EHF 2020 Men's European Championship in SWE / AUT / NOR "EHF EURO 2020"



Procedure for the draw of the Qualification Phase 1

<u>Date:</u> 24 June 2016 <u>Time:</u> appr. 14:00 hrs <u>Venue:</u> EHF Office, Vienna

Total entries (phase 1 / Trophy):18 teamsParticipating teams in EURO qualification (phase 1):9 teamsParticipating teams in European IHF Trophy:9 teamsParticipating teams in EURO qualification (phase 2):32 teamsTeams at Final Tournament:24 teamsPlaces available at Final Tournament:20 teams

Qualified for Final Tournament: Organisers SWE, AUT, NOR and

Champion of EURO 2018

Qualified for Qualification Phase 2:

All teams participating in the EURO Qualification (phase 2) for the Men's EHF EURO 2018 are already qualified for the Men's EHF EURO 2020 Qualification (phase 2). The teams are as follows (in alphabetical order):

BEL, BIH, BLR, CRO (organiser 2018), CZE, DEN, ESP, FIN, FRA, GER, HUN, ISL, LAT, LTU, MKD, MNE, NED, POL, POR, ROU, RUS, SLO, SRB, SUI, SVK, UKR

According to the EXEC decision **ISR** (as the highest ranked team of the valid EHF Ranking Table) was in addition to the above mentioned teams directly qualified to phase 2.

Participants in European IHF Trophy:

The 9 registered teams for the European IHF Trophy are (in alphabetical order):

ALB (tbc), AND, ARM, AZE, BUL, GBR, IRL, MDA, MLT.

Qualification Phase 1:

The 9 registered teams for the EHF EURO 2020 Qualification Phase 1 are (in alphabetical order):

CYP, EST, FAR, GEO, GRE, ITA, KOS, LUX, TUR.

<u>Phase 1</u> will be played in 3 groups of 3 teams. The winners of each group will qualify for the EURO qualification (phase 2).

The 9 teams are seeded based on the EHF National Team Ranking valid for the EHF EURO 2018 and 2020 Qualification:

3 Teams in pot 1: TUR, GRE, ITA	3 Teams in pot 3: GEO, FAR, KOS
3 Teams in pot 2: EST, LUX, CYP	

Procedure:

Group A	Group B	Group C	
			Step 3: 3 teams of pot 1 to row 1
			Step 2: 3 teams of pot 2 to row 2
			Step 1: 3 teams of pot 3 to row 3

The EHF EURO 2020 Qualification phase 1 will be played as mentioned in the registration in three periods (2 to 6 November 2016, 4 to 8 January 2017 and 11 to 15 January 2017). It will not be allowed to play home matches in the country of the opponent.