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Playing Times confirmed

The official playing times for the 2015 edition of the VELUX EHF FINAL4 have been confirmed. The matches will be played as in previous years at 15:15 and 18:00 hrs on both Saturday and Sunday. The playing order of the semi-final matches will be confirmed only after the draw event.

2,000 tickets available for four clubs

Fans of the four teams qualified for the VELUX EHF FINAL4 each have 500 tickets reserved for them in across all prices categories. Tickets will only be available to purchase direct from the club itself.

Tickets still available for Opening Party

Thousands of fans will gather around the arena for the Opening Party on Friday night. With up to 7,000 people and entertainment from local band 'Brings', fans will also get the chance to meet their heroes, the players of the VELUX EHF FINAL4. Hosts Anett Sattler and Markus Floth will present the show, which will culminate in a huge fireworks display.

Tickets are available at ehfFINAL4.com or via +49 (0)221 280 288 for €7.00 inclusive a free drink (€5.00 for kids).

Unique fan engagement in opening shows

All handball fans taking part at the Opening Party have a unique chance to become part of the entertainment on the final day. All they have to do is to enter the video box at the LANXESS arena on Friday and sing "Seven nations army" song. In the opening show prior the third place match on Sunday a faces compilation of all participants will be projected on the floor during a big digital choir of fans voices.

Voice of Germany's Kim Sanders to perform

Stars from the Voice of Germany will once again entertain fans in the LANXESS arena. A special highlight will be a performance of Phil Collins' 'In the Air Tonight' by Kim Sanders – a song that will be released on her new album during the FINAL4 weekend.

Play for Change becomes new charity partner

The charitable foundation Play for Change teams up with the VELUX EHF FINAL4 organisers as a new charity partner of the event. Play for Change, an organisation set up to enhance the lives of children and

young people around the world by providing access to sports and education, has already been present on the shirts of top EHF referees from the start of this season.

Charity Golf Tournament

The fourth edition of the VELUX EHF FINAL4 Charity Golf Tournament will take place on Saturday, 30 May 2015 from 09:30 hrs in the Velderhof Golf and Country Club. Handball stars past and present will rub shoulders with well-known faces from the world of handball and beyond as they play ahead of the start of the event. The event is in aid of charity partners Play for Change.

#SCOREMORE at the VELUX EHF FINAL4

Official hashtags for the 2015 event are #SCOREMORE and #ehffinal4. Join in the conversation in the run up to the event and follow us on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram - @EHFCL. And there is still a chance to win a VIP experience at the VELUX EHF FINAL4 by taking the #scoremore Challenge (more information on the EHF CL Facebook page). The winners will get the chance to take the challenge on court in front of 20,000 people during the final weekend.

VELUX EHF FINAL4 App is back

Handball fans will once again be able to keep completely up-to-date with the latest news, results and video from the VELUX EHF FINAL4 App as it re-launches ahead of the final weekend. Fans will be able to stream the event from their mobile device and follow all the latest video news from ehfTV.com. The App will be available for iOS and Android.

Tickets sale to start for the 2016 VELUX EHF FINAL4

The sale of tickets for the 2016 VELUX EHF FINAL4 will start during the final weekend, from the ticket shop in the LANXESS arena. Online ticket sales will then begin on Monday, 1 June 2015. In 2014 a total of 7,000 tickets were sold during the final weekend to fans eager to secure their place in the LANXESS arena.

All-star team to be announced during VELUX EHF FINAL4

Handball fans are busy voting for their star selection of Europe's top-flight. The final selection will be announced during the VELUX EHF FINAL4 in Cologne and fans have until Sunday 24 May 2015 to make their selection.

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Media Events

Friday

Afternoon	Teaming training: first 15 mins open to the media for filming/photos	Various venues in Cologne
Afternoon	Media call: each team with 5 players and coach/manager for 30 mins for interviews	Hotel RadissonBLU, Messe Kreisel 3
18:00	Opening Party: all participating teams & handball legends attending, trophy photo opportunities	LANXESS arena

Saturday

9:30	Charity Golf Tournament: Officials and handball legends, photo opportunities	Golf & Country Club Velderhof
15:15	Semi-final 1	LANXESS arena
15 minutes after match	Post-match press conference: head coach and one player	LANXESS arena Media Centre
18:00	Semi-final 2	LANXESS arena
15 minutes after match	Post-match press conference: head coach and one player	LANXESS arena Media Centre
20:00	Media Get Together 'Altstadt'	Brewery, Cologne

Sunday

TBC	Closing press conference	LANXESS arena Media Centre
15:15	Match 3/4 Place	LANXESS arena
15 minutes after match	Post-match press conference: head coach and one player	LANXESS arena Media Centre
18:00	Final	LANXESS arena
15 minutes after winners' ceremony	Post-match press conference: head coach and one player	LANXESS arena Media Centre

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Freitag, 29. Mai 2015

Opening Party

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Media Accreditation for the VELUX EHF FINAL4

With less than seven weeks to go before the start of the VELUX EHF FINAL4, the final round of the VELUX EHF Champions League, accreditation requests from media representatives are now being accepted.

For the sixth time the top event of the club season will take place in the LANXESS arena, Cologne on 30 and 31 May 2015 and will see the continent's best four teams battling it out over two days to lift the coveted VELUX EHF Champions League trophy.

Journalists, photographers, TV and radio representatives can now submit their request for accreditation via an online form at www.ehfFINAL4.com, the event's official website.

Requests for media accreditation could only be made online and should be made by Monday 27 April at 15.00, almost two weeks after the completion of the quarter-final matches.

Media accreditation is only open to professional media representatives working at the event. Freelance media representatives may be asked to provide additional evidence of their work. There are limited places and it may not be possible to accept all requests for an accreditation.

[Click here to enter the media accreditation page](#)



Facts & figures

Spaniards galore at the 2015 VELUX EHF FINAL4

156 matches since the start of the qualification have been played in the VELUX EHF Champions League so far and the last four in Cologne on 30/31 May will decide which team will succeed last season's champions SG Flensburg-Handewitt.

Here are the most important facts and figures of the 2014/15 season of the competition, prior to the VELUX EHF FINAL4 in Cologne. The draw for this pinnacle event will be staged in Cologne on Tuesday.

0 teams have defended their title since the implementation of the VELUX EHF FINAL4 in Cologne in the 2009/10 season. Flensburg were the latest champions to fall after facing Kiel in the Last 16.

0 times THW Kiel has lost a match against a Spanish team at any VELUX EHF FINAL4 event or against a team coached by a Spaniard. All three opposing team coaches in Cologne are Spanish

1 – for the first time since the implementation of the VELUX EHF FINAL4, all four winners of the group phase have gone all the way to Cologne.

1 coach arrives in Cologne with his second club, for the first time. Before Talant Dujšebaev led Kielce to the LANXESS arena, he was in Cologne as the coach of Ciudad Real/Atletico Madrid in 2010, 2011 and 2012.

1 coach has won the EHF Champions League with two different clubs so far: Alfred Gislason (2002 with SC Magdeburg, 2010 and 2012 with Kiel). If Kielce take the trophy in 2015, Talant Dujšebaev would be the second.

1 man has won the EHF Champions League as a player (1994 with Santander) and as a coach (2006, 2008, 2009 with Ciudad Real): again Talant Dujšebaev. Carlos Ortega (six times Champions League winner with FC Barcelona) can join the elite club if he leads Veszprem to the title.

1 player can win the VELUX EHF Champions League title for the second time in a row, Steffen Weinhold. He took the trophy last year with SG Flensburg-Handewitt before moving to THW Kiel. Not a single player since 2009 won the VELUX EHF Champions league twice in a row.

1 Spanish player minimum will become VELUX EHF Champions League winner 2015 – as every team counts on at least one Spanish player: Barcelona (13), Veszprem (3), Kielce (1) and Kiel (1). In three of four teams at least one German and Croat are involved.

1 Icelandic coach has been involved in all six VELUX EHF FINAL4 so far: Besides Alfred Gislason (now five times with Kiel), Dagur Sigurdsson was there with Fühse Berlin in 2012 and Gudmundur Gudmundsson with Rhein Neckar Löwen in 2011.

1 team turned a defeat in the first quarter-final leg into a ticket to Cologne – Kiel against Szeged.

1 team won all knockout matches (Last 16 and quarter-finals) this season: FC Barcelona.

2 players have scored more than 100 goals so far: Mikkel Hansen (PSG/103) and Momir Ilic (Veszprem/101). But only Ilic can add more goals to his tally, as PSG and Hansen were eliminated by Veszprem in the quarter-finals.

2 former EHF Champions League winners, amounting to ten titles, have made it to Cologne: FC Barcelona (1996-2000, 2005, 2011) and THW Kiel (2007, 2010, 2012).

2 straight times the defending VELUX EHF Champions league champions have been eliminated in the Last 16: Hamburg (2014 by Vardar) and Flensburg (2015 by Kiel).

2 teams won both legs of the quarter-finals – Barcelona and Kielce.

3 Spanish coaches are involved in the 2015 VELUX EHF Champions League FINAL4: Xavi Pascual (Barcelona), Talant Dujšebaev (Kielce) and Carlos Ortega (Veszprem). The only non-Spaniard is Alfred Gislason (Iceland, Kiel). In the quarter-finals five Spanish coaches were involved (including Juan Carlos Pastor/Szeged and Raul Gonzalez/Vardar) in the Last 16 it was even seven (including Manuel Cadenas/Plock and Jesus Javier Gonzales Fernandez/La Rioja).

3 of the four 2015 VELUX EHF FINAL4 participants had been part of the 2014 event: Barcelona, Kiel and Veszprem.

3 players part of the 2015 VELUX EHF FINAL4 hold non-European passports: Wael Jallouz (Barcelona/Tunisia), Danijel Saric (Barcelona/Qatar) and Imam Jamali (Veszprem/Iran).

4 nations are only represented by the 21 previous winners of the competition: Spain (13 titles, including all from 1994 to 2001), Germany (6 titles, including four from five in Cologne), France (Montpellier) and Slovenia (Celje).

4 former or current IHF World Handball Players of the Year will be on court in Cologne: Nikola Karabatic (Barcelona, 2007 and 2014), Slawomir Szmal (Kielce, 2009), Filip Jicha (Kiel, 2010), Domagoj Duvnjak (Kiel, 2013). In addition, Kielce coach Talant Dujšebaev was awarded twice in 1994 and 1996.

4 different nations are (for the first time since the premiere in 2010) represented by the four VELUX EHF FINAL4 participants: Spain, Germany, Poland and Hungary. Seven nations had been represented by the eight quarter-finalists, including two Hungarian teams.

5 former top scorers of the EHF Champions League are on court in Cologne: Filip Jicha (2008/09 – 99 goals for Kiel, 2009/10 – 119 goals for Kiel), Sjarhei Rutenka (2003/04 – 103 goals for Celje, 2004/05 – 85 goals for Celje), Kiril Lazarov (2005/06 – 85 goals for Veszprem, 2007/08 – 96 goals for Veszprem), Nikola Karabatic (2006/07 – 89 goals for Kiel) and Momir Ilic (2013/14 – 103 goals for Veszprem)

Facts & figures

5 consecutive times Gudjon Valur Sigurdsson will be part of the VELUX EHF FINAL4 – with his fourth different club: 2011 with Rhein Neckar Löwen, 2012 with AG København, 2013 and 2014 with THW Kiel and 2015 with FC Barcelona. Despite this record the Icelandic left wing has yet to win the title.

5 Champions League titles with three clubs are on the tally of Sjarhei Rutenka (Barcelona), who won trophy with Celje (2004), Ciudad Real (2006, 2008, 2009) and Barcelona (2011).

6 nations so far had been represented in VELUX EHF FINAL4 events since 2010: Germany (ten participants in total including 2015), Spain (8), Poland and Hungary (each 2), Russia, Denmark (each 1).

10 matches since the start of the group phase ended in a draw, nine in the group phase and one in the quarter-finals.

11 different clubs have qualified for the VELUX EHF FINAL4: Kiel, Barcelona (each five times), Ciudad Real/Madrid (three times), Hamburg, Veszprem, Kielce (each twice), Berlin, Löwen, Flensburg, København, Medvedi (each once).

11 consecutive matches Kiel and Kielce remained unbeaten. For Kielce it was ten in the group phase and the opener of the Last 16 against Montpellier. For Kiel it was nine in the group phase (after losing the opener to Zagreb) and both Last 16 matches against Flensburg.

12 times (including 2015) Barcelona are part of an EHF Champions League semi-final ahead of Kiel (11), Veszprem (5) and Kielce (2, all including 2015).

13 matches since the start of the group phase ended with a winning margin of ten or more goals, 10 in the group phase, two in the Last 16 and one in the quarter-finals.

13 wins from 14 matches bring Kielce on top of the “points ranking” with 26, ahead of Veszprem and Barcelona (25) and Kiel (24).

14 players, who are part of the 2015 VELUX EHF FINAL4, have won the Champions League at least two times. Rutenka (5) tops this ranking ahead of Henrik Lundström (Kiel) and Christian Zeitz (Veszprem), who won the title three times with Kiel and Uros Zorman (Celje 2004, Ciudad Real 2008 and 2009). Ten more players (Morros, Nagy, Tomas, Palicka, Palmarsson, Sprenger, Jicha, Ilic, Reichmann and Karabatic) have two titles each.

19 different nations are represented in the squads of the four FINAL4 participants: GER, ESP, HUN, POL, CRO, NOR, SWE, CZE, DEN, ISL, SRB, TUN, FRA, MKD, BLR, QAT, IRI, SLO, BIH - 9 different at Kiel and Veszprem, 8 at Barcelona and 5 at Kielce.

22 goals in the 43:21 clash of Barcelona against Zagreb was the biggest margin of all matches this season so far. The 31:11 win for Barcelona in the Last 16 match against Aalborg was the biggest margin in all VELUX EHF Champions League 2014/15 matches.

27 goals was the aggregate win of Barcelona after the two Last 16 duels against Aalborg (31:11 and 29:22). It is the biggest gap since the implementation of the Last 16, before it was 22 goals in the duels between Chekhovskie Medvedi and Sarajevo (31:22, 30:17) in 2010.

33 teams representing 24 countries have been part of the VELUX EHF Champions League season 2014/15, including the qualification tournaments.

36 goals were the lowest score in all matches since the start of the group phase, when Zagreb beat Metalurg 19:17 in the group phase.

44 goals Barcelona conceded in both quarter-final matches against Zagreb, while Kielce had the second best defensive record with 51 conceded goals against Vardar.

51 matches since the start of the group phase ended with a win of the away team, 42 in the group phase, 7 in the Last 16 and two in the quarter-finals.

73 goals were scored in the match Medvedi vs Vardar (34:39) to be the highest score in this season so far.

82 matches since the start of the group phase ended with a win of the home team, 69 in the group phase, nine in the main round and four in the quarter-finals.

103 goals have been scored by Mikkel Hansen (PSG) to be current top scorer.

156 matches have been played in the VELUX EHF Champions League season so far, including qualification tournaments.

+109 goals is the impressive goal difference of Barcelona after 14 matches.

357 goals were conceded by Barcelona in their 14 matches to have the best defensive record of the four VELUX EHF FINAL 4 participants, ahead of Kiel (362)

442 goals were scored in the eight quarter-final matches, which mean an average of 55.25 after an average of 53.1 per match in the Last 16, 56.80 in the group phase and 54.75 in the qualification tournaments. So the average of all matches is 54.97 goals.

466 goals were scored by Barcelona to have the best attack of the four VELUX EHF FINAL 4 participants, ahead of Kiel (445).

8765 goals were scored so far in this VELUX EHF Champions League season, 657 in the three qualification tournaments, 6816 in the group phase, 850 in the Last 16 matches and 442 in the quarter-finals.

15,200 fans attended the quarter-final match of Zagreb vs Barcelona to be the highest number of spectators in this season so far. The four matches with the highest attendance took place in Zagreb Arena against Kolding (14,500), Paris (13,000) and Kiel (11,000).

Top teams – points overall:

26 (13 wins, 0 draws, 1 defeat): Vive Tauron Kielce

Best defensive record of the four FINAL4 participants:

357 goals conceded: FC Barcelona

Best attacking record of the four FINAL4 participants:

466 goals scored: FC Barcelona

Best goal difference of the four FINAL4 participants:

+109: FC Barcelona

VELUX EHF FINAL4 Draw

Palais Flora, Cologne, 21 April 2015

Draw Programme

11:30	VELUX EHF FINAL4 Finals Press Conference	Live TV signal
12:00	VELUX EHF FINAL4 Draw – Semi-finals	Live TV signal
12:15	Media Interviews	Live TV signal

Draw Participants

EHF/EHF Marketing GmbH
 Michael Wiederer, EHF Secretary General
 Peter Vargo, Managing Director, EHF Marketing GmbH
 David Szlezak, VELUX EHF FINAL4 Manager
 JJ Rowland, EHF Head of Media and Communications
City of Cologne Jürgen Roters, Lord Mayor of Cologne

Draw Procedure

The four teams qualifying from the Quarter-finals will be in the pot for the draw. There will be one single pot and no protection of any kind for the teams.

The teams will be drawn as follows:

Team 1 => Team 3 => Team 2 => Team 4

Semi-finals will be played: Team 1 versus Team 2 / Team 3 versus Team 4

Please note: The order of the semi-final matches will only be finalised after consulting TV partners in the days after the draw. The final playing schedule will be announced by the EHF on its website.

About the VELUX EHF FINAL4

The VELUX EHF FINAL4 is the culmination of the European club handball season: a two-day mega sport and entertainment event that has become a must-see for every handball fan around the world. Each year tens of thousands of spectators descend on the LANXESS arena in Cologne, Germany, to watch the stars of the sport and the four best men's teams in Europe compete to decide the ultimate winners of the VELUX EHF Champions League.

Introduced in the 2009/10 season, the VELUX EHF FINAL4 has quickly established itself as the European Handball Federation's flagship club event, and one of the leading events on the international sports market, attracting major international partners and sponsors and large worldwide TV audiences.

New standards in organisation and entertainment have been set by the team behind the event, led by EHF Marketing GmbH, the European Handball Federation's marketing company. More than just 'four games over two days', the VELUX EHF FINAL4 is sports and entertainment spectacular. The 2015 event will take place in Cologne's LANXESS arena on 30-31 May 2015.

VELUX EHF FINAL4 facts and figures

40,000 - spectators over two days
 2,000 - VIP guests
 350 - journalists on-site
 144 - matches have been played in the Group Phase, last 16 and quarter-finals
 22 – twenty-two edition of the EHF Champions League

VELUX EHF FINAL4 Programme

Thursday, 28 May 2015

Afternoon	Arrival of teams	Hotel RadissonBLU, Messe Kreisel 3
29 - 31 May	EHF Club Management Seminar	

Friday, 29 May 2015

Afternoon	Team training	Various venues
Afternoon	Media call	Hotel RadissonBLU, Messe Kreisel 3
18:00	Opening Party	LANXESS arena
18:00	VIP Reception (by invitation)	LANXESS arena

Saturday, 30 May 2015

9:30	Charity Golf Tournament	Golf & Country Club Velderhof
15:15	Semi-final 1	LANXESS arena
18:00	Semi-final 2	LANXESS arena
20:00	Media Get Together	Brewery, Cologne 'Altstadt'
TBC	Cologne Handball Night	

Sunday, 31 May 2015

TBC	EHF Press Conference	LANXESS arena Media Centre
15:15	Match 3/4 Place	LANXESS arena
18:00	Final	LANXESS arena

The hottest tickets in town

500 tickets have been reserved for each of the participating teams. If a team does not take up its allocation, then these tickets will be offered to the other participating teams, any remaining tickets will then go onto general sale. Club tickets will be available to purchase direct from each club.

Tickets have been in huge demand ever since they were first released in June 2014. A total of 2,000 tickets are available for the fans of the four semi-final teams, 500 for each club in all price categories. The remaining tickets will only be available to purchase directly from the four participating clubs.

Season 2014/15

○ Teams qualified for the VELUX EHF FINAL4

● Eliminated teams



FC Barcelona (ESP)



Playing hall

Palau Blaugrana

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: red and yellow
Player short: red
Goalkeeper shirt: green/grey

Dark

Player shirt: blue and red
Player short: blue
Goalkeeper shirt: black/dark red

Being favourites was no new experience to Barcelona, as they started out in Group B in September. Being Barcelona will always make the pride of Catalonia favourites, and like so many times before, they lived up to that status. An injury or two along the way as no big deal for a team who have two world class players in virtually all positions, and a few hiccups on away ground in the form of a 27:27 draw against KIF Kolding Kobenhavn and a 34:31 defeat against Orlen Wisla Plock did not really spoil the impression of a Barca team in full control.

When they were forced into a direct show-down for the group win against Kolding on the second to last matchday, they did not stumble in the Palau Blaugrana, of course, but decided the matter already in the first half, and finally winning 33:27, leaving no doubt who was the better team in the group. They continued in an impressive fashion in the Last 16 as they easily sailed past Aalborg. Barca practically clinched the quarter-final berth in the first half-time of the first leg. The task seems to be much tougher as they visited the previously indomitable arena of HC PPD Zagreb in the quarter-finals, but still managed to become the first team in the season who beat Croatian champions at home and the return leg quickly turned out to be a routine game.

Quarter-finals:

@ HC PPD Zagreb (CRO) W25:23 (14:10)
vs HC PPD Zagreb (CRO) W43:21 (23:10)

Aggregate: 68:44

Last 16

@ Aalborg Handball (DEN) W31:11 (16:5)
vs Aalborg Handball (DEN) W29:22 (14:9)

Aggregate: 60:33

GROUP B Final Table:

1. FC Barcelona	10	8	1	1	338:280 (58)	17
2. KIF Kolding Kobenhavn	10	6	2	2	292:273 (19)	14
3. Orlen Wisla Plock	10	6	1	3	288:280 (8)	13
4. SG Flensburg-Handewitt	10	6	0	4	288:277 (11)	12
5. Alingsas HK	10	1	0	9	252:298 (-46)	2
6. Besiktas MOGAZ HT	10	1	0	9	253:303 (-50)	2

Group Phase results:

(W - win, D - draw, L - loss)

@ Alingsas HK W38:28 (21:16)
vs Orlen Wisla Plock W30:25 (13:12)
vs Besiktas MOGAZ HT W35:25 (19:12)
@ KIF Kolding Kobenhavn D27:27 (16:14)
@ SG Flensburg-Handewitt W37:33 (16:16)
vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt W36:27 (14:16)
vs Alingsas HK W42:29 (18:17)
@ Orlen Wisla Plock L31:34 (15:17)
vs KIF Kolding Kobenhavn W33:27 (19:11)
@ Besiktas MOGAZ HT W29:25 (14:12)

Top scorers:

1. Kiril Lazarov (MKD)	99
2. Nikola Karabatic (FRA)	61
3. Gudjon Valur Sigurdsson (ISL)	60
4. Sjarhei Rutenka (BLR)	45
5. Victor Tomas (ESP)	43

Past achievements

VELUX EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2014/15 season): 18
Winner (7): 1995/96, 1996/97, 1997/98, 1998/99, 1999/00, 2004/05, 2010/11
Final (3): 2000/01, 2009/10, 2012/13
Semi-final (2): 2007/08, 2013/14
Quarter-final (3): 2005/06, 2006/07, 2011/12
Last 16 (1): 2003/04
Main Round (1): 2008/09

Other

EHF Cup: Winners 2002/03, Runners-up 2001/02
Cup Winners' Cup: Winners 1993/94, 1994/95

Spanish league: 22 titles (1969, 1973, 1980, 1982, 1986, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)

Spanish cup: 18 titles
Asobal cup: 9 titles

KS Vive Tauron Kielce (POL)



Playing hall

Hala M.O.S.I.R. – Legionów

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: yellow

Player short: blue

Goalkeeper shirt: blue

Dark

Player shirt: blue

Player short: blue

Goalkeeper shirt: green

The game that all Kielce supporters will remember from this season's group phase is the Round 10 encounter against Motor Zaporozhye. Kielce were trailing 10:19 at half-time, but staged an astonishing comeback in the second half to take home a 28:27 win.

This victory saw them extending their winning streak to 10 out of 10, making Kielce the only team to reach the Last 16 with a flawless record. In the 2012/13 season they had achieved the same and eventually reached the VELUX EHF FINAL4. However, Kielce's streak was far from being a walk in the park. Injuries to key players such as line player Julen Aguinagalde forced coach Talant Dujshabaev to put left back Michal Jurecki on the line, while right wing Ivan Cupic became centre back in the 27:25 away win against Aalborg in Round 5.

The perfect run came to an unexpected end on the home court in the return Last 16 leg against Montpellier, however a 31:33 defeat could not stop the Polish champions marching to the top eight of the competition. Exactly as in 2013 their road to Cologne led through Skopje, but this time they eliminated Metalurg's city rivals HC Vardar as coach Talant Dujshabaev saw off from the competition the team of his son Alex.

Quarter-final

@ HC Vardar (MKD)

W22:20 (11:11)

vs HC Vardar (MKD)

W33:31 (16:14)

Aggregate: 55:51

Last 16

@ Montpellier Agglomeration HB (FRA)

W29:25 (16:13)

vs Montpellier Agglomeration HB (FRA)

L31:33 (14:15)

Aggregate: 60:58

GROUP D Final Table:

1. KS Vive Tauron Kielce	10	10	0	0	312:271 (41)	20
2. MOL-Pick Szeged	10	6	1	3	276:264 (12)	13
3. Dunkerque HB G. Littoral	10	4	0	6	257:263 (-6)	8
4. Aalborg Handball	10	2	3	5	256:269 (-13)	7
5. HC Motor Zaporozhye	10	3	0	7	283:284 (-1)	6
6. Kadetten Schaffhausen	10	2	2	6	264:297 (-33)	6

Group Phase results:

(W - win, D - draw, L - loss)

@ Kadetten Schaffhausen W33:28 (15:14)

vs MOL-Pick Szeged W37:32 (18:17)

vs HC Motor Zaporozhye W30:26 (17:14)

@ Dunkerque HB G. Littoral W28:25 (14:12)

@ Aalborg Handball W27:25 (13:12)

vs Aalborg Handball W33:26 (18:15)

vs Kadetten Schaffhausen W33:24 (14:12)

@ MOL-Pick Szeged W27:26 (14:11)

vs Dunkerque HB G. Littoral W36:32 (19:15)

@ HC Motor Zaporozhye W28:27 (10:19)

Top scorers:

1. Karol Bielecki (POL)	76
2. Ivan Cupic (CRO)	51
3. Denis Buntic (CRO)	49
4. Michal Jurecki (POL)	44
5. Krzysztof Lijewski (POL)	31
Julen Aguinagalde (ESP)	31

Past achievements

VELUX EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2014/15 season): 12

Semi-final (1): 2012/13

Last 16 (5): 1993/94, 1994/95, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2013/14

Last 32 (2): 1996/97, 1998/99

Group Matches (3): 1999/2000, 2003/04, 2010/11

Other

Other EC records: 11 participations in other ECs

Polish league: 11 titles (1993, 1994, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2003, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014)

Polish cup: 11 titles

MKB-MVM Veszprém (HUN)



MKB-MVM Veszprém won their group in the VELUX EHF Champions League in the third year running but this time it was arguably the strongest group of the competition. Carlos Ortega's men overan the group with only one considerable hiccup (in Mannheim, where Veszprém was badly beaten) and did so with Laszlo Nagy absent from four games.

Summer signing Roland Mikler has been outstanding and so are Christian Zeitz, who filled in for László Nagy without a problem and Máté Lékai also had some great games for the defending Hungarian champion.

They cruised to the quarter-finals after two convincing victories over Naturhouse La Rioja, which also gave their head coach Ortega a good opportunity to rest some of his key players. In the last knock-out stage before the FINAL4 they met again with PSG Handball and although they were limited to a draw in the away game this time, in front of their 5,000 vociferous fans in the second leg they left no doubt who will make it to the top four.



Playing hall

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Capacity: 5,020

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white
Player short: white
Goalkeeper shirt: grey

Dark

Player shirt: red
Player short: red
Goalkeeper shirt: black

Quarter-final

@ PSG Handball (FRA) T24:24 (10:12)
vs PSG Handball (FRA) W34:28 (16:11)

Aggregate score: 58:52

Last 16

@ Naturhouse La Rioja (ESP) W31:23 (15:10)
vs Naturhouse La Rioja (ESP) W37:31 (18:15)

Aggregate: 68:54

GROUP C Final Table:

1. MKB-MVM Veszprém	10	9	0	1	300:262 (38)	18
2. HC Vardar	10	7	1	2	313:289 (24)	15
3. Rhein-Neckar Löwen	10	6	0	4	302:282 (20)	12
4. Montpellier Agg. HB	10	3	2	5	293:317 (-24)	8
5. RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko	10	3	0	7	284:293 (-9)	6
6. Chekhovskie Medvedi	10	0	1	9	300:349 (-49)	1

Group Phase results:

(W - win, D - draw, L - loss)

@ Chekhovskie Medvedi W37:32 (19:17)
vs Rhein-Neckar Löwen W27:24 (10:11)
vs Montpellier Aggl. HB W30:29 (14:11)
@ RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko W24:21 (14:9)
@ HC Vardar W24:23 (13:11)
vs HC Vardar W32:24 (16:10)
vs Chekhovskie Medvedi W38:31 (17:16)
@ Rhein-Neckar Löwen L25:32 (10:18)
vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko W29:26 (15:10)
@ Montpellier Aggl. HB W34:20 (14:9)

Top scorers:

1. Momir Ilic (SRB)	101
2. Renato Sulic (CRO)	54
3. Christian Zeitz (GER)	35
4. Gasper Marguc (SLO)	35
5. Laszlo Nagy (HUN)	33

Past achievements

VELUX EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2014/15 season): 20
Final (1): 2001/02
Semi-final (3): 2002/03, 2005/06, 2013/14
Quarter-final (9): 1997/98, 1998/99, 1999/00, 2003/04, 2004/05, 2006/07, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2012/13
Last 16 (2): 1993/94, 2010/11, 2011/12
Group Phase (3): 1994/95, 1995/96, 2007/08

Other

Cup Winners' Cup: Winners 2007/08, Runners-up 1996/97

Hungarian league: 22 titles (1985, 1986, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014)

Hungarian cup: 23 titles

THW Kiel (GER)



The German champions cruised into the knockout stage of Europe's premier club competition with an impressive nine wins out of 10, having suffered their only defeat in the opening round when they lost 27:25 at HC PPD Zagreb.

The upset seemed to have spurred the treble former VELUX EHF Champions League winners into action as they demonstrated trademark high-tempo handball for the remainder of the group stage campaign. Especially impressive was their double win over an expensively assembled Paris Saint-Germain Handball within a week, as they dislodged the French side despite the protracted absence of prolific left back Filip Jicha who had undergone ankle surgery before the competition started.

Nothing could reveal Kiel's strength in every department better than the Last 16 tie with SG Flensburg-Handewitt as the injury depleted defending champions stood no chance against their regional rivals. In the quarter-finals they suffered the second defeat of the season at hands of Szeged, but quickly erased the deficit in the second leg.



Playing hall

Sparkassen-Arena-Kiel

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white
Player short: white
Goalkeeper shirt: green

Dark

Player shirt: black
Player short: black
Goalkeeper shirt: red

Quarter-final

@ MOL-Pick Szeged (HUN) L29:31 (15:17)

vs MOL-Pick Szeged (HUN) W31:23 (18:10)

Aggregate: 60:54

Last 16

@ SG Flensburg-Handewitt (GER) W30:21 (16:9)

vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt (GER) W33:28 (16:10)

Aggregate: 63:49

GROUP A Final Table:

1. THW Kiel	10	9	0	1	322:259 (63)	18
2. PSG Handball	10	6	0	4	297:266 (31)	12
3. HC PPD Zagreb	10	6	0	4	241:248 (-7)	12
4. Naturhouse La Rioja	10	4	1	5	305:305 (0)	9
5. HC Meshkov Brest	10	2	2	6	267:293 (-26)	6
6. HC Metalurg	10	1	1	8	233:294 (-61)	3

Group Phase results:

(W - win, D - draw, L - loss)

@ HC PPD Zagreb	L25:27 (13:9)
vs Naturhouse La Rioja	W34:32 (20:16)
@ HC Meshkov Brest	W25:24 (11:11)
@ HC Metalurg	W 42:27 (22:15)
@ PSG Handball	W27:25 (12:13)
vs PSG Handball	W33:29 (14:15)
vs HC PPD Zagreb	W34:27 (16:16)
@ Naturhouse La Rioja	W34:30 (14:11)
vs HC Metalurg	W35:16 (17:3)
vs HC Meshkov Brest	W33:22 (17:11)

Top scorers:

1. Marko Vujin (SRB)	69
2. Joan Cañellas Reixach (ESP)	48
3. Domagoj Duvnjak (CRO)	48
4. Steffen Weinhold (GER)	46
5. Dominik Klein (GER)	37

Past achievements

VELUX EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2014/15 season): 18
Winners (3): 2006/07, 2009/10, 2011/12
Runners-up (4): 1999/2000, 2007/08, 2008/09, 2013/14
Semi-final (3): 1996/1997, 2000/01, 2012/13
Quarter-final (5): 1998/99, 2002/03, 2004/05, 2005/06, 2010/11
Group Phase (2): 1994/95, 1995/96

Other

EHF Cup: Winners 1997/98, 2001/02, 2003/04

German league: 19 titles (1957, 1962, 1963, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014)
German cup: 9 titles

Potential head-to-heads in the EC

FC Barcelona vs KS Vive Tauron Kielce 2-1-0 (89:77) 5:1

20.11.2010	KS Vive Targi Kielce vs FC Barcelona Borges, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	26:33 (11:18)
27.11.2010	FC Barcelona Borges vs KS Vive Targi Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	28:28 (15:12)
01.06.2013	KS Vive Targi Kielce vs FC Barcelona Intersport, VELUX EHF Champions League FINAL4 – Semi-final	23:28 (10:13)

FC Barcelona vs MKB-MVM Veszprém 10-1-4 (434:399) 21:9

13.04.1986	VAEV Eritök SC vs FC Barcelona, Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final	27:25 (13:12)
19.04.1986	FC Barcelona vs VAEV Eritök SC, Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final	29:19 (13:10)
21.02.1998	Fotex KC Veszprém vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	33:28 (19:13)
01.03.1998	FC Barcelona vs Fotex KC Veszprém, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	32:27 (13:15)
31.01.1999	Fotex KC Veszprém vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	29:29 (14:15)
07.02.1999	FC Barcelona vs Fotex KC Veszprém, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	29:24 (16:11)
14.11.1999	Fotex KC Veszprém vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	23:31 (13:16)
04.12.1999	FC Barcelona vs Fotex KC Veszprém, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	25:21 (13:13)
13.12.2003	FC Barcelona vs Fotex KC Veszprém, VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16	33:29 (18:15)
20.12.2003	Fotex KC Veszprém vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16	31:26 (16:14)
25.04.2010	FC Barcelona Borges vs MKB Veszprém KC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	33:27 (17:15)
01.05.2010	MKB Veszprém KC vs FC Barcelona Borges, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	33:34 (19:15)
27.03.2011	FC Barcelona Borges vs MKB Veszprém KC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16	28:21 (14:13)
02.04.2011	MKB Veszprém KC vs FC Barcelona Borges, VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16	30:26 (15:8)
01.06.2014	FC Barcelona vs MKB-MVM Veszprém, VELUX EHF Champions League FINAL4 – Place 3/4	26:25 (9:10)

FC Barcelona vs THW Kiel 9-1-9 (570:578) 19:19

22.04.2000	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Final	28:25 (15:14)
29.04.2000	FC Barcelona vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Final	29:24 (15:12)
25.03.2001	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Semi-final	28:24 (12:11)
31.03.2001	FC Barcelona vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Semi-final	33:28 (14:11)
20.04.2002	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona, EHF Cup – Final	36:29 (19:13)
28.04.2002	FC Barcelona vs THW Kiel, EHF Cup – Final	28:24 (14:08)
05.03.2005	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	30:25 (13:14)
12.03.2005	FC Barcelona vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	33:27 (17:14)
06.04.2008	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Semi-final	41:31 (20:15)
13.04.2008	FC Barcelona vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Semi-final	44:37 (19:20)
19.10.2008	FC Barcelona Borges vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C	27:31 (15:15)
23.11.2008	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona Borges, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C	33:26 (16:11)
11.10.2009	FC Barcelona Borges vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	27:30 (17:20)
14.02.2010	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona Borges, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	30:32 (15:17)
30.05.2010	FC Barcelona Borges vs THW Kiel GER, VELUX EHF Champions League FINAL4 – Final	34:36 (20:17)
03.10.2010	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona Borges, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	28:28 (14:10)
05.12.2010	FC Barcelona Borges vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	32:29 (13:15)
24.04.2011	FC Barcelona Borges vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	27:25 (14:15)
01.05.2011	THW Kiel vs FC Barcelona Borges, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	33:36 (15:19)

KS Vive Tauron Kielce vs MKB-MVM Veszprém 1-0-5 (158:187) 2:10

18.10.2003	Fotex KC Veszprém vs KS 'Vive' Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group G	31:24 (21:12)
15.11.2003	KS 'Vive' Kielce vs Fotex KC Veszprém, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group G	30:41 (19:19)
17.10.2009	MKB Veszprém KC vs KS Vive Targi Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	33:26 (16:11)
06.03.2010	KS Vive Targi Kielce vs MKB Veszprém KC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	29:32 (14:14)
02.10.2011	KS Vive Targi Kielce vs MKB Veszprém KC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	25:29 (10:17)
11.02.2012	MKB Veszprém KC vs KS Vive Targi Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	21:24 (13:12)

Potential head-to-heads in the EC

KS Vive Tauron Kielce vs THW Kiel 3-1-3 (203:214) 7:7

21.02.1998	Jskra Ceresit Kielce vs THW Kiel, EHF Cup – Quarter-final	28:27 (16:12)
01.03.1998	THW Kiel vs Jskra Ceresit Kielce, EHF Cup – Quarter-final	31:26 (16:11)
10.10.2010	THW Kiel vs KS Vive Targi Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	33:29 (16:13)
06.03.2011	KS Vive Targi Kielce vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	27:36 (11:18)
02.06.2013	KS Vive Targi Kielce vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League FINAL4 – Place 3/4	31:30 (19:12)
19.10.2013	KS Vive Targi Kielce vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	34:29 (17:11)
16.02.2014	THW Kiel vs KS Vive Targi Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	28:28 (13:16)

MKB-MVM Veszprém vs THW Kiel 4-0-6 (287:299) 8:12

24.01.1996	THW Kiel vs Fotex Veszprém SE, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	28:25 (17:15)
13.02.1996	Fotex Veszprém SE vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	23:21 (11:09)
25.10.2002	THW Kiel vs Fotex KC Veszprém, European Championship for Club Teams – Semi-final	23:31 (11:15)
24.02.2007	MKB Veszprém KC vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	39:36 (19:20)
01.03.2007	THW Kiel vs MKB Veszprém KC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	39:32 (22:15)
18.10.2012	MKB Veszprém KC vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	31:30 (14:15)
17.02.2013	THW Kiel vs MKB Veszprém KC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	32:21 (17:13)
21.04.2013	THW Kiel vs MKB Veszprém KC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	32:31 (15:16)
27.04.2013	MKB Veszprém KC vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	28:29 (14:12)
31.05.2014	MKB-MVM Veszprém vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League FINAL4 – Semi-final	26:29 (13:13)

Current top scorers 2014/15

1	Hansen Mikkel (DEN)	Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA)	103
2	Ilic Momir (SRB)	MKB-MVM Veszprem (HUN)	101
3	Lazarov Kiril (MKD)	FC Barcelona (ESP)	99
4	Dibirov Timur (RUS)	HC Vardar (MKD)	78
5	Balogh Zsolt (HUN)	MOL-Pick Szeged (HUN)	76
	Bielecki Karol (POL)	KS Vive Tauron Kielce (POL)	76
7	Karacic Igor (CRO)	HC Vardar (MKD)	74
8	Dujshabaev Alex (ESP)	HC Vardar (MKD)	73
9	Gajic Dragan (SLO)	Montpellier Agglomeration HB (FRA)	71
10	Bombac Dean (SLO)	MOL-Pick Szeged (HUN)	69
	Vujin Marko (SRB)	THW Kiel (GER)	69
12	Spellerberg Bo Dybdal (DEN)	KIF Kolding Kobenhavn (DEN)	66
13	Gensheimer Uwe (GER)	Rhein-Neckar Löwen (GER)	65
	Horvat Zlatko (CRO)	HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb (CRO)	65
15	Dereven Alexander (RUS)	Chekhovskie Medvedi (RUS)	62
	Mogensen Thomas (DEN)	SG Flensburg-Handewitt (GER)	62
17	Karabatic Nikola (FRA)	FC Barcelona (ESP)	61
18	Sigurdsson Gudjon Valur (ISL)	FC Barcelona (ESP)	60
19	Zhitnikov Dmitry (RUS)	Chekhovskie Medvedi (RUS)	59
20	Kavticnik Vid (SLO)	Montpellier Agglomeration HB (FRA)	57
	Liniger Manuel (SUI)	Kadetten Schaffhausen (SUI)	57
22	Butto Baptiste (FRA)	Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral (FRA)	56
23	Onufryienko Sergiy (UKR)	HC Motor Zaporozhye (UKR)	55
24	Sulic Renato (CRO)	MKB-MVM Veszprem (HUN)	54

Bold text indicates players of teams still in the competition.

Past Winners

2014	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	(GER)
2013	HSV Hamburg	(GER)
2012	THW Kiel	(GER)
2011	FC Barcelona Borges	(ESP)
2010	THW Kiel	(GER)
2009	BM Ciudad Real	(ESP)
2008	BM Ciudad Real	(ESP)
2007	THW Kiel	(GER)
2006	BM Ciudad Real	(ESP)
2005	FC Barcelona-Cifec	(ESP)
2004	RK Celje Pivovarna Laško	(SLO)
2003	Montpellier HB	(FRA)
2002	SC Magdeburg	(GER)
2001	Portland San Antonio	(ESP)
2000	FC Barcelona	(ESP)
1999	FC Barcelona	(ESP)
1998	FC Barcelona	(ESP)
1997	FC Barcelona	(ESP)
1996	FC Barcelona	(ESP)
1995	Elgorriaga Bidasoa	(ESP)
1994	TEKA Santander	(ESP)

All-star team voting opens

The time has come again for all handball fans to have their say on the selection of the greatest stars of the season. Following the huge success in the past two seasons with more than 20,000 handball fans taking part in online votes for the VELUX EHF Champions League All-Star Team, the new opportunity to choose the star selection of the European top flight is here again.

In its third edition, the All-Star Team vote will also ask the fans to cast their online ballots for the two new positions as the the best coach and the best young player (born in 1992 or younger) have been added to the previous eight. In another developments the selection for each position has been extended from four to five names.

Players from 19 clubs and from 17 nations in the current season have been selected. The vote will be open until Sunday 24 May 2015. The fans' choice for the All-star team will be announced during the VELUX EHF FINAL4 event in Cologne on 30/31 May 2015.

The players nominated for the 2014/15 season are:

GOALKEEPER

Filip Ivic (CRO)
Roland Mikler (HUN)
Thierry Omeyer (FRA)
Arpad Sterbik (ESP)
Danijel Saric (BIH)

HC PPD Zagreb (CRO)
MKB-MVM Veszprem (HUN)
PSG Handball (FRA)
HC Vardar (MKD)
FC Barcelona (ESP)

LEFT WING

Timur Dibirov (RUS)
Uwe Gensheimer (GER)
Samuel Honrubia
Juanin Garcia (ESP)
Gudjon Valur Sigurdsson (ISL)

HC Vardar (MKD)
Rhein-Neckar Löwen (GER)
PSG Handball (FRA)
Naturhouse La Rioja (ESP)
FC Barcelona (ESP)



LEFT BACK

Momir Ilic (SRB)
William Accambray (FRA)
Karol Bielecki (POL)
Bo Dybdal Spellerberg (DEN)
Nikola Karabatic (FRA)

MKB-MVM Veszprém (HUN)
PSG Handball (FRA)
Vive Tauron Kielce (POL)
KIF Kolding Kobenhavn (DEN)
FC Barcelona (ESP)

CENTRE BACK

Mikkel Hansen (DEN)
Thomas Mogensen (DEN)
Igor Karacic (CRO)
Dean Bombac (SLO)
Joan Cañellas (ESP)

PSG Handball (FRA)
SG Flensburg-Handewitt (GER)
HC Vardar (MKD)
MOL-Pick Szeged (HUN)
THW Kiel (GER)

LINE PLAYER

Kamil Syprzak (POL)
Renato Sulic (CRO)
Julen Aguinalalde (ESP)
Patrick Wiencek (GER)
Tolga Özbahar (TUR)

Orlen Wisla Plock (POL)
MKB-MVM Veszprem (HUN)
Vive Tauron Kielce (POL)
THW Kiel (GER)
Besiktas MOGAZ HT (TUR)

RIGHT BACK

Kiril Lazarov (MKD)
Zsolt Balogh (HUN)
Marko Vujin (SRB)
Alexander Petersson (ISL)
Kim Andersson (SWE)

FC Barcelona (ESP)
MOL-Pick Szeged (HUN)
THW Kiel (GER)
Rhein-Neckar Löwen (GER)
KIF Kolding Kobenhavn (DEN)

RIGHT WING

Dragan Gajic (SLO)
Zlatko Horvat (CRO)
Valentin Ghionea (ROU)
Victor Tomas (ESP)
Patrick Groetzki (GER)

Montpellier Agglomeration HB (FRA)
HC PPD Zagreb (CRO)
Orlen Wisla Plock (POL)
FC Barcelona (ESP)
Rhein-Neckar Löwen

DEFENDER

Piotr Grabarczyk (POL)
Rene Toft Hansen (DEN)
Lars Jörgensen (DEN)
Viran Morros (ESP)
Jakov Gojun (CRO)

Vive Tauron Kielce (POL)
THW Kiel (GER)
KIF Kolding Kobenhavn (DEN)
FC Barcelona (ESP)
PSG Handball (FRA)

YOUNG PLAYER (1992 and younger)

Alexander Dereven (RUS)
Sander Sagosen (NOR)
Alex Dujšebaev (ESP)
Blaz Janc (SLO)
Theophile Causse (FRA)

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Aalborg Handball (DEN)
HC Vardar (MKD)
Celje Pivovarna Lasko (SLO)
Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral (FRA)

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Raul Gonzalez (ESP)
Juan Pastor (ESP)
Veselin Vujovic (MNE)
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