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2008 Men's 20 European Championship



MEN'S 20 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP ROMANIA 2008 The 2008 Men's 20 European Championship, which is currently taking place in Bucharest and Brasov, Romania, is approaching the final weekend. The main round and intermediate round came to an end yesterday.

Tomorrow the cross matches for the places 5 to 8 followed by the semi-finals FRA v DEN and GER v SWE will be played in the "Polivalenta" sports hall in Bucharest (beginning at 12:30 hrs.). Parallel to these the cross matches for the places 9 to 16 will take place in the "D. P.-Colibasi" hall in Brasov.

The placement matches 5 to 16 are scheduled for Saturday, 2 August 2008 (places 5 to 8 in Bucharest, places 9 to 16 in Brasov). This event will come to a climax in Bucharest on Sunday, 3 August 2007, starting at 14:30 hrs. with the bronze medal match followed by crowning the European Champion in the gold medal match. The throw off is at 17:00 hrs. Afterwards the prize giving ceremony will take place.

Semi-finalists:Denmark, France, Germany, SwedenPlaces 5 to 8:Czech Republic, Portugal, Romania, SpainPlaces 9 to 12:Russia, Hungary, Poland, SerbiaPlace 13 to 16:Croatia, Estonia, Slovakia, Slovenia



Please find below an overview of the cross matches and semi-finals:

Playing arena "Polivalenta", Bucharest		
01.08.2008 - 12:30 hrs.	ESP – POR	place 5-8
01.08.2008 - 15:00 hrs.	CZE – ROU	place 5-8
01.08.2008 - 17:30 hrs.	FRA – DEN	semi-final 1
01.08.2008 - 20:00 hrs.	GER – SWE	semi-final 2
<i>Playing Arena "</i> D. PColibasi <i>", Brasov</i> 01.08.2008 - 12:30 hrs. 01.08.2008 - 15:00 hrs.	SLO – SVK CRO – EST	place 13-16 place 13-16
01.08.2008 - 17:30 hrs.	POL – RUS	place 9-12
01.08.2008 - 20:00 hrs.	SRB – HUN	place 9-12



The top two ranked teams in the final standings will proceed to the subsequent Men's U21 World Championship (IHF Event) in Egypt from 10 to 23 July 2009.

More information and impressions from the event can be found at <u>www.rou-euro2008.com</u>.

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