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Foreword EHF President

Dear handball friends,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you back for the resumption of the EHF Champions League Men. In the two months since our last action, the handball elite have been competing in the World Championship in Egypt and those on duty for their national teams now return to focus on Europe's top-flight.

The performances in Egypt once again reminded us just how strong European teams are on the world stage and my congratulations go to champions Denmark on securing back-to-back titles. Together with runners-up Sweden and Spain, who finished in third, there were 27 players at EHF Champions League clubs who medalled in Egypt whose aim now is to make it a year to remember by finishing with an EHF Champions League medal.

From the first ball, group A has been dominated by two sides who are only separated by goal difference at the top. Łomża Vive Kielce and SG Flensburg-Handewitt have enjoyed a fine campaign to date and are closing in on a place in the quarter-finals, having won six of their eight matches so far. With Paris Saint-Germain, who finished third at the VELUX EHF FINAL4 2020 in December, also fighting for a place in the next phase, this group promises to have plenty of twists and turns before its conclusion.

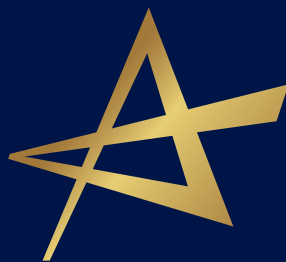
In group B, Barça have blown away all before them, winning all eight of their matches to sit pretty at the top on 16 points. Telekom Veszprém have kept with up with Catalan club, sitting three points behind having won six of their eight matches. The Hungarian side have a one-point advantage over Motor as the second half of the season begins, while Aalborg Håndbold, who saw six players win medals at the World Championship, lie in fourth on 10 points.

With every team's goal to reach Cologne, it would be remiss of me not to highlight another team in group B: THW Kiel. Although their results in the 2020/21 season have been mixed, the German outfit were crowned winners of the 2020 season in a memorable VELUX EHF FINAL4 2020 in December. Filip Jicha's side were the toast of Europe after two epic performances in Cologne and my congratulations go to all concerned at the Wunderino Arena. Of course, it was both unfortunate and sad that such an achievement was not witnessed by spectators in a full LANXESS arena but, in these uncertain times, it was uplifting to see so many supporters across the world tuning into watch each match.

In these Covid-19 dominated days, we have done our utmost to ensure the welfare of the teams with the implementation of a strict and detailed hygiene concept. It has helped us ensure a safe return of top-flight handball to arenas across Europe and hopefully soon we will be able to see the return of you, the fans, who are the heartbeat of handball.

So, as the pace on the road to Cologne and the EHF FINAL4 on 12/13 June 2021 increases, I wish all teams a safe and happy return to action and wish you all the very best of luck on your EHF Champions League Men journey.

Michael Wiederer
EHF President



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Dear handball friends,

First of all I would like to salute you and to wish you all and your families to be in good health!

Keep safe and act responsibly!

Putting the results aside the main reason why this season shall be remembered is this unique and very serious situation with the virus COVID-19 across the globe.

Our lives have changed significantly and handball is of course no exception.

We had to change the way we think, the way we practice, eat, travel, play games, organise events and so on. And even when we adjusted to this so called “new normal” there was nothing we could do to keep this malignant disease from striking us.

Like almost every other club, we experienced both the quarantine and the self isolation process. Both our players and our employees were positive to COVID-19 at some point and we had to cancel one of our away games unfortunately.

This is why I believe that now more than ever we should all act responsible and follow the recommendations and rules from our epidemiologists.

Thanks to our sponsors and White Lions!

As always I would like to mention our sponsors without whom we would not be able to compete at the highest level of European handball. They were, are and always will be the integral part of our handball family.

A special thanks goes of course to our fans and especially to “White Lions” whose support means a world to us and our players. They are our “eighth player” and we sure hope that they will be allowed back to the stands as soon as possible!

To all of you I wish all the best! Keep safe and stay healthy!

Vedran Šupuković
HC PPD Zagreb, director

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MARIN ŠIPIĆ	CRO	29.04.1996.	LINE PLAYER	2
FILIP VISTOROP	CRO	29.04.1998.	MIDDLE BACK	4
LUKA MRAKOVIĆ	CRO	22.09.1994.	MIDDLE BACK	5
DAVOR ČAVAR	CRO	07.12.1995.	LEFT WING	6
DAVID MANDIĆ	CRO	14.09.1997.	LEFT WING	7
LUKA LOVRE KLARICA	CRO	25.09.2001.	RIGHT BACK	9
SENJAMIN BURIĆ	BIH	20.11.1990.	LINE PLAYER	10
ZVONIMIR SRNA	CRO	18.01.1998.	LEFT BACK	11
TODOR JANDRIĆ	CRO	02.06.1998.	GOALKEEPER	12
MARIO VUGLAČ	CRO	30.01.1992.	RIGHT BACK	13
NEMANJA OBRADOVIĆ	SRB	08.01.1991.	MIDDLE BACK	14
DARKO STOJNIĆ	SLO	03.04.1997.	LINE PLAYER	15
MATEJ AŠANIN	CRO	04.09.1993.	GOALKEEPER	16
PAOLO KRALJEVIĆ	CRO	31.03.2001.	RIGHT WING	17
FILIP PERIĆ	CRO	18.10.1996.	RIGHT WING	19
IVAN LALIEK	CRO	28.08.1992.	MIDDLE BACK	23
VLADO MATANOVIĆ	CRO	29.05.1995.	RIGHT WING	24
VALENTINO RAVNIĆ	CRO	20.07.1995.	LEFT WING	33
MATEJ HRSTIĆ	CRO	11.08.1996.	LEFT BACK	44
CSABA LEIMETER	HUN	15.12.1994.	RIGHT BACK	55
NIKOLA GRAHOVAC	CRO	14.12.1998.	LINE PLAYER	71
ALEKS VLAH	SLO	22.07.1997.	MIDDLE BACK	88
IVICA OBRVAN			HEAD COACH	
DENIS ŠPOLJARIĆ			ASSIST. COACH	
TONČI VALČIĆ			ASSIST. COACH	
ŠIME TOMAŠEVIĆ			FITNESS COACH	
ARIAN JOVIĆ			GOALKEEP. COACH	
DAMIR KAJBA			PHYSIO	
IVANA MINAUF			PHYSIO	

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Hungary



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DEJAN MANASKOV	MKD	26.08.1992.	LEFT WING	2
YAHIA KHALED FATHY OMAR	EGY	09.09.1997.	RIGHT BACK	5
MARTON SZEKELY	HUN	02.01.1990.	GOALKEEPER	12
ROGERIO MORAES FERREIRA	BRA	11.01.1994.	MIDDLE BACK	13
KENT ROBIN TENNSEN	NOR	05.06.1991.	RIGHT BACK	15
VLADIMIR CUPARA	SRB	19.02.1994.	GOALKEEPER	16
ANDREAS NILSSON	SWE	12.04.1990.	MIDDLE BACK	18
NIKOLAJ ROMER BERG MARKUSSEN	DEN	01.08.1988.	LEFT BACK	22
PATRIK LIGETVARI	HUN	13.02.1996.	LEFT BACK	23
GAŠPER MARGUČ	SLO	20.08.1990.	RIGHT WING	24
RASMUS LAUGE SCHMIDT	DEN	20.06.1991.	LEFT BACK	25
MANUEL ŠTRLEK	CRO	01.12.1988.	LEFT WING	26
BLAŽ BLOAGOTIŃŠEK	SLO	17.01.1994.	MIDDLE BACK	31
DANIIL SHISHKAREV	RUS	06.07.1988.	RIGHT WING	33
PETAR NENADIĆ	SRB	28.06.1986.	LINE PLAYER	34
KENTIN MAHE	FRA	22.05.1991.	LINE PLAYER	35
RODRIGO CORRALES RODAL	ESP	24.01.1991.	GOALKEEPER	36
JORGE MAQUEDA PENO	ESP	15.03.1988.	RIGHT BACK	55
MATE LEKAI	HUN	16.06.1988.	LINE PLAYER	66
VUKO BOROZAN	MNE	09.04.1994.	LEFT BACK	87
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