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2008 Men's European Handball Championship

The main round of the Men's European Championship in Norway has now come to an end and the Final Weekend awaits us. Over 800 media representatives are stationed in Norway to report from the Championship and the official website at www.ehf-euro.com is already showing record figures.

Following the completion of the Main Round, 6 teams remain in the Championship. Six more have departed, the ranking is as follows:

7. Poland	8. Hungary	9. Spain	10. Slovenia	11. Iceland
12. Montenegro	13. Russia	14. Czech Rep.	15. Belarus	16. Slovakia

All results from the Main Round can be found in the bulletin, which is available online.

The remaining teams are:

PLACE 5/6: NOR:SWE 13:00

Semi-final 2: CRO: FRA 15:30

Semi-final 1: DEN:GER 18:00

The final will take place at 16:00 on 27th January 2008.

Match 48 cancelled as the places for the Olympic Qualifications are already decided by the ranking of the Main Round Groups (NOR, SWE ranked 3rd).

Further Final Weekend Activities

EHF Executive Committee Members in Lillehammer

The EHF Executive Committee will meet on 25th January. Alongside the normal daily business of the EHF they will discuss the European Championship in Norway and make final preparations for the EHF Extraordinary Congress on Saturday 26th.

EHF Extraordinary Congress

The 9th EHF Extraordinary Congress will take place on Saturday 26th January 2008 in Lillehammer. This will be the follow-up Congress of the Rome Extraordinary Congress of October 2007.

2008 Women's European Championship Play-off Draw & Press Conference

Immediately after the EHF Extraordinary Congress, the draw for the 2008 Women's European Championship Play-offs will take place. This will be followed by a short press conference on the EHF Extraordinary Congress

2009 Men's World Championship Play-off Draw (Europe)

The draw for the 2009 Men's World Championship Play-off Draw (Europe) will take place at 12:45 in the event arena in Lillehammer on Sunday 27th January 2008. Those national teams who have directly qualified for the 2009 Men's World Championship in Croatia (IHF event) are Germany - defending Champion, Croatia –organiser plus the three best ranked teams from Euro 2008. Denmark, France and the winner of match 5/6 also qualify directly.

EHF/IHF Press Conference

In line with EHF tradition, there will be a Euro 2008 Press Conference on the Final Day of Euro 2008 at 11:00 (27.01.2008). The EHF will then be joined by representatives of the IHF to talk about joint EHF/IHF matters. The conference will conclude with the topic of IHF Matters.