: 9th	2012: DNQ
2000: DNQ	2014: DNQ
2002: DNQ	2016: DNQ
2004: DNQ	2018: DNQ
2006: DNQ	2020: DNQ

DNQ: Did not qualify

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# FACTS AND FIGURES



for the first time both Hungary and Slovakia will host the EHF EURO



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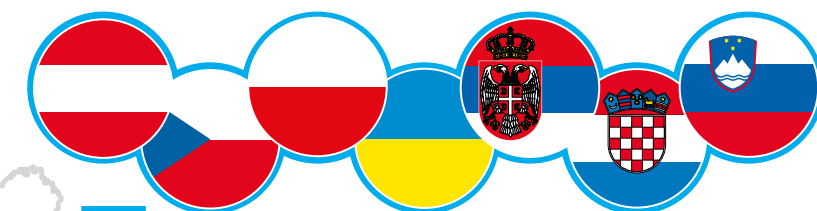
**24** teams have qualified for the Men's EHF EURO 2022



5 host cities welcome the teams at Men's EHF EURO 2022. Debrecen, Szeged and Kosice will only host the preliminary round, Bratislava also the main round and Budapest will be hosting the tournament all they way until the final weekend.



6 different nations have won at least one EHF EURO title (4x Sweden, 3x France, 2x Germany, 2x Denmark, 2x Spain, 1x Russia)



7 out of eight neighbouring countries of the EHF EURO hosts have made it to the final tournament



**480**

players will participate at the EHF EURO 2022



65 matches will be played in 18 days

**20,022** 

seats in the arena in Budapest, which will also host the final weekend

# HOSTS & VENUES

The EHF EURO 2022 will be the 15<sup>th</sup> edition of the tournament and the second to feature 24 national teams after a premiere of this format in 2020. It will be co-hosted in two countries, Hungary and Slovakia, whose joint bid to host the championship succeeded at the 14<sup>th</sup> EHF Ordinary Congress in Glasgow, Scotland in June 2018. Both countries will host the Men's EHF EURO for the first time in history.

The official EHF EURO 2022 logo was presented on the fringes of the EHF EURO 2020 final weekend in Stockholm. It includes the national colours of both host nations – red, green, white and blue. The logo relates closely to the event's motto "watch games, see more", highlighting the many opportunities for fans around the five venues.

The EHF EURO 2022 will be hosted by Bratislava (two groups of the preliminary round and main round) and Kosice (preliminary round) in Slovakia; Debrecen, Szeged (both preliminary round) and Budapest (preliminary round, main round and final weekend) in Hungary from 13-30 January 2020.

The matches in the Hungarian capital will be staged in the new Budapest Aréna. The playing system with six preliminary round groups and two main round remains the same as in 2022.

**SZEGED, HUNGARY**  
PICK ARÉNA Capacity: 8,143



**KOSICE, SLOVAKIA**  
STEEL ARÉNA Capacity: 8,350



**DEBRECEN, HUNGARY**  
FÖNIX HALL Capacity: 6,500



**BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA**  
ONDREJ NEPELA ARÉNA Capacity: 10,050



**BUDAPEST, HUNGARY**  
BUDAPEST ARÉNA Capacity: 20,022





# PREVIOUS HOST NATIONS & WINNERS



Tournament	Host nation(s)	Winners
EHF EURO 1994	Portugal	Sweden
EHF EURO 1996	Spain	Russia
EHF EURO 1998	Italy	Sweden
EHF EURO 2000	Croatia	Sweden
EHF EURO 2002	Sweden	Sweden
EHF EURO 2004	Slovenia	Germany
EHF EURO 2006	Switzerland	France
EHF EURO 2008	Norway	Denmark
EHF EURO 2010	Austria	France
EHF EURO 2012	Serbia	Denmark
EHF EURO 2014	Denmark	France
EHF EURO 2016	Poland	Germany
EHF EURO 2018	Croatia	Spain
EHF EURO 2020	Sweden / Austria / Norway	Spain

# PLAYING SCHEDULE

## GROUP PHASE

	Thursday 13.1.2022	Friday 14.1.2022	Saturday 15.1.2022	Sunday 16.1.2022	Monday 17.1.2022	Tuesday 18.1.2022	Wednesday 19.1.2022
<b>DEBRECEN</b> GROUP A A1 A2 A3 A4	A1-A3		A3-A4		A4-A1		
	A2-A4		A1-A2		A3-A2		
<b>BUDAPEST</b> GROUP B B1 B2 B3 B4 MAIN ROUND GROUP I SEMI-FINALS 5/6 PLACEMENT FINALS	B1-B3	B2-B4		B3-B4		B4-B1	
				B1-B2		B3-B2	
<b>SZEGED</b> GROUP C C1 C2 C3 C4	C1-C3		C3-C4		C4-C1		
	C2-C4		C1-C2		C3-C2		
<b>BRATISLAVA</b> GROUP D D1 D2 D3 D4 GROUP E E1 E2 E3 E4 MAIN ROUND GROUP II		D1-D3		D3-D4		D4-D1	
		D2-D4		D1-D2		D3-D2	
	E1-E3		E3-E4		E4-E1		
	E2-E4		E1-E2		E3-E2		
<b>KOSICE</b> GROUP F F1 F2 F3 F4	F1-F3		F3-F4		F4-F1		
	F2-F4		F1-F2		F3-F2		

## MAIN ROUND

	Thursday 20.1.2022	Friday 21.1.2022	Saturday 22.1.2022	Sunday 23.1.2022	Monday 24.1.2022	Tuesday 25.1.2022	Wednesday 26.1.2022	Thursday 27.1.2022
	1.C-2.B		1.C-1.B		1.A-2.B		1.A-1.C	
	2.A-2.C		1.A-2.C		2.A-1.C		2.A-1.B	
	1.A-1.B		2.A-2.B		1.B-2.C		2.B-2.C	
	1.F-2.E	1.F-1.E		1.D-2.E		1.D-1.F		
	2.D-2.F	1.D-2.F		2.D-1.F		2.D-1.E		
	1.D-1.E	2.D-2.E		1.E-2.F		2.E-2.F		

REST DAY

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## SEMI-FINALS & PLACEMENT MATCH

Friday 28.1.2022	Saturday 29.1.2022	Sunday 30.1.2022
Match nr 61 1.1-2.11		Place 3/4 1.61-1.62
Match nr 62 2.1-1.11		Final W61-W62
Place 5/6 3.1-3.11		

## FINALS

The EHF reserves the right to schedule additional placement matches, if required.  
The EHF reserves the right to change the playing schedule and the match order on the respective playing days due to TV transmission requirements.



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