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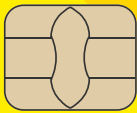


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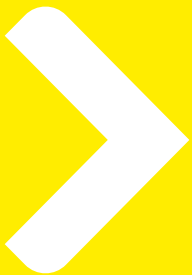
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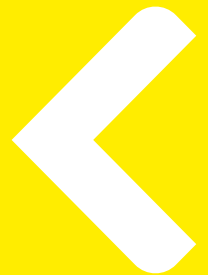
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Foreword EHF President

More teams, more thrills in new-look EHF Champions League Men!

24 clubs are on the starting block for the EHF Champions League Men 2026/27, as a brand-new race for the coveted title begins — new teams taking on the powerhouses of Europe, a new competition format bringing more obstacles on the Road to Cologne, a new chance for the ultimate victory.

As has been the tradition for the last 17 years, the season will culminate with the EHF FINAL4 Men. It will once again be Barça aiming to reclaim the title after extending their record of top-tier trophies to 12 in 2025/26. But will they be among the four top sides, the semi-finalists, that make it to Cologne?

The changed format of the competition means there are more phases to overcome in order to qualify. The season begins with the group phase, which holds the promise of increased drama as the adaptation from two groups of eight to six groups of four makes every match count all the more. Only the top two sides in each group continue to the main round.

Taking group A as an example, the finalists of the last two seasons, Füchse Berlin, One Veszprém HC, targeting a return to Cologne; FC Porto, coming up from the EHF European League, where they were knocked out by eventual champions MT Melsungen in the quarter-finals; and RK Partizan AdmiralBet, returning to the top flight after a 13-year absence, will deliver a competitive contest for the next stage.

The format means there will be fewer chances to secure progression, but also more opportunity to cause upsets. One unexpected win or one unpredicted loss has the potential to turn a group on its head.

The main round will feature two groups of six and bring the fight for the quarter-finals. The teams ranked first to fourth head into the only knockout stage prior to the EHF FINAL4 Men — the last obstacle on the Road to Cologne.

Unlike previous seasons, no team earns the right to skip any knockout games based on their performance in the groups. Which four sides make it to Cologne will depend only on performance on the decisive matches, opening the door for the shocks, the end-of-season heroics, the grabbing of that elusive chance for glory that waits only in the final stages of the season.

We look forward to a competitive season as the EHF Champions League Men enters a new era.

Yours in sport,

Michael Wiederer
EHF President



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Aalborg Håndbold

Danmark



1	Niklas Landin
2	Anton Lindskog
3	Lukas Nilsson
4	Patrick Wiesmach
5	Sander Sagosen
7	Thomas Arnoldsen
8	Vetle Rønningen
9	Patrick H. Anderson
11	Simon Hald
12	Fabian Norsten
14	Mads Hoxer

17	Alexandre Blonz
18	Tobias Nielsen
19	Magnus Landin
20	Felix Möller
21	Juri Knorr
23	Magnus Norlyk
25	Marinus Munk

Cheftræner Simon Dahl
Ass. træner Henrik Kronborg

HC Zagreb

Croatia



4	Matwej Barbashynski
7	Petar Topic
8	Diano Neris Cesko
11	Giorgi Tskhovrebadze
14	Marko Mamic
16	Sandro Mestric
17	Manuel Strlek
18	Igor Karasic
21	Davor Gavric
22	Zlatko Rauzan
23	Ivano Pavlovic
26	Haris Sulevic
30	Gleb Kalarash
31	Abdelraham Ali Sayed Abdou

33	Jovica Nikolic
47	Ihar Bialiauski
57	Filip Glavas
78	Stanislau Sadouski
81	Aleksa Tufegdzic
99	Urh Kastelic

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