



# MEDIA GUIDE

EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE WOMEN 2023/24 GROUP PHASE

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# GENERAL



The summer holiday season is over and the best clubs in Europe are ready to return to the court: Welcome to the EHF Champions League Women 2023/24! Together we are opening a new decade in the competition's history as the continental top flight enters its 31st season.

What a journey it has been since the start in 1993/94... so many exciting matches, so many big stars, so many great stories in all those 30 years.

Last season fitted perfectly in that picture, as the EHF Champions League Women 2022/23 provided us with top-class excitement during nine

months, culminating in a fantastic EHF FINAL4 Women 2023 in Budapest, where titleholders Vipers Kristiansand successfully defended their trophy for the second straight time in front of the 20,022 spectators, setting an all-time attendance record for women's club handball.

So, here we are! The road to the magnificent MVM Dome in Budapest starts as soon as the group phase throws off on 9 and 10 September 2023. All the teams know that, right from the start, every point counts in the race to the play-offs, the quarter-finals and, ultimately, the EHF FINAL4 Women 2024. Vipers start

their journey in group B, where they meet Scandinavian neighbours Team Esbjerg and Ikast Håndbold, former champions Krim Mercator Ljubljana, the French powerhouse from Metz, CS Rapid Bucuresti, Vipers' rivals from last season's final, FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria and the newcomers from KGHM MKS Zagłębie Lubin.

The perennial Hungarian title contenders and five-time champions Györi Audi ETO KC will play in group A together with the 2016 trophy winners CSM Bucuresti, EHF European League 2021/22 dominators SG BBM Bietigheim, 2021 finalists Brest Bretagne Handball, two-time champions WHC Buducnost

BEMAX, Odense Håndbold and two returnees to the premier club competition - IK Sävehof from Sweden and DVSC Schaeffler from Hungary.

The format has not changed from last season: All matches will be played on Saturdays (at 16:00 and 18:00 CE(S)T) and Sundays (at 14:00 and 16:00 CE(S)T) again, the two best-ranked teams from each group will advance directly to the quarter-finals, while the teams finishing between third and sixth will first proceed to the play-offs.



## DARE TO RISE

After the success of the 30th anniversary season digital campaign, 'Handmade History', EHF Marketing has launched a new campaign for the upcoming EHF Champions League season. The 360-degree campaign will be seen across all fields of the competition with the slogan 'Dare to Rise'.

Dare to Rise will inspire players and fans to overcome challenges, face their fears, and reach their full potential. It encourages them to step out of their comfort zone, set their goals higher, and push themselves beyond their perceived limits.





## STAY IN TOUCH WITH EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE WOMEN

Newsletter, app, social media – fans have the opportunity to follow the EHF Champions League Women and their favourite teams on multiple digital channels!

### EHFCL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Subscribers of the EHFCL Weekly newsletter receive a fresh slice of the latest news directly to their inbox every Friday during the season. From exclusive interviews to a light-hearted look at handball in the Timeout section, EHFCL Weekly is the perfect way to end the working week and start the weekend. It includes the popular “This is me” feature, which this season will profile some of the game’s top active players.

<https://go.eurohandball.com/ehfcl>

### HOME OF HANDBALL APP

The dedicated Home of Handball app is available on iOS and Android. It unites all of Europe’s major handball competitions – club as well as national teams – in one place. The app allows each user to completely individualise his or her experience by selecting their favourite club and/or favourite competition.

<https://www.eurohandball.com/en/services/the-home-of-handball-app/>

### FOLLOW, COMMENT, SHARE

Of course, you can also join the conversation and engage with the EHFCL family on social media. The EHF Champions League accounts give fans a steady stream of sharable and engaging content, keeping them informed on all the latest results and news from handball’s top flight. In addition to Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram, the EHF’s newest channels, Twitch and TikTok, continue to grow.

The weekly show “The Spin” will return this season with a regular EHF Champions League presence showcasing the best of the competition, while the Home of Handball TikTok channel showcases quirky, creative, and viral video content.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ehf.champions.league>

X: <https://twitter.com/ehfcl>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/TheHomeofHandball>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/ehfcl/>

Twitch: <https://www.twitch.tv/homeofhandball>

TikTok: <https://www.tiktok.com/@homeofhandball?lang=en>Digital channels





## *MOTW showcases the best of the best*

MOTW – when these four letters pop up next to a match, fans are in for a special treat. The Match of the Week (MOTW) is back for the 2023/24 season of the EHF Champions League Women as well as the Machineseeker EHF Champions League.

Every round one match has the honour of shining in the spotlight and carrying the title of Match of the Week. Across all channels fans are treated to very special coverage that will bring the action even closer to everyone watching around the world.

On match days and during the week, fans should pay the EHFCL social media channels a visit to ensure they get the most out of the content.





## WHERE TO WATCH EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE WOMEN

Broadcasters will beam the EHF Champions League Women 2023/24 group phase matches into fans' homes in over 30 countries.

Live broadcasters have been confirmed for nations around Europe with fans in those countries not covered able to access the EHF's on-demand platform, [EHFTV](#).

The coverage means fans will be able to keep track of their favourite teams as they progress through the 14 group phase matches ahead.

The general approach of EHFTV remains, offering the best handball content for free. This approach is complemented with the option to register to the portal for free. This registration gives handball fans the option to watch games live and on-demand, but also allows fans to improve and

personalise their fan experience during the season – and all of that for free.

On EHFTV, matches from every EHF competition are available, complemented with highlights, the best goals and saves and plenty of additional content created exclusively for the portal. Since 2020 the new EHFTV has

been designed to be fully adaptable to all devices, regardless of whether fans are at home or on the go, the best handball action is accessible any time and from anywhere.

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club directly on their registered account. These features permit all users to find, select and enjoy the best handball in an easy manner.

Furthermore, the state-of-the-art video player, which also includes a multi-screen feature,

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whenever it is played.

Join EHFTV and get ready for a new handball era.

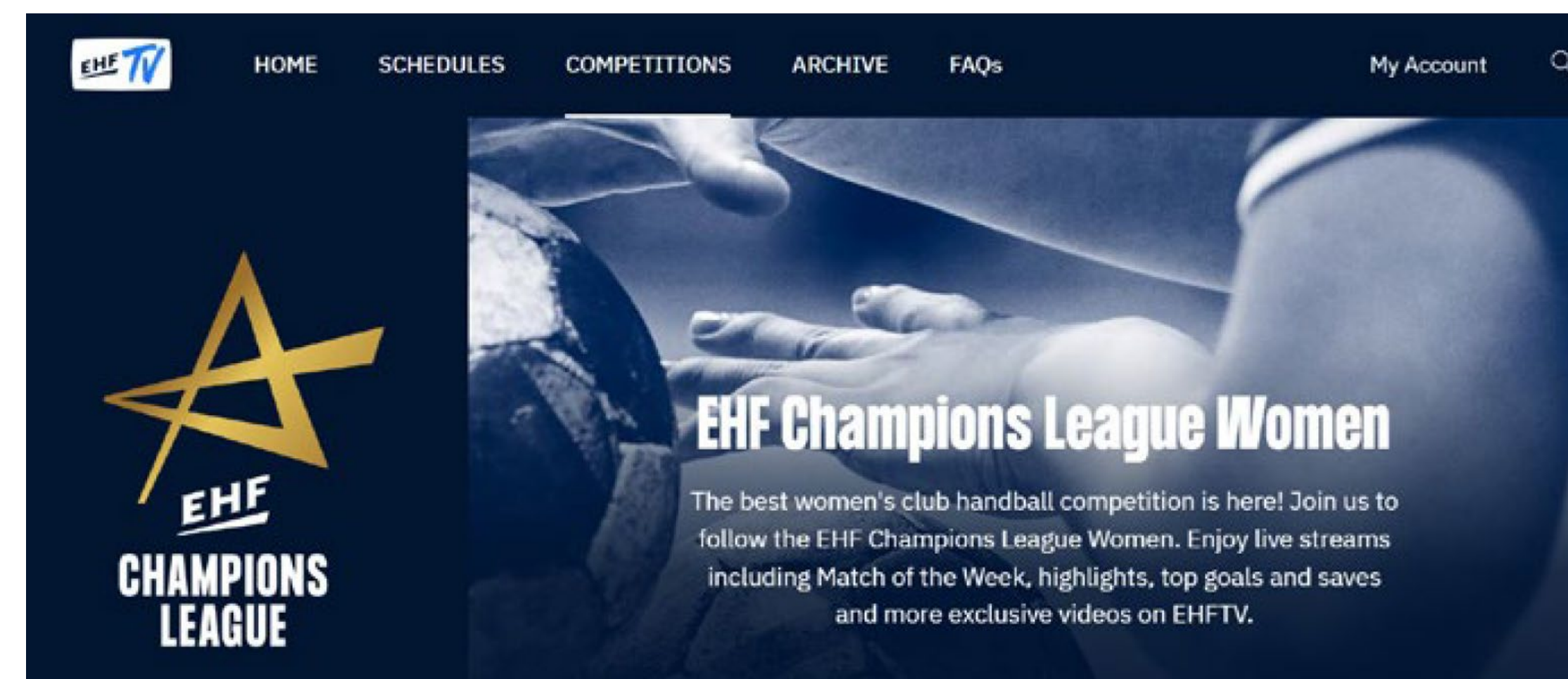
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The OTT portal of the EHF and EHF Marketing, EHFTV has established itself over the past decade as a meeting point for all handball fans.

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**BIH** – Arena Sport

**CRO** – Arena Sport

**CAN** – DAZN (EHF FINAL4)

**CZE** – AMC

**DEN** – Infront / B2C OTT

**ESP** – DAZN

**FRA** – Eurosport

**GEO** – Silknet

**GER** – DAZN

**GER** – DYN

**HUN** – AMC

**ISR** – SportTV

**ITA** – tbd

**JPN** – DAZN (EHF FINAL4)

**KOS** – Arena Sport

**MENA** – tbd

**MKD** – Arena Sport

**MNE** – Arena Sport

**NED** – Ziggo (EHF FINAL4)

**NOR** – Infront / B2C OTT

**POL** – Eurosport

**POR** – Sport TV

**ROU** – Orange Sport

**ROU** – Prima Sport

**ROU** – Digi Sport

**SRB** – Arena Sport

**SLO** – Arena Sport

**SUI** – DAZN

**SVK** – AMC

**SWE** – Infront / B2C OTT

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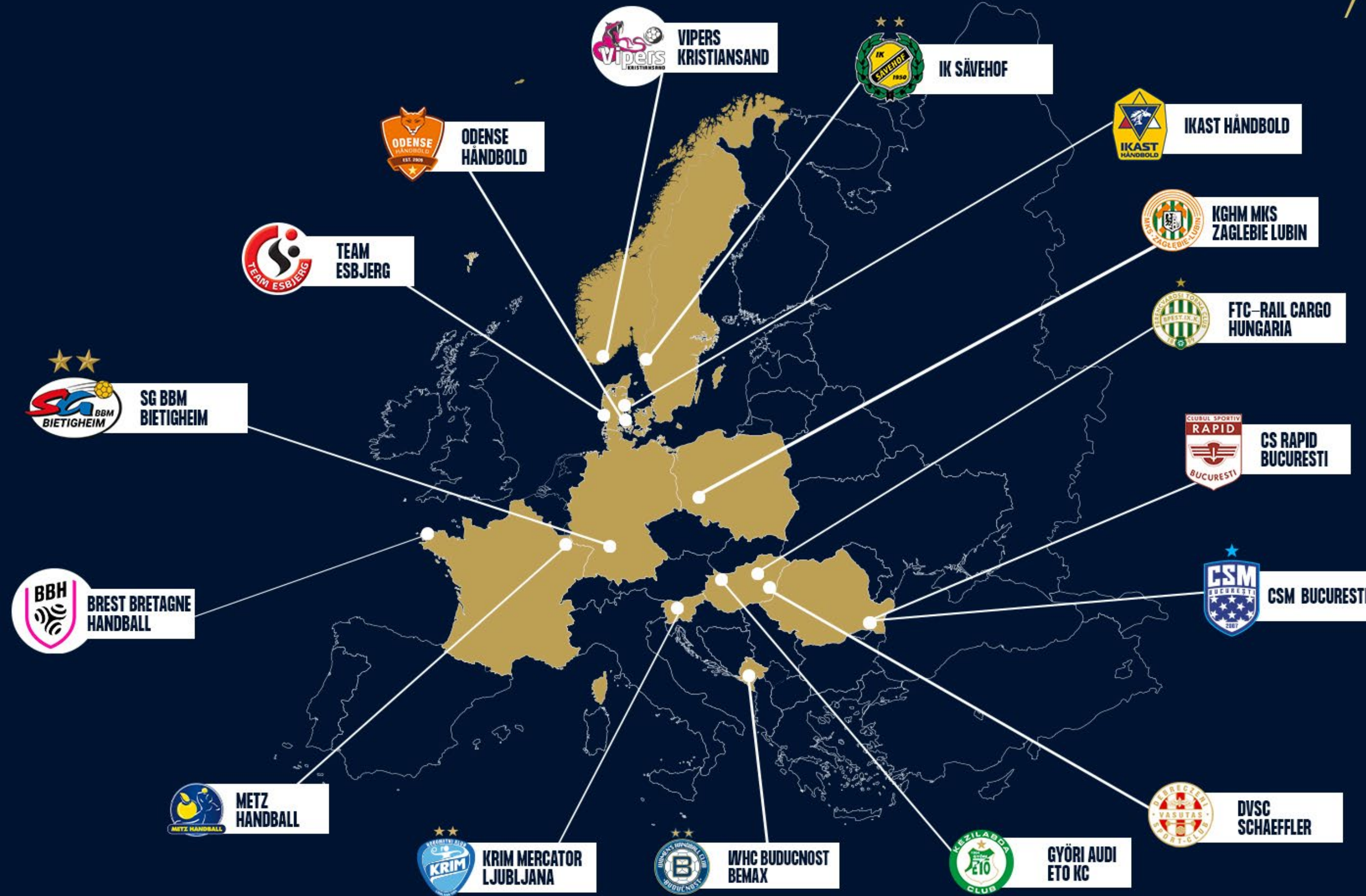
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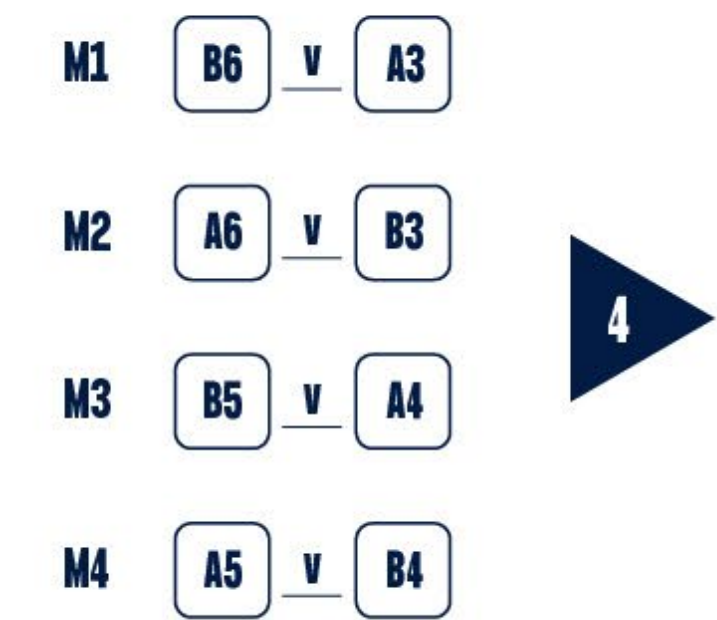
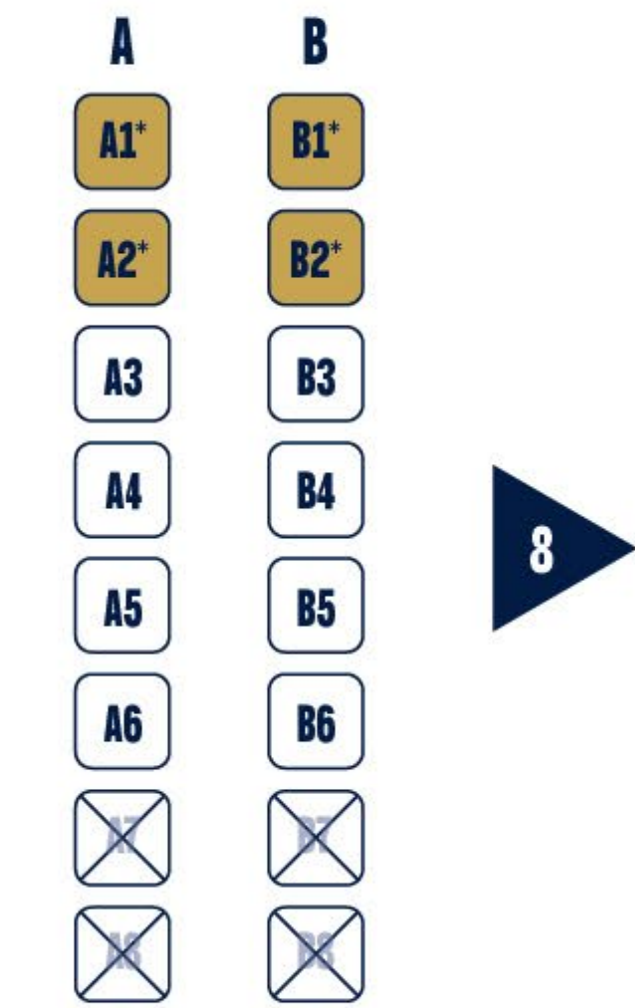
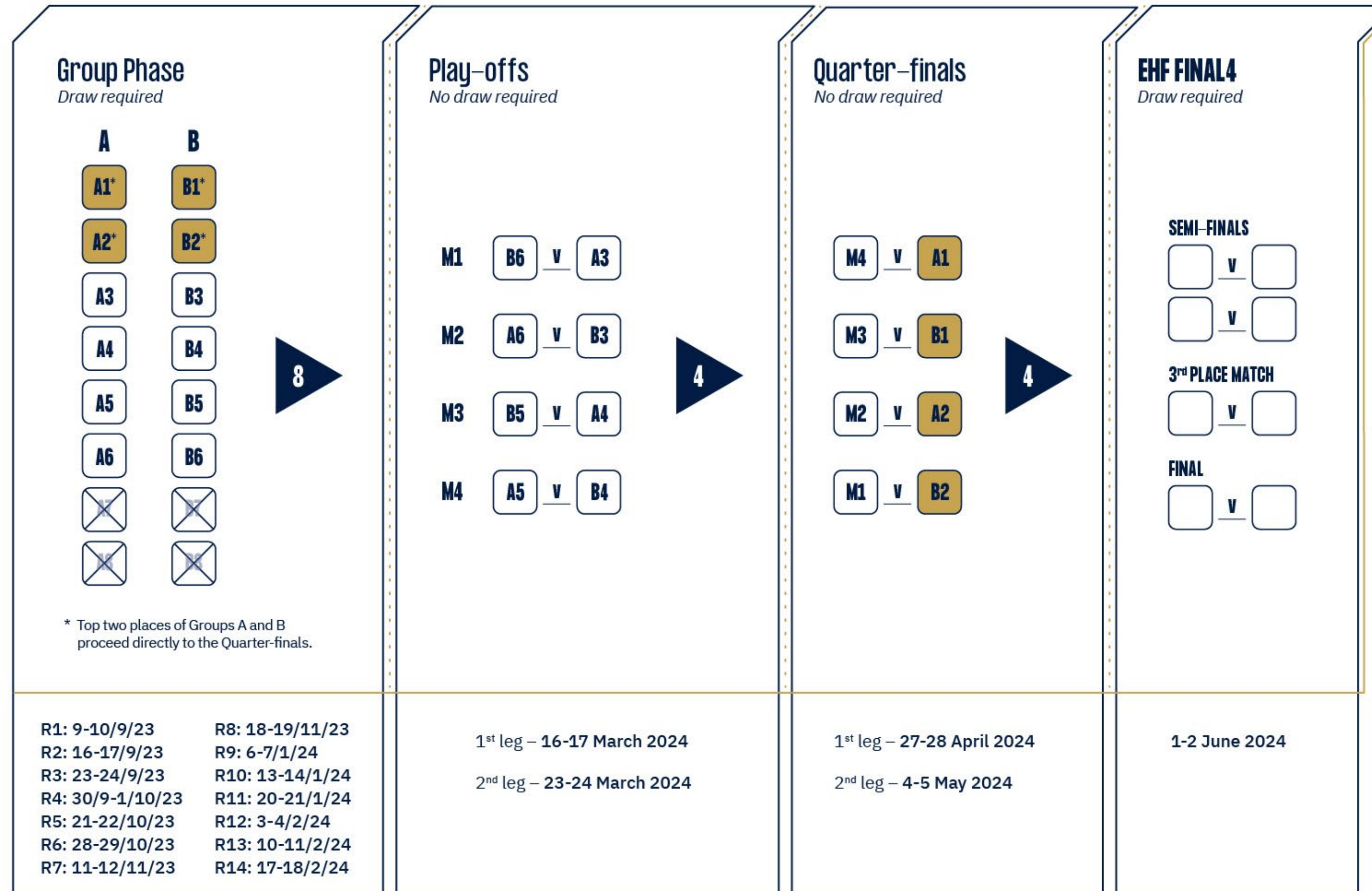




# EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE WOMEN

## 2023/24 SEASON

Playing system and dates



\* Top two places of Groups A and B proceed directly to the Quarter-finals.

## Debutants, record winners, top scorers and new coaches

Two teams from one city, one debutant, one seven-time winner, five former or current champions and 16 teams from 10 countries - those are only some numbers ahead of the 2023/24 Women's EHF Champions League season throw-off. Check out many more facts and figures here.

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### ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE THE GROUP PHASE

**1** player has won the EHF Champions League seven times, and is now aiming for her eighth trophy: Vipers goalkeeper Katrine Lunde, who took the title with Viborg (2009, 2010), Györ (2013, 2014) and Vipers (2021, 2022, 2023). Lunde was named best goalkeeper of the 2022/23 season at the EHF Excellence Awards.

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teams have been part of all nine EHF FINAL4 tournaments. Record winners Györi Audi ETO KC top the ranking with eight appearances, six final participations and four trophies. The only time they missed the event was in 2015.

**1** city is represented by two teams, as in the previous season: Bucharest, by CSM and Rapid Bucuresti.

**1** debutant is among the 16 teams taking part the group phase: DVSC Schaeffler from the Hungarian city of Debrecen. Danish side Ikast Handbold played in the Champions League under their previous name FC Midtjylland until 2018.

**1** draw only is needed before the EHF FINAL4 Women, the one for the semi-finals. The remaining rounds towards the pinnacle event are decided by the final ranking of the group phase.

**1** - for the first time since the implementation of the EHF FINAL4 in Budapest, two teams from the same

country were part of it in 2023: Györ and FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria from Hungary, and they both lost to Vipers Kristiansand.

**2** different teams so far have defended the trophy at the EHF FINAL4 in Budapest: Györ, winners in 2017, 2018 and 2019; and current defending champions Vipers, winners in 2021, 2022 and 2023. By winning the 2019 edition of the tournament, Györ were the first ever women's side to win the Champions League three times in a row, now followed by Vipers.

**2** clubs each from three countries have won the EHF Champions League: Norwegian sides Larvik and Vipers, Hungarian sides Györ and Dunaferr and Danish clubs Slagelse and Viborg. The remaining countries have been represented by only one winner since 1994.

**2** nations are, for the first time, represented by three teams each in the group phase: Denmark (Esbjerg, Odense, Ikast) and Hungary (Györ, FTC and Debrecen).

**2** Champions League debutants made it to Budapest in their first ever seasons: Vardar (2014) and CSM Bucuresti (2016).

**2** players, who are part of the 2023/24 competition, have won the EHF Champions League six times: Nora Mørk (Team Esbjerg) and Jana Knedlikova (Vipers). Knedlikova won all six titles in six consecutive EHF FINAL4 tournaments (three times with Györ, three times with Vipers).



**3** former Champions League top scorers are on court in the group phase: CSM Bucuresti's Cristina Neagu (2015: 102 for Buducnost; 2018 and 2022: 110 for CSM), Györ's Ana Gros (2021: 135 goals for Brest) and Henny Reistad of Esbjerg (2023: 137 goals for Esbjerg).

**3** of the four EHF FINAL4 2023 participants have new coaches for the 2023/24 season: Vipers are now coached by former assistant coach Tomas Hlavaty (succeeding Ole Gjekstad, now Odense); FTC are now coached by Martin Albertsen (successor of Gabor Elek); and Ulrik Kirkely is the new coach at Györ, as the successor of Ambros Martin. Team Esbjerg will change their coach in 2024, when Jesper Jensen will focus solely on the Danish national team and will be succeeded by Tomas Axner.

**4** different clubs have won the EHF FINAL4 in Budapest since its premiere in 2014: Vipers, Györ, Buducnost (2015) and CSM Bucuresti (2016).

**4** former or current female IHF World Players of the Year, combining for nine awards, are part of the group phase: Cristina Neagu (Bucuresti/2010, 2015, 2016, 2018), Andrea Lekic (FTC/2013), Stine Oftedal (Györ/2019) and Sandra Toft (Györ/2021).

**4** - which means all - teams from the 2023 EHF FINAL4 in Budapest are part of the group stage again: Vipers, Györ, FTC and Esbjerg.

**5** - the number of times Györ have been Champions League winners, making them the record champions of this competition.

**5** former or current Women's EHF Champions League winners (including all winners since 2012), representing 13 titles are part of the 2023/24 group stage: Krim (2001, 2003), Buducnost (2012, 2015), Györ (2013, 2014, 2017, 2018, 2019), CSM Bucuresti (2016) and Vipers (2021, 2022, 2023).

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of the 16 teams have previously been part of EHF FINAL4 tournaments in Budapest: Györ, Vipers, Metz, CSM, Brest, Esbjerg, FTC Buducnost and Ikast (as FC Midtjylland).

**10** different nations – one fewer than the previous season - are part of the group matches: Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Montenegro, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and Sweden.

**11** nations represent the previous winners of the Women's EHF Champions League: Denmark, Hungary (six titles each), Austria (four), Norway (four), Slovenia (two), Montenegro (two), North Macedonia, Spain, Croatia, Russia and Romania (one title each).

**12** clubs, which were part of the 2022/23 group phase, are back again: Odense, Esbjerg, Brest, Metz, Bietigheim, FTC, Györ, CSM Bucuresti, Rapid Bucuresti, Buducnost, Vipers and Krim. The new clubs are DVSC, Ikast, Lublin and Sävehof, replacing Zagreb, Kastamonu, Storhamar and Most.

**13** different clubs were part of the previous eight EHF FINAL4 events: Györ (eight times), Vardar (five), Kristiansand (four), Buducnost (four), CSM Bucuresti (three), Rostov (two), Metz (two), Esbjerg (two), Midtjylland, Volgograd, Larvik, CSKA, Brest and FTC (all one each).

**17** - the number of times, from 17 previous seasons, that record champions Györ have at least qualified for the quarter-finals of the competition. They have reached the semi-finals 15 times (one of which was not carried out: the postponed 2019/20 season).

**16** or 18 matches will be played by the four teams which make it to the EHF FINAL4 in Budapest (1/2 June 2024) - depending on whether they skip the play-offs or not.

**29** - the number of times times, including this new season, that Krim have participated in the EHF Champions League, the most, ahead of Buducnost of Montenegro (28 participations).

**60** goals is the most scored by an individual player at the EHF FINAL4 at Budapest in total, scored by Henny Reistad in only eight matches, ahead of Nycke Groot and Anita Görbicz (both 57).

**112** group matches will throw-off between September 2023 and February 2024.

**132** matches are ahead before the 2022/23 winners of the Women's EHF Champions League winner will be confirmed in Budapest on 2 June.

**205** victories (20 draws, and 47 defeats) in 272 Champions League matches puts Györ at number 1 in the all-time ranking of the competition.

**306** Champions League matches are in the history books of Buducnost, last season they became the first women's club to reach more than 300 Champions League matches played, followed by Krim (exactly 300).

**1,069** goals in 19 Champions League seasons were scored by Jovanka Radicevic (Krim) the current all-time top scorer, ahead of Cristina Neagu (1,028). Both are still part of the competition and passed previous top scorer Anita Görbicz (Györ/1,016) in the 2022/23 season.

**7,939** goals were scored in the 2022/23 season of the Women's EHF Champions League.

**20,022** spectators is the new world record for women's handball matches, twice broken at the 2023 EHF FINAL4 in the sold-out MVM Dome in Budapest.

## TEAMS BY AGE AVERAGE

SG BBM Bietigheim	28.6	(03/01/1995)
CS Rapid Bucuresti	28.3	(15/05/1995)
KGHM MKS Zaglebie Lubin	28.2	(02/07/1995)
Györi Audi ETO KC	27.7	(10/12/1995)
Vipers Kristiansand	27.6	(21/12/1995)
Krim Mercator Ljubljana	27.3	(05/05/1996)
Odense Håndbold	26.2	(23/05/1997)
WHC Buducnost BEMAX	26.1	(01/08/1997)
Team Esbjerg	26.1	(05/08/1997)
FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	25.9	(03/10/1997)
CSM Bucuresti	25.2	(05/07/1998)
CL average	24.1	
Brest Bretagne Handball	24.1	(28/05/1999)
DVSC Schaeffler	23.5	(04/03/2000)
Ikast Håndbold	23.0	(11/09/2000)
Metz Handball	22.3	(26/04/2001)
IK Sävehof	21.5	(08/03/2002)

## TEAMS BY HEIGHT AVERAGE

Krim Mercator Ljubljana	179.4
WHC Buducnost BEMAX	178.9
CS Rapid Bucuresti	178.2
Team Esbjerg	177.8
CSM Bucuresti	177.3
SG BBM Bietigheim	177.3
Brest Bretagne Handball	176.6
CL average	176.5
IK Sävehof	176.4
FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	176.2
Metz Handball	176.0
Vipers Kristiansand	176.0
Ikast Håndbold	175.7
Odense Håndbold	175.2
Györi Audi ETO KC	174.7
KGHM MKS Zaglebie Lubin	174.6
DVSC Schaeffler	174.2



SHORTEST



160 cm

**Aneta Promis**

KGHM MKS Zagłębie Lubin

<b>Aneta Promis</b>	POL	KGHM MKS Zagłębie Lubin	<b>160</b>
<b>Johanne Lasthein Andersen</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>161</b>
<b>Emma Friis</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>162</b>
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TALLEST



196 cm

**Szimonetta Planeta**

DVSC Schaeffler

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<b>Freja Hammer Fagerberg</b>	DEN	Odense Håndbold	<b>186</b>
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**Iva Mladenovska**

*Brest Bretagne Handball*

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**Katrine Lunde**

*Vipers Kristiansand*

<b>Iva Mladenovska</b>	MKD	Brest Bretagne Handball	<b>14/01/2007</b>
<b>Dalma Varga</b>	HUN	Györi Audi ETO KC	<b>16/12/2006</b>
<b>Lina Thorstein Lützhøft</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>28/08/2006</b>
<b>Emma Jessen</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>20/08/2006</b>
<b>Johanne Lasthein Andersen</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>12/08/2006</b>
<b>Dorka Papp</b>	HUN	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	<b>26/07/2006</b>
<b>Dittemarie Juel Christensen</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>03/07/2006</b>
<b>Maja Portillo</b>	SWE	IK Sävehof	<b>23/06/2006</b>
<b>Elena Erceg</b>	SLO	Krim Mercator Ljubljana	<b>07/06/2006</b>
<b>Wilma Saul</b>	SWE	IK Sävehof	<b>05/06/2006</b>
<b>Anne Nowak</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>26/05/2006</b>
<b>Ioana Nita</b>	ROU	CSM Bucuresti	<b>04/05/2006</b>
<b>Evelin Szár</b>	HUN	Györi Audi ETO KC	<b>23/04/2006</b>
<b>Mioara Ciubotaru</b>	ROU	CSM Bucuresti	<b>14/04/2006</b>
<b>Maria Voicu</b>	ROU	CSM Bucuresti	<b>01/04/2006</b>
<b>Caroline Kottal Clausen</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>19/03/2006</b>
<b>Clara Mendgaard Sørensen</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>19/02/2006</b>
<b>Claire Koestner</b>	FRA	Metz Handball	<b>10/02/2006</b>
<b>Corentine Senant</b>	FRA	Brest Bretagne Handball	<b>08/02/2006</b>
<b>Simone Juel Kristensen</b>	DEN	Ikast Handbold	<b>25/12/2005</b>

<b>Katrine Lunde</b>	NOR	Vipers Kristiansand	<b>30/03/1980</b>
<b>Kinga Grzyb</b>	POL	KGHM MKS Zagłębie Lubin	<b>12/01/1982</b>
<b>Karolina Kudlacz-Gloc</b>	POL	SG BBM Bietigheim	<b>17/01/1985</b>
<b>Alexandrina Cabral Barbosa</b>	ESP	Brest Bretagne Handball	<b>05/05/1986</b>
<b>Barbara Arenhart</b>	BRA	Krim Mercator Ljubljana	<b>04/10/1986</b>
<b>Jovanka Radicevic</b>	MNE	Krim Mercator Ljubljana	<b>23/10/1986</b>
<b>Zsuzsanna Tomori</b>	HUN	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	<b>18/06/1987</b>
<b>Andrea Lekic</b>	SRB	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	<b>06/09/1987</b>
<b>Barbara Lazovic</b>	SLO	Krim Mercator Ljubljana	<b>04/01/1988</b>
<b>Monika Maliczkievicz</b>	POL	KGHM MKS Zagłębie Lubin	<b>15/04/1988</b>
<b>Carmen Martin</b>	ESP	IK Sävehof	<b>29/05/1988</b>
<b>Cristina Neagu</b>	ROU	CSM Bucuresti	<b>26/08/1988</b>
<b>Antje Döll</b>	GER	SG BBM Bietigheim	<b>03/10/1988</b>
<b>Beatrice Edwige</b>	FRA	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	<b>03/10/1988</b>
<b>Patricia Machado Matielli</b>	BRA	KGHM MKS Zagłębie Lubin	<b>08/11/1988</b>
<b>Melinda Szikora</b>	HUN	SG BBM Bietigheim	<b>19/11/1988</b>
<b>Armelle Attingré</b>	FRA	WHC Buducnost BEMAX	<b>15/01/1989</b>
<b>Allison Pineau</b>	FRA	Krim Mercator Ljubljana	<b>02/05/1989</b>
<b>Jana Knedlikova</b>	CZE	Vipers Kristiansand	<b>22/06/1989</b>
<b>Cléopatre Darleux</b>	FRA	Brest Bretagne Handball	<b>01/07/1989</b>

# CLUBS







## FRESH FACES AND FORMER CHAMPIONS MAKE FOR FASCINATING GROUP A

Three former winners of the EHF Champions League Women will face off in group A of the premier European competition this season, with Györi Audi ETO KC, CSM Bucuresti and WHC Buducnost BEMAX drawn alongside five other sides, in what promises to be a well-balanced group.

With a new coach at the wheel, Ulrik Kirkely, Györ aim to return to the EHF FINAL4 in Budapest at the business end of the season. Relying heavily on the same core that brought them there in the past three seasons, they will be one of the big favourites to seal one of the two quarter-finals berths in the group. They have strengthened their squad with a top transfer – centre back Bruna de Paula Almeida, from Metz Handball. The Brazilian star will add more dynamism to their back line which has been found lacking in certain moments in recent times, meaning Györ have needed to rely more on their defence, which has perhaps taken a step backwards in the last

few seasons.

One of Kirkely's opponents will be his former club, Odense, the runners-up in the Danish league last season, who have gone through a huge makeover this summer. Seven players have left and eight come in, as Ole Gustav Gjekstad, the coach who led Vipers Kristiansand to three straight titles in the last three seasons, takes over the hotseat. Gjekstad will certainly need time, but his credentials are excellent, his experience is next to none and he will have five Norwegian players, plus a plethora of Danish stalwarts to ensure a smooth transition.

Apart from Györ and Odense, one other side is a certain candidate for a place in the top two in the standings, as CSM Bucuresti eye a return to the EHF FINAL4 for the first time since 2018. The Romanian powerhouse swept their opponents in the domestic competitions last season, but after a strong start in the European top competition, they faltered in the spring and were eliminated in the quarter-finals by Team Esbjerg. CSM have strengthened even further, bringing in the best line player at the EHF Excellence

Awards this summer, Vilde Ingstad. They have also covered their right back position with two transfers, Laura Flippes and Monika Kobylinska, both coming from the French league. Meanwhile they can still count on the second all-time top scorer of the EHF Champions League Women, Cristina Neagu.

The race for the other qualifying places looks to be exciting. WHC Buducnost BEMAX have infused their team with talent with the transfers of backs Noemi Hafra and Kalidiatou Niakate, giving them the look of a tough opponent, at least on their home court in Podgorica.

SG BBM Bietigheim surely learnt something from their experience last season, when they started with a five-game unbeaten run, only to falter in the second part of the group phase and miss out on qualifying entirely. As coach Markus Gaugisch bowed out to focus only on his role as Germany women's national team coach, his place was filled in by Jakob Vestergaard, who returns to the EHF Champions League Women after seven years, when he was leading CSM Bucuresti.

Brest Bretagne Handball look to bounce back with an interesting mix of experience and youth after a disappointing campaign last season in the European top competition. Arguably, they relied too heavily on their defence when the attack failed to bring the goods.

Swedish side IK Sävehof make their comeback after a one-year hiatus, with the same attractive brand of fast-paced handball and a lot of young players from Sweden. Sävehof are brimming with potential, but also have a strong leader in right wing Carmen Martin, the former captain of Spain women's national team.

Last, but not least, DVSC Schaeffler make a return to the EHF Champions League after a 13-year break. The third-placed team in the Hungarian league has plenty of young talent, like Greta Kacsor or Petra Fuzi-Tovizi, but lacks the experience of playing 14 high-level games in the space of just a few months.

*Adrian Costeiu*



**GROUP A HEAD TO HEAD****Odense Håndbold vs Györi Audi ETO KC 0-1-7 (213:250)****1:15**

07.04.2019	Odense HC vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	28:29 (13:18)
13.04.2019	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Odense HC, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	33:21 (18:10)
10.10.2020	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Odense Håndbold, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	32:25 (16:11)
17.01.2021	Odense Håndbold vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	32:32 (18:17)
17.10.2021	Odense Håndbold vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	26:31 (11:16)
23.01.2022	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Odense Håndbold, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	27:26 (12:13)
29.04.2023	Odense Håndbold vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	27:29 (17:12)
06.05.2023	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Odense Håndbold, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	37:28 (21:14)

**Odense Håndbold vs IK Sävehof 2-0-0 (74:55)****4:0**

26.09.2021	IK Sävehof vs Odense Håndbold, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	31:37 16:19
06.02.2022	Odense Håndbold vs IK Sävehof, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	37:24 (16:13)

**Odense Håndbold vs SG BBM Bietigheim 2-0-0 (58:48)****4:0**

23.10.2022	Odense Håndbold vs SG BBM Bietigheim, EHF Champions League – Group A	31:24 (14:12)
18.12.2022	SG BBM Bietigheim vs Odense Håndbold, EHF Champions League – Group A	24:27 (16:13)

**Odense Håndbold vs Brest Bretagne Handball 5-0-3 (203:209)****10:6**

26.01.2019	Odense HC vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	28:24 (14:10)
24.02.2019	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Odense HC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	24:29 (13:13)
25.10.2020	Odense Håndbold vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	24:31 (12:16)
22.11.2020	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Odense Håndbold, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	32:21 (15:13)
27.03.2022	Odense Håndbold vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Play-offs	25:24 (13:12)
03.04.2022	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Odense Håndbold, EHF Champions League – Play-offs	29:26 (14:14)
15.10.2022	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Odense Håndbold, EHF Champions League – Group A	21:25 (8:16)
07.01.2023	Odense Håndbold vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Group A	25:24 (14:11)

**GROUP A HEAD TO HEAD****Odense Håndbold vs CSM Bucuresti 0-0-2 (58:71)****0:4**

09.10.2022	Odense Håndbold vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group A	27:31 (13:16)
14.01.2023	CSM Bucuresti vs Odense Håndbold, EHF Champions League – Group A	40:31 (21:11)

**Odense Håndbold vs WHC Buducnost BEMAX 1-0-3 (104:105)****2:6**

06.10.2018	Buducnost vs Odense HC, EHF Champions League – Group A	31:28 (17:12)
11.11.2018	Odense HC vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Group A	22:26 (14:13)
27.09.2020	Odense Håndbold vs Buducnost, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	30:21 (12:8)
23.01.2021	Buducnost vs Odense Håndbold, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	27:24 (13:10)

**Odense Håndbold vs DVSC Schaeffler**

No previous encounters in European competitions

**Györi Audi ETO KC vs IK Sävehof 8-0-0 (274:182)****16:0**

26.10.2014	IK Sävehof vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Group C	21:38 (8:20)
23.11.2014	Györi Audi ETO KC vs IK Sävehof, EHF Champions League – Group C	35:23 (16:14)
17.01.2016	IK Sävehof vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	18:26 (6:13)
19.02.2016	Györi Audi ETO KC vs IK Sävehof, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	32:26 (19:14)
06.10.2019	Györi Audi ETO KC vs IK Sävehof, DELO EHF Champions League – Group D	35:23 (17:11)
09.11.2019	IK Sävehof vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Group D	27:36 (12:19)
30.10.2021	Györi Audi ETO KC vs IK Sävehof, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	41:19 (20:9)
13.02.2022	IK Sävehof vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	25:31 (12:15)

**Györi Audi ETO KC vs SG BBM Bietigheim 2-0-0 (69:48)****4:0**

07.03.2021	SG BBM Bietigheim vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Play-offs	20:37 (8:18)
13.03.2021	Györi Audi ETO KC vs SG BBM Bietigheim, DELO EHF Champions League – Play-offs	32:28 (19:16)

**GROUP A HEAD TO HEAD****Györi Audi ETO KC vs Brest Bretagne Handball 4-4-1 (241:218)****12:6**

15.10.2017	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Group B	23:26 (10:13)
18.11.2017	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Group B	26:17 (13:7)
26.01.2020	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	27:27 (15:17)
23.02.2020	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	28:29 (15:14)
27.09.2020	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	25:25 (12:12)
23.01.2021	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	27:27 (15:15)
29.05.2021	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final	25:27 (8:11, 20:20, 23:23)
30.04.2022	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	21:21 (11:8)
07.05.2022	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	35:23 (20:12)

**Györi Audi ETO KC vs CSM Bucuresti 8-0-2 (277:246)****16:4**

06.02.2016	Györi Audi ETO KC vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	28:22 (12:10)
28.02.2016	CSM Bucuresti vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	22:24 (8:14)
08.05.2016	CSM Bucuresti vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF FINAL4 – Final	29:26a7m (13:12, 22:22, 25:25)
28.10.2016	CSM Bucuresti vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Group C	24:27 (13:9)
04.11.2016	Györi Audi ETO KC vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group C	33:25 (11:13)
26.01.2018	CSM Bucuresti vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	28:22 (13:11)
26.02.2018	Györi Audi ETO KC vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	28:24 (13:11)
12.05.2018	CSM Bucuresti vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final	20:26 (10:12)
26.01.2019	Györi Audi ETO KC vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	36:27 (22:15)
23.02.2019	CSM Bucuresti vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	25:27 (10:14)

**Györi Audi ETO KC vs DVSC Schaeffler**

No previous encounters in European competitions



**GROUP A HEAD TO HEAD****Györi Audi ETO KC vs WHC Buducnost BEMAX 20-4-3 (715:627)****44:10**

13.05.2006	ZRK Buducnost MONET vs Györi ETO Kezilabda Club, Cup Winners' Cup – Final	25:25 (12:7)
20.05.2006	Györi ETO Kezilabda Club vs ZRK Buducnost MONET, Cup Winners' Cup – Final	23:26 (10:14)
07.01.2007	ZRK Buducnost T-Mobile vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Group B	25:31 (12:16)
17.02.2007	Györi Audi ETO KC vs ZRK Buducnost T-Mobile, EHF Champions League – Group B	28:20 (13:9)
15.02.2009	Györi AUDI ETO KC vs Buducnost T-Mobile, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	31:27 (15:14)
28.02.2009	Buducnost T-Mobile vs Györi AUDI ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	26:26 (9:14)
05.05.2012	Györi AUDI ETO KC vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Final	29:27 (13:12)
13.05.2012	Buducnost vs Györi AUDI ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Final	27:25 (13:12)
02.02.2013	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	27:17 (14:7)
10.03.2013	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	21:22 (12:13)
01.02.2014	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	23:23 (9:13)
09.03.2014	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	26:26 (14:12)
04.05.2014	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, MVM EHF FINAL4 – Final	21:27 (10:15)
09.01.2016	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	22:20 (13:11)
14.02.2016	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	25:22 (12:12)
07.05.2016	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final	20:21 (8:11)
06.05.2017	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, TIPPMIX EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final	20:26 (9:12)
07.04.2018	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	20:26 (9:12)
14.04.2018	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	30:28 (15:15)
01.02.2020	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Buducnost, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	26:24 (15:12)
01.03.2020	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	27:28 (17:12)
21.11.2020	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Buducnost, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	34:29 (18:16)
29.01.2021	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	21:26 (8:14)
03.04.2021	Buducnost vs Györi Audi ETO KC, DELO EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	19:30 (11:16)
10.04.2021	Györi Audi ETO KC vs Buducnost, DELO EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	24:21 (10:11)
22.10.2022	Györi Audi ETO KC vs WHC Buducnost BEMAX, EHF Champions League – Group B	32:19 (15:9)
17.12.2022	WHC Buducnost BEMAX vs Györi Audi ETO KC, EHF Champions League – Group B	23:25 (12:14)

## GROUP A HEAD TO HEAD

### IK Sävehof vs Brest Bretagne Handball 0-0-4 (92:133)

**0:8**

21.10.2018	IK Sävehof vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Group B	27:39 (16:19)
04.11.2018	Brest Bretagne Handball vs IK Sävehof, EHF Champions League – Group B	34:26 (19:14)
09.02.2020	Brest Bretagne Handball vs IK Sävehof, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	31:22 (14:7)
08.03.2020	IK Sävehof vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	17:29 (5:17)

### IK Sävehof vs CSM Bucuresti 0-0-2 (39:55)

**0:4**

23.10.2015	IK Sävehof vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group D	17:28 (9:13)
20.11.2015	CSM Bucuresti vs IK Sävehof, EHF Champions League – Group D	27:22 (13:9)

### IK Sävehof vs SG BBM Bietigheim

No previous encounters in European competitions

### IK Sävehof vs WHC Buducnost BEMAX 0-0-6 (137:187)

**0:12**

24.10.2010	IK Sävehof vs 'Buducnost', EHF Champions League – Group A	24:33 (13:16)
21.11.2010	'Buducnost' vs IK Sävehof, EHF Champions League – Group A	33:26 (16:14)
18.10.2015	Buducnost vs IK Sävehof, EHF Champions League – Group D	33:20 (17:8)
15.11.2015	IK Sävehof vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Group D	18:25 (11:14)
25.01.2020	Buducnost vs IK Sävehof, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	30:25 (18:14)
22.02.2020	IK Sävehof vs Buducnost, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	24:33 (17:15)

### IK Sävehof vs DVSC Schaeffler

No previous encounters in European competitions

### SG BBM Bietigheim vs DVSC Schaeffler

No previous encounters in European competitions

**GROUP A HEAD TO HEAD****SG BBM Bietigheim vs Brest Bretagne Handball 0-1-3 (115:128)****1:7**

19.10.2019	SG BBM Bietigheim vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group C	32:35 (18:17)
02.11.2019	Brest Bretagne Handball vs SG BBM Bietigheim, DELO EHF Champions League – Group C	36:30 (18:15)
04.12.2022	SG BBM Bietigheim vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Group A	25:25 (14:13)
10.12.2022	Brest Bretagne Handball vs SG BBM Bietigheim, EHF Champions League – Group A	32:28 (17:18)

**SG BBM Bietigheim vs CSM Bucuresti 1-1-3 (129:147)****3:7**

14.10.2018	SG BBM Bietigheim vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group D	30:28 (16:12)
18.11.2018	CSM Bucuresti vs SG BBM Bietigheim, EHF Champions League – Group D	32:24 (14:13)
25.10.2020	SG BBM Bietigheim vs CSM Bucuresti, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	22:32 (10:14)
10.02.2021	CSM Bucuresti vs SG BBM Bietigheim, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	10:0 (0:0)*
25.09.2022	CSM Bucuresti vs SG BBM Bietigheim, EHF Champions League – Group A	28:28 (13:16)
22.01.2023	SG BBM Bietigheim vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group A	25:27 (12:15)

\* Match not played and points allocated. Result not included in overall stat.

**SG BBM Bietigheim vs WHC Buducnost BEMAX 1-0-3 (102:117)****2:6**

07.10.2017	Buducnost vs SG BBM Bietigheim, EHF Champions League – Group D	32:24 (17:10)
12.11.2017	SG BBM Bietigheim vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Group D	27:21 (12:10)
13.10.2019	SG BBM Bietigheim vs Buducnost, DELO EHF Champions League – Group C	23:30 (12:14)
16.11.2019	Buducnost vs SG BBM Bietigheim, DELO EHF Champions League – Group C	34:28 (18:14)

**Brest Bretagne Handball vs CSM Bucuresti 2-1-1 (110:113)****5:3**

30.10.2021	CSM Bucuresti vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	29:30 (16:14)
19.01.2022	Brest Bretagne Handball vs CSM Bucuresti, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	24:21 (11:11)
18.09.2022	Brest Bretagne Handball vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group A	26:33 (13:17)
05.02.2023	CSM Bucuresti vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Group A	30:30 (15:18)

**Brest Bretagne Handball vs DVSC Schaeffler**

No previous encounters in European competitions



## GROUP A HEAD TO HEAD

### Brest Bretagne Handball vs WHC Buducnost BEMAX 3-3-2 (219:211)

**9:7**

10.02.2019	Buducnost vs Brest Bretagne Handball, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	28:27 (15:12)
10.03.2019	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	22:22 (13:13)
05.10.2019	Buducnost vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group C	32:35 (17:16)
10.11.2019	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Buducnost, DELO EHF Champions League – Group C	32:28 (14:15)
10.10.2020	Buducnost vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	22:22 (12:12)
17.01.2021	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Buducnost, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	28:28 (11:18)
13.11.2021	Brest Bretagne Handball vs Buducnost BEMAX, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	25:21 (12:12)
20.11.2021	Buducnost BEMAX vs Brest Bretagne Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	30:28 (13:16)

### CSM Bucuresti vs WHC Buducnost BEMAX 3-1-1 (129:113)

**7:3**

01.11.2015	CSM Bucuresti vs Buducnost, EHF Champions League – Group D	22:28 (11:15)
08.11.2015	Buducnost vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group D	23:23 (12:13)
07.05.2017	Buducnost vs CSM Bucuresti, TIPPMIX EHF FINAL4 – Place 3/4	20:26 (12:13)
24.10.2021	CSM Bucuresti vs Buducnost BEMAX, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	30:22 (14:10)
15.01.2022	Buducnost BEMAX vs CSM Bucuresti, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	20:28 (9:15)

### CSM Bucuresti vs DVSC Schaeffler

No previous encounters in European competitions

### WHC Buducnost BEMAX vs DVSC Schaeffler 1-0-1 (48:47)

**2:2**

06.02.2010	Buducnost T-Mobile vs DVSC-Korvex, Cup Winners' Cup – Last 16	28:20 (14:9)
14.02.2010	DVSC-Korvex vs Buducnost T-Mobile, Cup Winners' Cup – Last 16	27:20 (14:10)



# ODENSE HÅNDBOLD

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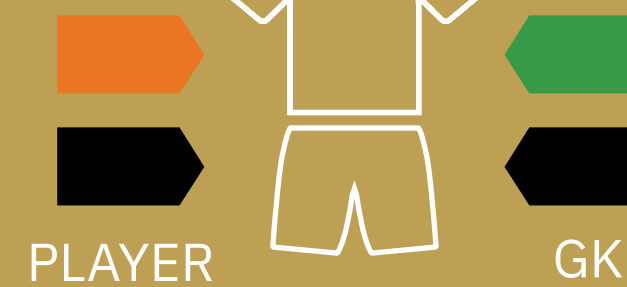


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**Odense Israels Plads 3**  
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**Denmark**

**Capacity:**  
**2,236**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



### DARK



Odense Håndbold reached the quarter-finals of the EHF Champions League Women for the second time in their history last year. Now, under three-time winning coach Ole Gustav Gjekstad, the Danish runners-up (to Team Esbjerg) are looking to go a step further.

A new-look squad will don the famous orange jerseys while still retaining the characteristic Odense mix of Scandinavian and Dutch players.

GROUP A





# ODENSE HÅNDBOLD

## MAIN FACTS

- > this will be the fifth season for Odense in the EHF Champions League Women and their fourth consecutive appearance, having reached the quarter-finals last season
- > the summer has been busy for Odense, with seven players leaving, including experienced left back Lois Abbingh and line player Rikke Iversen, and eight players being ushered in
- > coach Ulrik Kirkely left to join Győr, with three-time winner of the EHF Champions League Women, Ole Gustav Gjekstad, being signed from reigning champions Vipers Kristiansand
- > the Danish side needs only 230 goals to reach the 2,000-goal milestone and become the 22nd team in history to hit that number
- > Odense have won seven, eight and nine games respectively in the previous three seasons, a step-by-step improvement, but have never made the EHF FINAL4 in their previous four seasons in the European premium competition

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 5  
 Quarter-finals (2): 2018/19, 2022/23  
 Play-offs (2): 2020/21, 2021/22

### **Other**

*EHF Cup*: Semi-finals: 2019/20; Quarter-finals: 2015/16  
*Cup Winners' Cup*: Last 16: 2013/14

*Danish league*: 2 titles (2021, 2022)

*Danish cup*: 1 title (2021)



## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2018/19 Odense HC DEN	14	5	2	7	355:377		-22	12:16	Quarter-final
2020/21 Odense Håndbold DEN	16	7	1	8	446:435		+11	15:17	Play-offs
2021/22 Odense Håndbold DEN	16	8	1	7	456:439		+17	17:15	Play-offs
2022/23 Odense Håndbold DEN	18	9	1	8	513:491		+22	19:17	Quarter-final
<b>Total:</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1770:1742</b>		<b>+28</b>	<b>63:65</b>	



EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

**6** MATCHES  
Longest winning run

**6** MATCHES  
Longest unbeaten run

**41** GOALS  
Most goals

**Biggest win** 41:22 (24:11) v DHK Banik Most CZE (h), 18.09.2022

**Biggest defeat** 41:26 (21:12) v Metz Handball FRA (a), 18.11.2018

**Longest winning run** 6 matches (15.10.2022 – 07.01.2023)

**Longest unbeaten run** 6 matches (15.10.2022 – 07.01.2023)

**Longest losing run** 3 matches (09.03.2019 – 13.04.2019)

3 matches (23.01.2021 – 14.02.2021)

**Longest run without win** 4 matches (17.01.2021 – 14.02.2021)

**Most goals** 41 v DHK Banik Most CZE 41:22W (h), 18.09.2022

**Most goals opponent** 41 v Metz Handball FRA 41:26L (a), 18.11.2018

**Most goals both teams** 71 v Vipers Kristiansand NOR 35:36W (a), 07.03.2021

71 v CSM Bucuresti 40:31L (a), 14.01.2023

**Fewest goals** 19 v Metz Handball FRA 19:19D (h), 14.10.2018

19 v Rostov-Don RUS 25:19L (a), 09.03.2019

**Fewest goals opponent** 17 v HC Podravka Vegeta CRO 17:33W (a), 18.10.2020

**Fewest goals both teams** 38 v Metz Handball FRA 19:19D (h), 14.10.2018



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
3	Maren	Aardahl	NOR	Line Player	02/03/1994	Trondheim, NOR	183
6	Malin	Larsen Aune	NOR	Right Wing	04/03/1995	Ranheim, NOR	165
7	Bo	van Wetering	NED	Left Wing	05/10/1999	Heerhugowaard, NED	171
9	Larissa	Nüsser	NED	Centre Back	08/02/2000	Born, NED	175
16	Althea	Reinhardt	DEN	Goalkeeper	01/09/1996	Aarhus, DEN	179
17	Freja	Hammer Fagerberg	DEN	Goalkeeper	17/05/1997	Herlev, DEN	186
19	Nina	Dano	SWE	Right Back	12/06/2000	Göteborg, SWE	172
22	Ragnhild	Valle Dahl	NOR	Left Back	02/01/1998	Elnesvågen , NOR	178
23	Elma	Halilcevic	DEN	Left Wing	18/06/2000	Esbjerg, DEN	168
25	Tonje	Løseth	NOR	Left Back	01/01/1991	Bergen, NOR	183
<b>32</b>	<b>Mie</b>	<b>Højlund C</b>	<b>DEN</b>	<b>Left Back</b>	<b>24/10/1997</b>	<b>Randers, DEN</b>	<b>173</b>
33	Thale	Rushfeldt Deila	NOR	Centre Back	15/01/2000	Porsgrunn, NOR	178
34	Andrea	Aagot Hansen	DEN	Right Wing	22/05/2000	Frederiksberg, DEN	178
38	Yara	Ten Holte	NED	Goalkeeper	23/11/1999	Amsterdam, NED	175
44	Nikita	van der Vliet	NED	Line Player	14/03/2000	Zaandam, NED	173
48	Dione	Housheer	NED	Right Back	26/09/1999	Gendringen, NED	180
64	Sidse	Mejlvang	DEN	Line Player	23/12/1990	Aarhus, DEN	175
68	Helena Elver	Hagesø	DEN	Centre Back	01/03/1998	Gentofte, DEN	168
90	Mia	Rej Frahm	DEN	Centre Back	02/02/1990	København, DEN	168







## COACH



## Ole Gustav Gjekstad



- > left Vipers to become Odense head coach in 2023, replacing Ulrik Kirkely
- > joined Vipers in 2018, winning the Norwegian league three times and the EHF Champions League in 2021, 2022 and 2023
- > his son, Hermann, also plays handball, currently at Viking Stavanger, previously featuring for OIF Arendal
- > worked at Larvik from 2011 to 2015, his second stint with that club having also coached there between 1999 and 2005
- > as a player, he scored 548 goals in 149 games for the Norwegian national team, playing as a right wing

**CL 2021, 2022, 2023 (as coach)**

## DEPARTURES

Rikke Iversen	>	(Team Esbjerg, DEN)
Lois Abbingh	>	(Vipers Kristiansand, NOR)
Ayaka Ikehara	>	(Nykøbing/Falster, DEN)
Freja Cohrt	>	(København Håndbold, DEN)
Trine Pedersen	>	Retired
Martina Thörn	>	(København Håndbold, DEN)
Kelly Vollebregt	>	(Nantes, FRA)

## ARRIVALS

Malin Aune	<	(CSM Bucuresti, ROU)
Ragnhild Valle Dahl	<	(Vipers Kristiansand, NOR)
Nina Dano	<	(Horsens Elite, DEN)
Nikita van der Vliet	<	(Nykøbing/Falster, DEN)
Elma Halilcevic	<	(Nykøbing/Falster, DEN)
Thale Rushfeldt Deila	<	(Molde HK, NOR)
Yara Ten Holte	<	(Dortmund, GER)
Andrea Aagot Hansen	<	(København, DEN)



GOALKEEPER 

**Althea Reinhardt**

@altheareinhardt

- > joined Odense in 2016 after one season at Roskilde and seven at Nykøbing, has never left the club since
- > created an excellent partnership with Sandra Toft in the Denmark national team, winning two medals in the last two major tournaments
- > one of the best penalty shot stoppers: saving five from 13 at EHF EURO 2020, and six from 13 at EHF EURO 2016
- > appeared on a mural in Copenhagen, depicting a shot hitting her face at the WCh 2021
- > good friends with teammate Mie Højlund, they studied law together and built a website: mithea.dk

EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2021



LEFT BACK 

**Mie Højlund**

@miehjlund

- > one of the longest-tenured players at Odense, signing for the side from Randers in 2017, she is one of the team captains
- > her performances when she won gold at W19 EHF EURO 2015 and 2016 Junior WCh with Denmark had marked out her huge potential
- > went on to win WCh bronze in 2021 and EURO 2022 silver as an established member of the national team
- > studied law together with Althea Reinhardt, with whom she built a website: mithea.dk

EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2021



LEFT BACK 

**Ragnhild Valle Dahl**

@ragnhildvd

- > joined Odense in the summer of 2023 from Vipers after four years in Kristiansand
- > started her senior career at Molde Elite, where she was the top scorer of the Norwegian league
- > won silver for Norway at the 2018 IHF Junior WCh, made her debut for the senior team in 2022, winning the gold medal at EHF EURO 2022
- > this will be her first experience outside of Norway, having played only for Molde and Vipers in her career
- > has already scored 174 goals in the CL for Vipers, being one of the team's top scorers in the 2021/22 and 2022/23 seasons

CL 2021, 2022, 2023 EURO: G 2022



LEFT WING 

**Bo Van Wetering**

@bovanwetering

- > Dutch international, who arrived at Odense in 2021 from German side TuS Metzingen
- > previously played for SEW and VOC in Netherlands, having starting her career at the renowned HandbalAcademie, like many other Dutch top players
- > finished the 2022/23 CL season as Odense's top scorer, with 75 goals
- > a left wing with a penchant for goals, scored 18 goals in a single game at the WCh 2021 (against Kazakhstan) – a record for the Dutch team
- > All-Star left wing of the W19 EHF EURO 2017 and took home a gold medal in her first senior WCh in 2019

WCh: G 2019





CENTRE BACK 

**Larissa Nüsser**

 @larissanusser

- > started handball in her home town, Born, moving to København Handball in 2018, where she spent three and a half seasons, before signing for Odense in the start of 2022
- > a dual-threat playmaker, who can also dish assists, but also relies on her shots, she has been one of the most coveted young centre backs in Europe
- > made her debut for the senior Dutch national team aged 17, won the gold medal at the WCh 2019 and the silver at the IHF Youth WCh 2019
- > her father, Harold Nüsser, played handball, representing the Dutch national team 155 times. Chiara, Larissa's sister, is also a handball player



LINE PLAYER 

**Maren Aardahl**

 @marenaardahl

- > Norwegian international, who started as a back before becoming a line player
- > played for Byåsen until 2019, and one season each for SG BBM Bietigheim in Germany and SCM Ramnicu Valcea in Romania, before joining Odense in 2021
- > made her debut for Norway in October 2021 and won the world title two months later, before adding another title with the national team at the EHF EURO 2022
- > also a prolific beach handball player; named MVP and won gold at Beach EURO 2017

EURO: G 2022; WCh: G 2021



RIGHT BACK 

**Dione Housheer**

 @dionehouseheer

- > moved to Denmark from her native Netherlands at age 18, joining København Håndbold for three seasons before arriving at Odense in summer of 2021
- > Odense's top scorer in the CL 2021/22 with 79 goals, she managed 10 fewer in the 2022/23 campaign
- > Dutch international since 2017, a member of the team that won the world title in 2019
- > was MVP of Youth European Open Championships in 2016 and the best right back in the Danish league in back-to-back seasons in 2021/22 and 2022/23

WCh: G 2019, EHF EURO: B 2018



RIGHT WING 

**Malin Aune**

 @malinaune

- > came back to Scandinavia after a two-year stint at CSM Bucuresti between 2021 and 2023, had only played in Norway before that
- > studied to be a nurse, got her certificate, and even helped at hospitals during the lockdowns in 2020, with several people in her family working in the industry
- > Norwegian international since 2015, has won three EHF EURO and one world title since, scored more than 180 goals in 99 matches
- > her older brother Joakim was a World Cup ski jumper until his retirement in 2020

CL 2021 EURO: G 2016, 2020, 2022; WCh: G 2021



# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Bo  
Van Wetering**

@bovanwetering

**75 GOALS**



**Dione  
Housheer**

@dionehousheer

**69 GOALS**



**Maren  
Aardahl**

@marenaardahl

**67 GOALS**



**Mie  
Højlund**

@miehjlund

**65 GOALS**



**Rikke  
Iversen**

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**39 GOALS**





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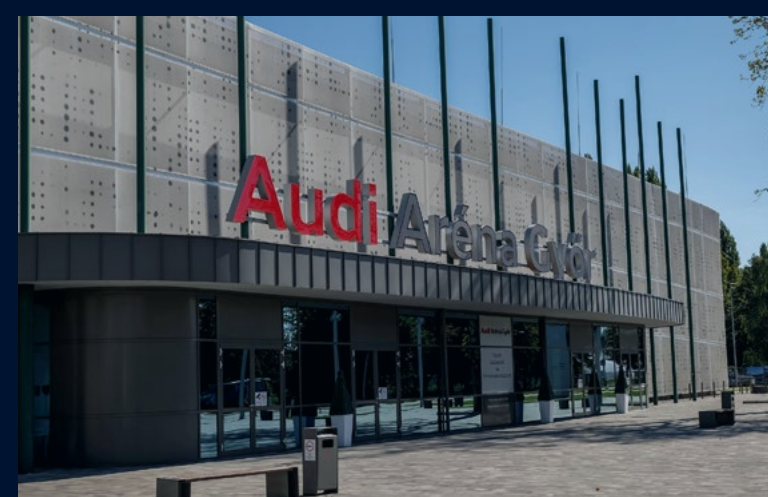
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**9027 Györ**  
**Hungary**

**Capacity:**  
**5,500**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



PLAYER

GK

### DARK



PLAYER

GK

Last season did not quite pan out for Györi Audi ETO KC as the club would have planned: yet again they reached the EHF FINAL4, but for a second year in a row they lost to Vipers Kristiansand. This time, it was in the semi-final, and they ultimately finished third.

However as record champions, Györ always set their sights high and yet another trip to Budapest will be nothing less than they expect in their 22nd EHF Champions League Women season.

GROUP A



# GYÖRI AUDI ETO KC

## MAIN FACTS

- > Györ are the team with the largest number of wins in history in the EHF Champions League Women – 205 in 271 matches, an average efficiency of 75 per cent
- > only one team – WHC Buducnost BEMAX – has scored more goals than Györ in the history of the competition. The Hungarian champions have netted 7,982 goals, needing only 18 to become the second side to reach the 8,000-goal milestone
- > as former coach Ambros Martin has moved on to take over Spain women's national team, Györ signed Ulrik Kirkely, who for the first time will be coaching a club outside Denmark
- > Györ have made seven consecutive appearances in the EHF FINAL4, keeping a streak alive that dates back to the 2014/15 season, the longest in the European top competition
- > since the current format was introduced three years ago, Györ have lost only four of the 42 games they have played in the group phase

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 22

Winners (5): 2012/13, 2013/14, 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19

Final (4): 2008/09, 2011/12, 2015/16, 2021/22

Semi-finals (6): 2006/07, 2007/08, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2020/21, 2022/23

Quarter-finals (3): 2014/15, 2019/20\*

Group Matches (2): 2000/01, 2005/06

Qualification (1): 2004/05

\* 2019/20 season not played to a finish due to Covid-19 pandemic

### **Other**

*Cup Winners' Cup*: Final: 2005/06, Semi-finals: 2002/03

*EHF Cup*: Final: 1998/99, 2001/02, 2003/04, 2004/05

*Hungarian league*: 17 titles (1957, 1959, 2005, 2006, 2008-14, 2016-19, 2022, 2023)

*Hungarian cup*: 15 titles (2005-16, 2018, 2019, 2021)



## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2000/01 Györi Graboplast ETO HUN	6	1	2	3	156:168		-12	4:8	4th Gr. D
2005/06 Györi ETO Kezilabda Club HUN	6	3	0	3	154:169		-15	6:6	3rd Gr. D
2006/07 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	10	6	0	4	291:267		+24	12:8	Semi-final
2007/08 Györi Audi ETO HUN	14	11	0	3	415:366		+49	22:6	Semi-final
2008/09 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	16	11	1	4	454:415		+39	23:9	Runner-up
2009/10 Györi AUDI ETO KC HUN	14	8	2	4	355:337		+18	18:10	Semi-final
2010/11 Györi AUDI ETO KC HUN	14	10	1	3	387:334		+53	21:7	Semi-final
2011/12 Györi AUDI ETO KC HUN	16	10	1	5	472:422		+50	21:11	Runner-up
2012/13 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	16	15	0	1	435:346		+89	30:2	Winner
2013/14 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	14	12	2	0	408:337		+71	26:2	Winner
2014/15 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	14	10	1	3	385:313		+72	21:7	Quarter-final
2015/16 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	16	12	1	3	436:357		+79	25:7	Runner-up
2016/17 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	16	13	1	2	481:390		+91	27:5	Winner
2017/18 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	16	14	0	2	442:365		+77	28:4	Winner
2018/19 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	16	14	2	0	521:406		+115	30:2	Winner
2019/20 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	12	11	1	0	390:302		+88	23:1	Quarter-final*
2020/21 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	20	15	4	1	637:489		+148	34:6	Third Place
2021/22 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	18	15	1	2	590:458		+132	31:5	Runner-up
2022/23 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	18	14	0	4	573:466		+107	28:8	Third Place
<b>Total:</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>7982:6707</b>		<b>+1275</b>	<b>430:114</b>	

\* Quarter-finals and EHF FINAL4 cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.



EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

16

**MATCHES**  
Longest  
winning run

55

**MATCHES**  
Longest  
unbeaten run

46

**GOALS**  
Most goals

<b>Biggest win</b>	21:46 (13:23) v DHK Banik Most CZE (a), 13.10.2019
<b>Biggest defeat</b>	39:28 (20:12) v Spartak Kiev UKR (a), 17.02.2001
<b>Longest winning run</b>	16 matches (05.02.2018 – 26.01.2019)
<b>Longest unbeaten run</b>	55 matches (since 05.02.2018)
<b>Longest losing run</b>	3 matches (11.02.2001 – 07.01.2006)
<b>Longest run without win</b>	4 matches (28.01.2001 – 07.01.2006)
<b>Most goals</b>	46 v DHK Banik Most CZE 21:46W (a), 13.10.2019
<b>Most goals opponent</b>	39 v Spartak Kiev UKR 39:28L (a), 17.02.2001
<b>Most goals both teams</b>	73 v HC Podravka Vegeta CRO 33:40W (a), 13.01.2008
<b>Fewest goals</b>	18 v Larvik NOR 18:24L (h), 20.03.2011
	18 v WHC Vardar SCBT 24:18L (a), 04.04.2015
<b>Fewest goals opponent</b>	14 v SD Itxako ESP 14:20W (a), 14.11.2009
<b>Fewest goals both teams</b>	34 v SD Itxako ESP 14:20W (a), 14.11.2009



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
2	Line	Haugsted	DEN	Left Back	11/11/1994	Skive, DEN	179
5	Linn	Blohm	SWE	Line Player	20/05/1992	Ingarö, SWE	180
6	Nadine	Szollosi-Schatzl	HUN	Left Wing	19/11/1993	München, GER	173
<b>7</b>	<b>Kari</b>	<b>Brattset Dale C</b>	<b>NOR</b>	<b>Line Player</b>	<b>15/02/1991</b>	<b>Fredrikstad, NOR</b>	<b>183</b>
9	Ana	Gros	SLO	Right Back	21/01/1991	Slovenj Gradec, SLO	186
10	Bruna	de Paula	BRA	Left Back	26/09/1996	Campestre/MG, BRA	170
11	Eun Hee	Ryu	KOR	Right Back	24/02/1990	Inchon, KOR	178
15	Stine	Oftedal	NOR	Centre Back	25/09/1991	Oslo, NOR	168
16	Silje	Solberg-Oesthassel	NOR	Goalkeeper	16/06/1990	Bærum, NOR	178
21	Veronica	Kristiansen	NOR	Left Back	10/07/1990	Stavanger, NOR	175
22	Viktória	Györi-Lukács	HUN	Right Wing	31/10/1995	Budapest, HUN	168
23	Csenge	Fodor	HUN	Left Wing	23/04/1999	Keszthely, HUN	174
26	Emilie	Hovden	NOR	Right Wing	05/04/1996	Bergen, NOR	168
27	Estelle	Nze Minko	FRA	Centre Back	11/08/1991	Saint-Sébastien-sur-Loire, FRA	178
30	Rinka	Duijndam	NED	Goalkeeper	06/08/1997	Wateringen, NED	178
31	Yvette	Broch	NED	Line Player	23/12/1990	Monster, NED	185
38	Evelin	Szár	HUN	Line Player	23/04/2006	Mohács, HUN	169
62	Dalma	Varga	HUN	Right Wing	16/12/2006	Miskolc, HUN	166
71	Kitti	Dobány	HUN	Goalkeeper	16/07/2004	Esztergom, HUN	178
79	Eszter	Farkas	HUN	Left Wing	16/01/2004	Csorna, HUN	162
81	Júlia	Farkas	HUN	Centre Back	01/08/2004	Sárvár, HUN	172
89	Sandra	Toft	DEN	Goalkeeper	18/10/1989	Gribskov, DEN	176







## COACH



**Ulrik  
Kirkely**



- > this is the first stint at a foreign club for Kirkely, having signed with Győr after spending three years in Odense
- > before dedicating his life full time to handball, he was an associate manager and a production manager at a local print shop in Svendborg
- > was Japan women's national team coach between 2017 and 2021, leading the Asian side at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics
- > the 48-year-old has also coached Bahrain and Saudi Arabia's men's teams and was Denmark women's assistant coach at major championships in 2012-14am

## DEPARTURES

- |                   |   |                          |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Jelena Despotovic | > | (FTC, HUN)               |
| Dorottya Faluvégi | > | (Bietigheim, GER)        |
| Alexa Győri       | > | (Vác, HUN – loan)        |
| Noémi Háfra       | > | (Buducnost, MNE - loan)  |
| Anne Mette Hansen | > | (Metz, FRA)              |
| Amandine Leynaud  | > | retired                  |
| Eszter Ogonovszky | > | (Baník Most, CZE - loan) |

## ARRIVALS

- |                |   |               |
|----------------|---|---------------|
| Emilie Hovden  | < | (Viborg, DEN) |
| Rinka Duijndam | < | (Sola, NOR)   |
| Bruna De Paula | < | (Metz, FRA)   |



GOALKEEPER 

**Sandra Toft**

 @sandratoft89



LEFT WING 

**Nadine Szöllösi-Schatzl**

 @schatzl\_nada



LEFT BACK 

**Estelle Nze Minko**

 @estellenzeminko



CENTRE BACK 

**Stine Oftedal**

 @stineoftedal

- > Danish international, arrived at Győr in summer of 2022 after three seasons with Brest, has also played for Esbjerg, Larvik and Holstebro
- > played her first CL match on her 25th birthday, 18 October 2014, with Larvik against Metz
- > reached CL final in 2015 with Larvik and again in 2021 with Brest, is still looking for her first title in the CL
- > All-star Goalkeeper CL 2015, EHF EURO 2016, World Player of the Year in 2021, the first goalkeeper in 20 years to receive the award
- > broke neck and back in 2009 car accident but returned to the court within six months

- > returned to Győr in 2021 from league rivals FTC; also played for Érd in the past, has spent her entire career in the Hungarian league
- > had her first CL experience as an 18-year-old in 2010/11 during her first stint at Győr, and she reached the CL final with Győr the following season
- > born in Munich, Germany, but started playing handball in Mohács at the age of 10
- > member of the Hungarian national team since 2014, was named the Hungarian player of the Year in 2019

- > French international, who joined Győr in 2019 after three seasons with Siófok
- > earlier played for Toulouse, Mios Biganos, Nantes, Nimes and Fleury in France
- > started playing handball when she was 12, made debut for national team in 2014, was MVP at the EHF EURO 2020, and became France's team captain in 2022
- > her nickname is Minkovic, a play on her name and a South Slavic suffix

- > arrived in Győr in 2017 after four seasons at Paris 92
- > made CL All-star Team as centre back for the fourth straight season in 2021/22
- > has won five EUROS and three WChs since making debut for Norway in 2010
- > named IHF World Player of the Year in 2019; individual accolades also include MVP WCh 2017 and All-star centre back of EHF EUROS in 2018, 2020 and 2022, CL All-star centre back 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22

EHF Cup 2013 EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2021

EHF Cup: 2019 EURO: G 2018, S 2020, B 2016; OG: G 2020, S 2016; WCh: G 2017, S 2021 EURO 2020 MVP

EURO: G 2010, 2014, 2016, 2020, 2022, S 2012; WCh: G 2011, 2015, 2021, S 2017; OG: B 2016, 2020





CENTRE BACK 

**Bruna de Paula**

 @brunapaula96



LINE PLAYER 

**Kari Brattset Dale**

 @kbrattset



RIGHT BACK 

**Ana Gros**

 @anagros6



RIGHT WING 

**Viktória Györi-Lukács**

 @lukacsviki

- > signed for Györ in 2023 after two years with Metz Handball • arrived in France in 2016, spending five seasons in all at Fleury Loiret and Les Neptunes des Nantes before joining Metz
- > was the MVP of the EHF Finals 2021, helping Nantes seal their first-ever international trophy, was also the MVP of the French league in 2020
- > has four sisters, were all raised by a single mother in Campestre, a town between Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo
- > has become a regular fixture in the Brazil national team at a young age, stated that her idol in sports is football player Neymar

EL 2021

- > joined from Vipers in summer of 2018; previously played for other Norwegian clubs Sarpsborg IL, Fredrikstad and Glassverket
- > MVP of the 2021 WCh, made the All-Star team in the 2021/22 CL as the best defender
- > came back in March 2023, after nearly a year of absence having given birth to a son, Nils, in November 2022
- > All-star line player, Best Player and 'Fan's Favourite' of the Norwegian league in 2018

CL 2019

OG: B 2020; EURO: G 2020, WCh: G 2021, S 2017

- > spent her first two professional seasons at Olimpija and Krim before moving to Györ, then featured for Thüringer HC, Brest, Metz, CSKA and Krim, before returning to Györ, in her second stint at the club, in 2022
- > sixth top scorer in the CL history with 821 goals in 14 seasons
- > reached CL final with Györ in 2012 and with Brest in 2021; CL top scorer in 2020/21 with 135 goals; team's best scorer in 2022/23 with 102 goals
- > her father was a volleyball player; Gros has also graduated from the Faculty of Tourism in Slovenia
- > All-star right back CL 2018; Best right back at the EHF Excellence Awards 2023

- > Budapest-born player, who joined Györ in the summer of 2020 from arch rivals FTC
- > got married in 2022 to fellow handball player, Mátyás Györi, has extended her contract with Györ to stay close to him
- > scored a personal best 68 goals and was named CL All-star right wing in 2020/21
- > Hungarian international since 2014, scored nearly 300 goals in over 100 matches
- > CL All-star right wing in 2020/21

Cup Winners' Cup 2012 CL 2020/21



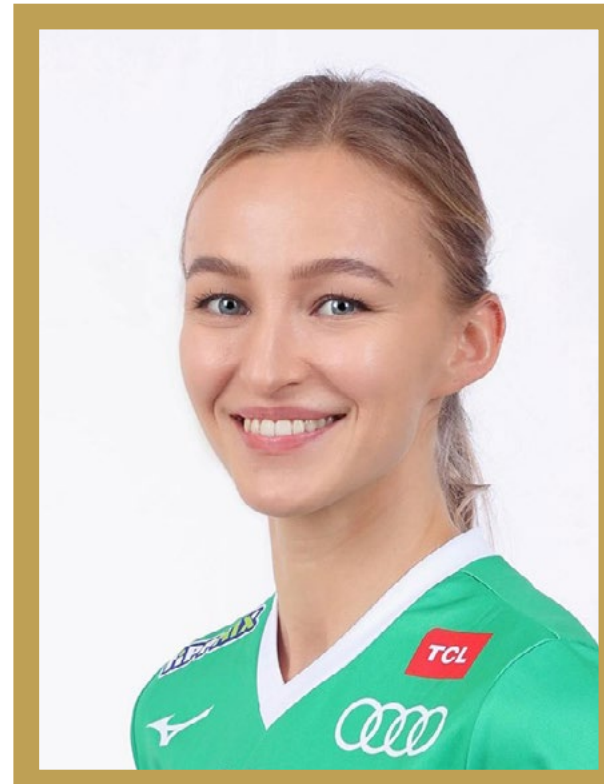
# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Ana  
Gros**

@anagros6

**102 GOALS**



**Stine  
Oftedal**

@stineoftedal

**71 GOALS**



**Estelle  
Nze Minko**

@estellenzeminko

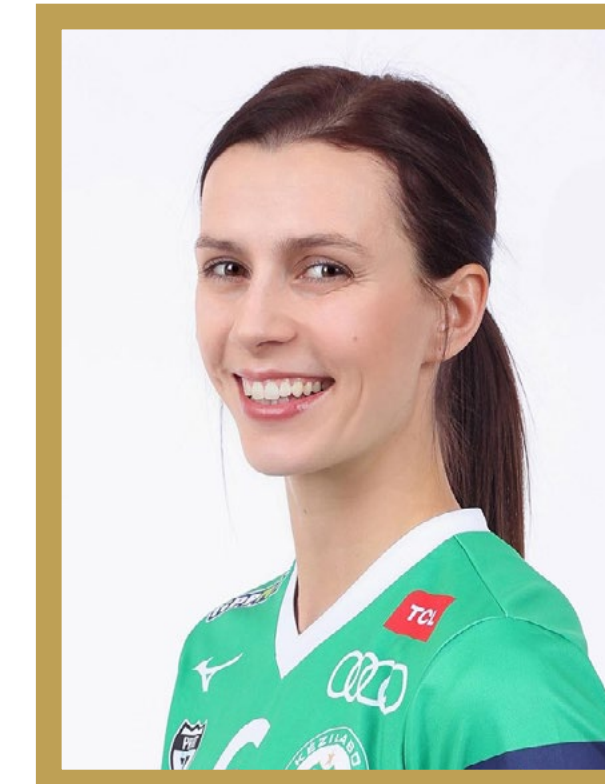
**68 GOALS**



**Linn  
Blohm**

@blohmlinn

**58 GOALS**



**Nadine  
Schatzl**

@schatzl\_nada

**39 GOALS**







# IK SÄVEHOF

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### LIGHT



### DARK



Record Swedish champions IK Sävehof will play their 13th season in the EHF Champions League this year after missing out on European competition in 2022/23, when they lost to Thüringer HC in EHF European League qualification.

Sävehof will be hoping for a better showing than in 2021/22; they finished seventh in group B that year with 11 losses.

GROUP A





# IK SÄVEHOF

## MAIN FACTS

- > Sävehof return to the EHF Champions League Women after a one-year hiatus, after failing to make the cut for the play-offs two seasons ago
- > the Swedish side has won only 16 of their 92 games played in the European premium competition, with a maximum of three wins in a single season
- > Sävehof will become only the 14th team in history to feature 100 times in the EHF Champions League Women, needing only eight games to reach this milestone
- > their most experienced player in the roster is right wing Carmen Martin, Spain's former captain, who won the title with CSM Bucuresti and has scored 366 goals in her Champions League career
- > the Swedish champions have the lowest average age of the 16 teams this season, with their players averaging only 21 years old

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 13

Main Round (4): 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2019/20

Group Phase (1): 2021/22

Group Matches (4): 2007/08, 2010/11, 2012/13, 2018/19

Qualification (2): 2006/07, 2011/12

### **Other**

*Cup Winners' Cup*: Last 16: 2011/12

*Swedish league*: 17 titles (1993, 2000, 2006-07, 2009-16, 2018-19, 2021-23)

*Swedish cup*: 1 title (2023)



## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2007/08 IK Sävehof SWE	6	1	1	4	172:191		-19	3:9	4th Gr. B
2010/11 IK Sävehof SWE	6	0	0	6	163:212		-49	0:12	4th Gr. A
2012/13 IK Sävehof SWE	6	1	0	5	174:192		-18	2:10	4th Gr. C
2013/14 IK Sävehof SWE	12	3	3	6	318:339		-21	9:15	4th MR Gr. 1
2014/15 IK Sävehof SWE	12	1	3	8	279:345		-66	5:19	5th MR Gr. 2
2015/16 IK Sävehof SWE	12	3	0	9	286:331		-45	6:18	6th MR Gr. 2
2016/17 IK Sävehof SWE	6	2	0	4	150:170		-20	4:8	4th Gr. D
2018/19 IK Sävehof SWE	6	0	0	6	144:204		-60	0:12	4th Gr. B
2019/20 IK Sävehof SWE	12	2	1	9	273:340		-67	5:19	6th MR Gr. 2
2021/22 IK Sävehof SWE	14	3	0	11	351:461		-110	6:22	7th Gr. B
<b>Total:</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>2310:2785</b>		<b>-475</b>	<b>40:144</b>	





EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

**3** MATCHES  
Longest winning run

**4** MATCHES  
Longest unbeaten run

**42** GOALS  
Most goals

**Biggest win** 21:34 (10:17) v MKS Selgros Lublin POL (a), 30.10.2015

**Biggest defeat** 41:19 (20:9) v Györi Audi ETO KC (a), 30.10.2021

**Longest winning run** 3 matches (12.10.2013 – 03.11.2013)

**Longest unbeaten run** 4 matches (12.10.2013 – 10.11.2013)

**Longest losing run** 12 matches (12.01.2008 – 11.11.2012)

**Longest run without win** 15 matches (10.11.2013 – 06.02.2015)

**Most goals** 36 v 1. FC Nürnberg GER 36:34W (h), 11.11.2007

**Most goals opponent** 42 v Vipers Kristiansand NOR 23:42L (h), 09.01.2022

**Most goals both teams** 70 v 1. FC Nürnberg GER 36:34W (h), 11.11.2007  
70 v Viborg HK DEN 37:33L (a), 14.11.2010  
70 v Larvik NOR 39:31L (a), 13.10.2012  
70 v Larvik NOR 32:38L (h), 13.11.2016

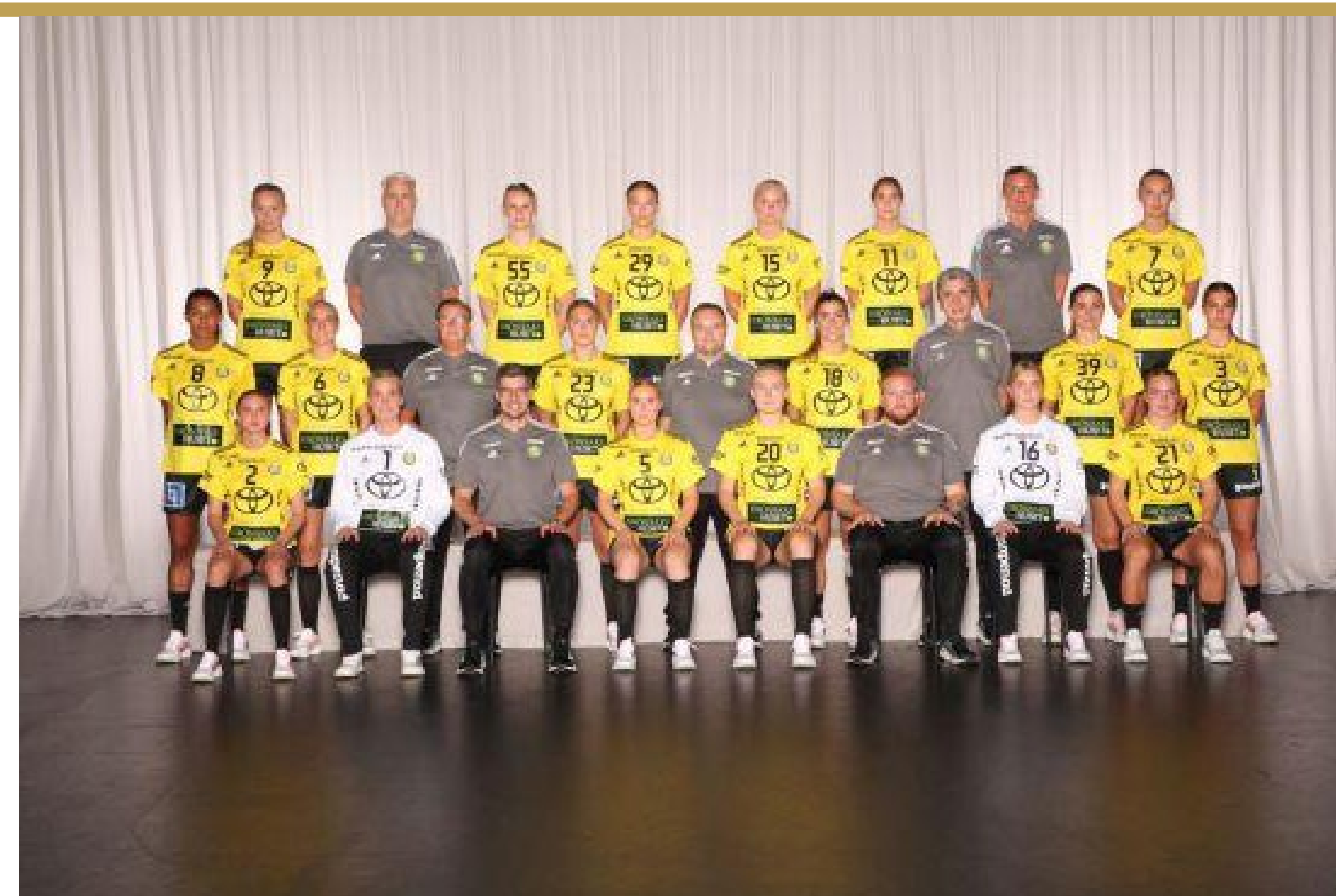
**Fewest goals** 17 v Larvik NOR 25:17L (a), 14.03.2015  
17 v CSM Bucuresti ROU 17:28L (h), 23.10.2015  
17 v SCM Ramnicu Valcea ROU 17:23L (h), 02.02.2020  
17 v Brest Bretagne Handball FRA 17:29L (h), 08.03.2020

**Fewest goals opponent** 19 v DHK Banik Most CZE 24:19W (h), 02.11.2019

**Fewest goals both teams** 40 v SCM Ramnicu Valcea ROU 17:23L (h), 02.02.2020

## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
<b>1</b>	<b>Johanna</b>	<b>Bundsen C</b>	<b>SWE</b>	<b>Goalkeeper</b>	<b>03/06/1991</b>	<b>Bäve, SWE</b>	<b>185</b>
2	Ida	Sembe	SWE	Right Wing	16/09/2002	Partille, SWE	168
3	Stella	Huselius	SWE	Left Wing	22/07/2004	S:t Göran Stockholm, SWE	173
4	Thea	Stankiewicz	SWE	Centre Back	19/01/1998	Tönsberg, NOR	178
5	Ida	Landberg	SWE	Centre Back	07/05/2005	Sävedalen, SWE	169
6	Tindra	Carlsson	SWE	Right Back	16/05/2004	Caroli, SWE	176
7	Elin	Heikka	SWE	Centre Back	03/07/2002	Landvetter, SWE	176
8	Johanna	Forsberg	SWE	Line Player	16/10/1995	Härlanda, SWE	178
9	Nina	Koppang	SWE	Right Back	31/05/2002	Vadstena, SWE	177
11	Stina	Wiksfors	SWE	Line Player	23/08/2004	Partille, SWE	181
12	Line	Bergfeldt	SWE	Goalkeeper	07/11/2004	Härlanda, SWE	175
13	Irma	Vester Kocanovic	SWE	Left Back	13/02/2003	Hjo, SWE	175
14	Madeleine	Rehnberg	SWE	Right Back	22/05/2004	Norrstrand, SWE	176
16	Selma	Hasanbegovic	SWE	Goalkeeper	23/05/2005	Vänernborg, SWE	175
18	Laura	Jensen	DEN	Centre Back	02/05/1999	Billund, DEN	171
19	Olivia	Mellegård	SWE	Left Wing	17/06/1996	Tynnered, SWE	178
<b>20</b>	<b>Thea</b>	<b>Blomst C</b>	<b>SWE</b>	<b>Line Player</b>	<b>27/08/2002</b>	<b>Härlanda, SWE</b>	<b>182</b>
22	Carmen	Martin	ESP	Right Wing	29/05/1988	Almeria, ESP	169
25	Emma	Mihailovic	SWE	Centre Back	10/02/2004	Vinslöv, SWE	183
26	Emma	Andersson	SWE	Left Wing	11/01/2005	Nylöse, SWE	166
27	Thea	Kylberg	SWE	Right Back	20/06/2004	Sofia, SWE	183
28	Julia	Jonasson	SWE	Line Player	04/04/2005	Anderslöv, SWE	178
29	Amanda	Källström	SWE	Centre Back	22/10/2003	Bollnäs, SWE	172
30	Annie	Linder	SWE	Goalkeeper	10/03/1999	Synnerby, SWE	179
31	Tindra	Möller Holmén	SWE	Right Wing	09/11/2005	Partille, SWE	172
32	Maja	Portillo	SWE	Left Back	23/06/2006	Sävedalen, SWE	186
35	Wilma	Saul	SWE	Goalkeeper	05/06/2006	Nylöse, SWE	178
55	Felicia	Granat	SWE	Left Back	09/02/2004	S:t Pauli, SWE	180







COACH



**Jesper Östlund**



- > retired from the playing when he was only 24 years old to focus on coaching
- > his first steps were at Skanela and Hallby, promoting the latter to the first league for the first time in 50 years, has also coached the Sweden men's Under-19 team and the women's Under-20 side
- > he took over Sävehof in 2022, his first challenge with a women's club in his career, and won the domestic league and the Swedish Cup in the first season in charge
- > his brother, Viktor, was also a handball player, who featured for Sweden's national team 43 times and won the silver medal at the EHF EURO 2018

DEPARTURES

- Frida Rosell > (ESBF Besacon, FRA)
- Mai Kragballe > (Aarhus United, DEN)
- Wilma Kroon Andersson > retired
- Linn Johansson > N/A
- Elin Ernelind > (HK Aranäs, SWE - loan)

ARRIVALS


- Annie Linder < (Skövde HF, SWE)
- Thea Stankiewicz < (Aarhus United, DEN)



GOALKEEPER 


**Johanna Bundsen**

 @bundsen



LEFT WING 

**Stella Huselius**

 @stellahuselius



CENTRE BACK 

**Laura Jensen**

 @lauraceciliejensen\_



CENTRE BACK 

**Emma Mihailovic**

 @emma\_mihailovic

- > returned in the summer of 2022 to her first club, IK Sävehof, after spending five years at København Håndbold in Denmark, these two are the only clubs she played for in her career
- > is widely regarded as one of Sweden's all-time best goalkeepers, won the bronze medal at the EHF EURO 2014, and is a nine-time champion with Sävehof
- > first selected to play for the senior national team in 2009, has over 120 matches with Sweden's national team
- > has a daughter, Leah, born in March 2020, when Bundsen stopped her career to give birth

- > she made her debut in the CL for Sävehof at only 17 years old, in the 2021/22 season, she also made the senior national team
- > signed her first professional contract in June, with Sävehof, she starred for Sweden at the 2022 IHF Women's Youth World Championship and at the W19 EHF EURO 2023, being one of the top scorers of the team
- > her father, Kristian, played 686 games in the NHL and was one of the most recognised Swedish hockey players ever
- > has a younger sister, Nova, who is also playing handball

- > made her debut in the CL when she was only 17 years old at Ikast Handbold
- > has previously played for TTH Holstebro, moved to Sävehof in 2021, when she played in the CL and scored 40 goals
- > was one of the top scorers of her generation for the U18 and U20 Denmark national teams, but did not make her debut in the senior team
- > loves to bake and cook, stated in an interview that she created her own sourdough and likes experimenting in the kitchen

- > played for Vinslövs HK and Kristianstad HK, before being snapped by IK Sävehof, as she projects to be a huge talent
- > she starred for Sweden at the 2022 IHF Women's Youth World Championship and at the W19 EHF EURO 2023, being one of the top scorers of the team
- > helped Sävehof win five domestic trophies, including in the juniors category in 2023
- > her father, Dragan, is a former handball player and a former coach for Swedish powerhouse IFK Kristianstad

EURO: B 2014





CENTRE BACK 

**Thea Stankiewicz**

@theastankewicz

- > born in Norway, Stankiewicz played for teams in Norway and Denmark, at Fana, Tertnes and Aarhus
- > she chose to play for Sweden, despite living in Norway for most of her childhood
- > her older sister, Vilde, has also played handball and also worked as an assistant coach • her father, Jan, has represented Sweden in 86 international matches, being one of the best Swedish goalkeepers in history




LINE PLAYER 

**Thea Blomst**

@theablomst

- > despite being only 20 years old, she was named as the second captain of the club, having been bred in Sävehof's renowned academy
- > had a breakthrough season in the 2022/23 season for the Swedish champions, being a key player for the side
- > has played for the junior and youth Sweden national teams, also made her debut in the senior team in April 2022
- > has played for Sävehof her entire career, making her debut in the Swedish league when she was only 17 years old



RIGHT BACK 

**Nina Koppang**

@ninakoppang

- > also played football until 2019, when she started focusing on handball, became champion with Sävehof in 2022 and 2023
- > played for the Swedish Under 16 national football team, but was also named the All-Star right back at the Women's 17 EHF EURO in 2021
- > made her debut for the national team in April 2021, has been featuring constantly ever since
- > she is a half-sister of Swedish football player Stina Blacktenius



RIGHT WING 

**Carmen Martin**

@carmen\_martin4

- > has 358 goals in the CL before the start of the 2023/24 season and is the third best scorer in the history of Spain's national team, with 820 goals
- > All-star right wing of CL 2016/17, when she scored 65 times, and at three EHF EURO editions in 2014, 2016 and 2018, she was also the captain of Spain's national team
- > has won the domestic league in Spain, Slovenia, Romania and Sweden, with Sävehof being her eighth club in her career
- > studied for a degree in tourism, speaks fluent English and French

CL 2016 EURO: S 2008, S 2014; WCh: B 2011; OG: B 2012



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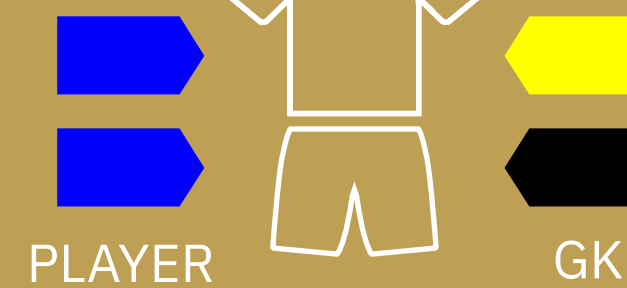


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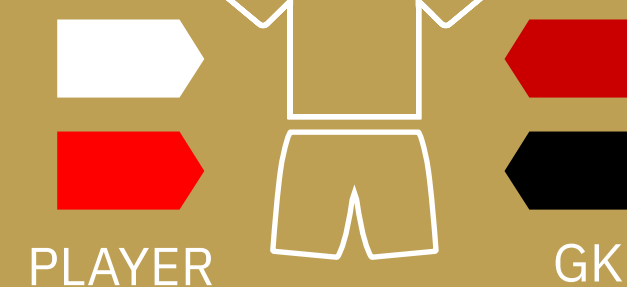
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## KIT COLOURS

### DARK



### LIGHT



For a second year running SG BBM Bietigheim earned their place in the EHF Champions League Women after winning the Bundesliga in Germany.

The 2022 EHF European League Women champions have something to prove in the European top competition after a rollercoaster season in 2022/23, when a strong start - which included wins against eventual finalists Vipers Kristiansand and FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria dissolved into a series of losses.

**GROUP A**





# SG BBM BIETIGHEIM

## MAIN FACTS

- > despite almost doubling the number of wins from their previous four seasons in the EHF Champions League Women, with five in 14 matches, Bietigheim still failed to make the cut for the knockout phase last season
- > the German side bounced back in the domestic league and sealed back-to-back titles for the first time in their history, after an unbeaten season
- > Bietigheim have a new coach in Jakob Vestergaard, who returns to the Champions League after seven years. Vestergaard replaces Markus Gaugisch, who from this summer onwards, will focus solely on coaching Germany
- > Bietigheim need only 73 goals to reach the 1,500-goal milestone in the European top competition
- > the German side lost important players in right back Julia Maidhof and right wing Trine Ostergaard, but had five players joining, including former Győr right wing Dorottya Faluvegi

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 6

Play-offs (1): 2020/21

Main Round (1): 2017/18

Group Phase (1): 2022/23

Group Matches (2): 2018/19, 2019/20

### **Other**

EHF European League: Winners 2021/22

EHF Cup: Final: 2016/17; Group Phase 2018/19, 2019/20

German league: 4 titles (2017, 2019, 2022, 2023)

German cup: 3 titles (2021, 2022, 2023)



## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2017/18 SG BBM Bietigheim GER	12	4	0	8	296:342		-46	8:16	6th MR Gr. 2
2018/19 SG BBM Bietigheim GER	6	1	1	4	162:182		-20	3:9	4th Gr. D
2019/20 SG BBM Bietigheim GER	6	1	0	5	171:197		-26	2:10	4th Gr. C
2020/21 SG BBM Bietigheim GER	16	1	1	14	366:455		-89	3:29	Play-offs
2022/23 SG BBM Bietigheim GER	14	5	2	7	432:388		+44	12:16	7th Gr. A
<b>Total:</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1427:1564</b>		<b>-137</b>	<b>28:80</b>	





EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

**3** MATCHES  
Longest  
winning run

**5** MATCHES  
Longest  
unbeaten run

**47** GOALS  
Most goals

**Biggest win** 23:46 (12:23) v DHK Banik Most CZE (a), 11.09.2022

**Biggest defeat** 20:37 (8:18) v Györi Audi ETO KC HUN (h), 07.03.2021

**Longest winning run** 3 matches (22.10.2017 – 12.11.2017)

**Longest unbeaten run** 5 matches (11.09.2022 – 16.10.2022)

**Longest losing run** 8 matches (21.10.2018 – 02.11.2019)

**Longest run without win** 8 matches (21.10.2018 – 02.11.2019)  
8 matches (23.10.2022 – 04.02.2023)

**Most goals** 47 v DHK Banik Most CZE 47:25W (h), 12.02.2023

**Most goals opponent** 38 v HC Vardar MKD 26:38L (h), 04.02.2018

**Most goals both teams** 72 v DHK Banik Most CZE 47:25W (h), 12.02.2023

**Fewest goals** 20 v Györi Audi ETO KC HUN 20:37L (h), 07.03.2021

**Fewest goals opponent** 20 v FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN 40:20W (h), 18.09.2022

**Fewest goals both teams** 44 v RK Krim Mercator SLO 22:22D (h), 10.01.2021



TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
4	Kaba	Gassama Cissokho	ESP	Line Player	16/08/1997	Granollers, ESP	180
5	Antje	Döll	GER	Left Wing	03/10/1988	Haldensleben, GER	170
7	Klara	Birtic	CRO	Right Back	28/03/2002	Slavonski Brod, CRO	180
10	Inger	Smits	NED	Centre Back	17/09/1994	Geleen, NED	179
12	Melinda	Szikora	HUN	Goalkeeper	19/11/1988	Kiskunfélegyháza, HUN	175
14	Karolina	Kudlacz-Gloc	POL	Back	17/01/1985	Wabrzezno, POL	178
19	Anne	With Johansen	DEN	Right Back	22/04/2004	Ringsted, DEN	172
20	Sofia	Hvenfelt	SWE	Line Player	23/04/1996	Göteborg, SWE	180
21	Kelly	Dulfer	NED	Left Back	21/03/1994	Schiedam, NED	185
<b>22</b>	<b>Xenia</b>	<b>Smits C</b>	<b>GER</b>	<b>Left Back</b>	<b>22/04/1994</b>	<b>Antwerpen, BEL</b>	<b>182</b>
23	Isabelle	Andersson	SWE	Centre Back	12/03/2000	Ösmo, SWE	177
24	Danick	Snelder	NED	Line Player	22/05/1990	Pijnacker, NED	178
30	Jenny	Behrend	GER	Right Wing	20/01/1996	Rendsburg, GER	172
48	Dorottya	Faluvégi	HUN	Right Wing	31/03/1998	Budapest, HUN	170
67	Veronika	Malá	CZE	Left Wing	06/05/1994	Pisek, CZE	169
94	Gabriela	Dias Moreschi	BRA	Goalkeeper	08/07/1994	Portugesa, BRA	190







## COACH



**Jakob Vestergaard**



- > signed for Bietigheim in 2023, returning to the CL after a seven-year wait, has coached Viborg, Oltchim and CSM Bucuresti in the European top competition
- > previously coached Viborg in 2008-11 and led the club to back-to-back CL titles, in 2009 and 2010
- > other clubs he coached include Aalborg, Randers and Romanian sides Ramnicu Valcea and CSM Bucuresti
- > also led the national teams of Australia (2007-08) and Germany (2015-16)

**EC trophies: CL 2009, 2010**

## DEPARTURES

- |                    |   |                              |
|--------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Trine Østergaard   | > | (CSM Bucuresti, ROU)         |
| Kim Naidzinavicius | > | (HSG Bensheim/Auerbach, GER) |
| Julia Maidhof      | > | (Ramnicu Valcea, ROU)        |
| Kerstin Kündig     | > | (Thüringer HC, GER)          |
| Annika Mayer       | > | (Horsens HH, DEN)            |

## ARRIVALS

- |                    |   |                            |
|--------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Sofia Hvenfelt     | < | (Kopenhagen Handbold, DEN) |
| Isabelle Andersson | < | (H 65 Höörs, SWE)          |
| Dorottya Faluvégi  | < | (Györi Audi ETO KC, HUN)   |
| Klara Birtic       | < | (Lokomotiva Zagreb, CRO)   |
| Anne With Johansen | < | (Ajax Kopenhagen, DEN)     |



GOALKEEPER 

**Melinda Szikora**

@sziki\_

- > Hungarian international, who signed for Bietigheim in 2021, after a career spanning more than 15 years for six clubs in her native Hungary
- > loves extreme sports, such as bungee jumping, but acknowledged that she has to take a step back from them after two knee injuries that sidelined her for a year
- > regular in Hungarian national team, part of the squads for EHF EURO 2016 and 2020

EL 2022



LEFT WING 

**Veronika Malá**

@veronika\_mala67

- > Czech left wing, who arrived in Bietigheim from Paris 92 in the summer of 2021
- > previously played one season in Germany – for VfL Oldenburg (2016/17)
- > one of the fastest left wings in Europe, prefers playing for teams with a fast attack
- > regular in Czech national team since 2015; played EHF EURO in 2016, 2018, and 2020

EL 2022



LEFT BACK 

**Karolina Kudlacz-Gloc**

@karolina\_kudlacz\_gloc

- > experienced Polish international, who has been plying her trade in Germany since 2006 – first at HC Leipzig, since 2017 at SG BBM Bietigheim
- > top scorer at the W19 EHF EURO 2004, with 76 goals
- > set an EHF EURO record by scoring 17 times for Poland against North Macedonia in 2006; a feat later matched by Sweden's Nathalie Hagman at the EHF EURO 2018
- > has a degree in psychology from the University of Leipzig and is the mother of a boy, Jakub, born in 2017

EL 2022



LEFT BACK 

**Inger Smits**

@ingersmits

- > the daughter of former handball players, Gino Smits and Cecille Leenen, her brothers, Kay and Jorn, are also professional handball players
- > Smits started handball in the Netherlands, moved to VfL Oldenburg in Germany and TTH Holstebro in Denmark, before signing for Dortmund in 2019 and Bietigheim in 2021
- > was also part of the team that won the 2019 WCh in Japan, one of the mainstays of the team's defence, both at club and at the national team level
- > her favourite athlete is another Dutchman, Rico Verhoeven, a martial arts fighter

EL 2022





CENTRE BACK 

**Kelly Dulfer**

@kellydulfer

- > arrived from then Bundesliga champions Dortmund in the summer of 2021 – and won the title again in her first two seasons with Bietigheim
- > an excellent defender, she was selected in the All-Star team for that position at the EHF EURO 2018
- > her first stint outside the Netherlands was for German side VfL Oldenburg, between 2015 and 2017, moved to Kobenhavn Handbold for two years before returning to Germany
- > won world title with Netherlands in 2019, she also secured the silver and bronze medals both at the EHF EURO and at the World Championship

EL 2022  
EURO: S 2016, B 2018 ; WCh: G 2019, S 2015, B 2017



LINE PLAYER 

**Kaba Gassama**

@kabagassama

- > born in Granollers, near Barcelona, Gassama became the first player from KH-7 Granollers to be selected in Spain's national team
- > from Granollers, she moved to Les Neptunes des Nantes, spent one season at Fleury Loiret before signing for Bietigheim in 2022
- > Kaba's older brother, Mamadou, is a handball player, while her younger brother, Sekou, is a football player
- > with roots in Senegal, where her parents hail from, Gassama organised a handball tournament in the African country in the summer of 2023

EL 2021





RIGHT BACK 

**Anne With Johansen**

@annewithjohansen

- > born in Copenhagen, she has played in her junior years and in her maiden two senior years for local club, Ajax Kobenhavn
- > was one of the best players in her generation in Denmark, winning the silver both at the W19 EHF EURO 2023 and at the 2022 IHF Women's Youth World Championship
- > in spite of her lack of experience, she is a truly modern player, with a fast change of direction and an excellent penchant of building up the game
- > signing for Bietigheim will see With Johansen try her first experience outside of Germany



RIGHT WING 

**Dorottya Faluvégi**

@Csibi48

- > her move to Bietigheim in the summer of 2023 is the first outside Hungary, played for rivals FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria between 2014 and 2019 before joining Győr in 2019
- > her brother, Rudolf, is a towering left back, who played for Balatonfüred, Csurgó, HBC Nantes, Rennes and Stuttgart and also for the Hungarian national team
- > completed undergraduate studies at the Faculty of Economics and Management of the Budapest University of Technology in 2020
- > became the All-star right wing at the IHF Junior WCh in 2018, where she won the gold medal with Hungary



# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Kelly  
Dulfer**

@kellydulfer

**48 GOALS**



**Kim  
Naidzinavicius**

@kimjulia15

**47 GOALS**



**Trine  
Jensen Østergaard**

@toestergaard

**45 GOALS**



**Kaba  
Gassama**

@kabagassama

**40 GOALS**



**Xenia  
Smits**

@xenia\_smits

**40 GOALS**







# BREST BRETAGNE HANDBALL

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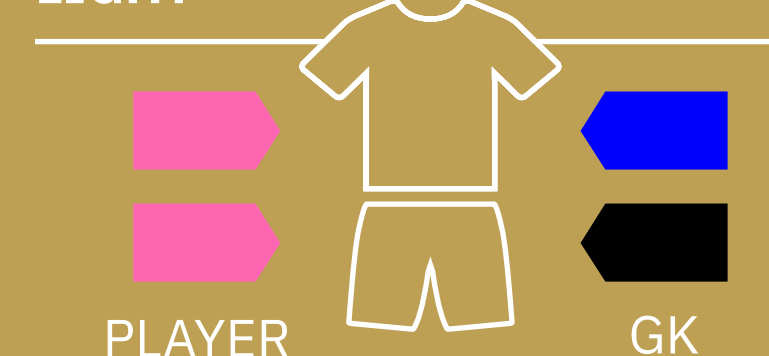
**Capacity:**  
**4,077**

## KIT COLOURS

### DARK



### LIGHT



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Brest Bretagne Handball are regulars in the EHF Champions League Women and this year will be their seventh season in the competition.

The French side reached the final in 2020/21, but have struggled since then to find the same form. A refreshed squad could help them challenge in a tough group.

GROUP A



# BREST BRETAGNE HANDBALL

## MAIN FACTS

- > Brest have played in the past six consecutive seasons in the European premium competition and will reach the 100-match mark if they qualify from the group phase, being 18 games shy of that performance
- > the French side need only four wins to reach the 40-win mark in the EHF Champions League Women, but last season got only five wins, half of the number registered in each of the previous three seasons
- > Brest have received a wild card for this season's competition after finishing second in the French league, behind rivals Metz Handball
- > the French side lost right back Monika Kobylinska to CSM Bucuresti, and right wing Pauline Coatanea due to pregnancy, but brought several interesting players on board including experienced left back Alexandrina Cabral and a player with huge potential, Charlotte Cholevova

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 7

Final (1): 2020/21

Quarter-finals (2): 2019/20\*, 2021/22

Play-off (1): 2022/23

Main Round (1): 2018/19

Group Matches (1): 2017/18

\* 2019/20 season not played to a finish due to Covid-19 pandemic

### **Other**

*EHF Cup*: quarter-finals 2016/17

*French league*: 2 titles (2012, 2021)

*French cup*: 3 titles (2016, 2018, 2021)





## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2017/18 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA	6	0	0	6	132:157		-25	0:12	4th Gr. B
2018/19 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA	12	2	3	7	326:350		-24	7:17	6th MR Gr. 1
2019/20 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA	12	10	1	1	382:315		+67	21:3	Quarter-final*
2020/21 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA	20	10	6	4	562:512		+50	26:14	Runner-up
2021/22 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA	18	9	2	7	489:472		+17	20:16	Quarter-final
2022/23 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA	16	5	2	9	426:433		-7	12:20	Play-offs
<b>Total:</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2317:2239</b>		<b>+78</b>	<b>86:82</b>	

\* Quarter-finals and EHF FINAL4 cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.



EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

6	MATCHES Longest winning run
10	MATCHES Longest unbeaten run
46	GOALS Most goals

<b>Biggest win</b>	30:46 (14:22) v DHK Banik Most (a), 14.01.2023
<b>Biggest defeat</b>	39:26 (17:13) v Metz Handball FRA (a), 03.03.2019
<b>Longest winning run</b>	6 matches (05.10.2019 – 16.11.2019)
<b>Longest unbeaten run</b>	10 matches (10.03.2019 – 09.02.2020)
<b>Longest losing run</b>	7 matches (07.10.2017 - 06.10.2018)
<b>Longest run without win</b>	8 matches (07.10.2017 - 13.10.2018)
	8 matches (10.11.2018 – 10.03.2019)
<b>Most goals</b>	46 v DHK Banik Most CZE 30:46W (a), 14.01.2023
<b>Most goals opponent</b>	39 v Metz Handball FRA 39:26L (a), 03.03.2019
<b>Most goals both teams</b>	70 v BV Borussia 09 Dortmund GER 29:41W (a), 20.09.2020
<b>Fewest goals</b>	17 v Györi Audi ETO KC HUN 26:17L (a), 18.11.2017
<b>Fewest goals opponent</b>	17 v IK Sävehof SWE 17:29W (a), 08.03.2020
<b>Fewest goals both teams</b>	41 v FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN 20:21W (a), 24.09.2022



## TEAM ROSTER

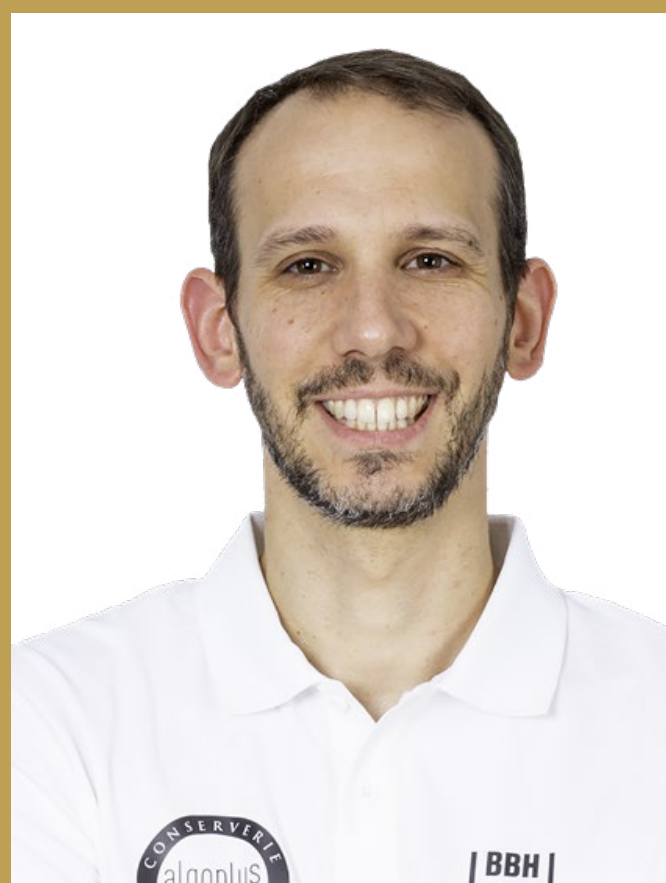
No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
2	Constance	Mauny	FRA	Left Wing	17/12/1998	Chambray-lès-Tours, FRA	172
3	Alicia	Toublanc	FRA	Right Wing	03/05/1996	Saint-Brieuc, FRA	170
5	Carla	Broquaire	FRA	Line Player	24/05/2004	Lorient, FRA	178
9	Djurdjina	Jaukovic	MNE	Left Back	24/02/1997	Niksic, MNE	186
10	Coralie	Lassource	FRA	Left Wing	01/09/1992	Maisons-Laffitte, FRA	170
11	Lou	Fauvarque	FRA	Centre Back	04/11/2005	Arpajon, FRA	174
12	Petra	Marinovic	CRO	Goalkeeper	29/06/2001	Split, CRO	180
13	Mélina	Cantin	FRA	Goalkeeper	25/11/2003	Brest, FRA	175
15	Juliette	Faure	FRA	Centre Back	23/10/1999	Ganges, FRA	164
16	Cléopatre	Darleux	FRA	Goalkeeper	01/07/1989	Mulhouse, FRA	175
19	Elisa	Techer	FRA	Left Back	14/10/2003	Sainte-Clotilde, FRA	182
20	Merel	Freriks	NED	Line Player	06/01/1998	Haarlemmermeer, NED	175
21	Aïssatou	Kouyaté	FRA	Right Back	19/04/1995	Clichy-la-Garenne, FRA	183
22	Pauletta	Foppa	FRA	Line Player	22/12/2000	Amilly, FRA	177
24	Katharina	Filter	GER	Goalkeeper	04/02/1999	Hamburg, GER	180
25	Corentine	Senant	FRA	Left Wing	08/02/2006	Landerneau, FRA	168
27	Charlotte	Cholevová	CZE	Left Back	29/07/2002	Ostrava, CZE	174
29	Justine	Raulo	FRA	Line Player	22/06/2003	Pontivy, FRA	180
30	Siobann	Delaye	FRA	Right Wing	01/06/2003	Romans-sur-Isère, FRA	173
42	Jenny	Carlson	SWE	Centre Back	17/04/1995	Göteborg, SWE	172
44	Romane	Lehuault-Parc	FRA	Goalkeeper	23/04/2005	Morlaix, FRA	183
55	Pauline	Coatanea	FRA	Right Wing	06/07/1993	Saint-Renan, FRA	165
61	Valeriia	Maslova	RUS	Right Back	23/01/2001	Rostov, RUS	188
63	Eva	Jarrige	FRA	Right Back	17/02/2000	Clermont-Ferrand, FRA	182
75	Audrey	Dembélé	FRA	Left Back	10/03/2001	Paris, FRA	183
86	Alexandrina	Cabral Barbosa	ESP	Left Back	05/05/1986	Alcántara, POR	175
91	Iva	Mladenovska	MKD	Right Back	14/01/2007	Skopje, MKD	180
97	Julie	Foggea	FRA	Goalkeeper	28/08/1990	Les Abymes, FRA	181







COACH



**Pablo Morel**



- > took over in 2021 from Laurent Bezeau, who had been in charge since 2013 and led Brest to the CL 2020/21 final
- > started his coaching career in 2003, when he was just 20
- > previously worked at Paris 92 – initially as assistant (2011-14), then as head coach (2014-16) – and at Celles-sur-Belle
- > gained international experience from working under head coach Jackson Richardson with the men’s national team of Gabon in 2017/18

DEPARTURES

- Darly Zoqbi de Paula > (Craiova, ROU)
- Estel Memana > (Noisy-le-Grand, FRA)
- Monika Kobylinska > (CSM Bucharest, ROU)
- Helene Fauske > (Nantes, FRA)
- Itana Grbic > (Krim, SLO)
- Tatjana Brnovic > (Krim, SLO)

ARRIVALS

- Katharina Filter < (Kobenhavn, DEN)
- Audrey Dembele < (Besançon, FRA)
- Shandy Barbosa < (Morvedre, ESP)
- Juliette Faure < (Besançon, FRA)
- Valeriia Maslova < (Metz, FRA)
- Iva Mladenoska < (Metalurg Skopje, MKD)
- Charlotte Cholevova < (Most, CZE)





GOALKEEPER 

**Cleopatre Darleux**

 @cleopatredarleux

- > played 2011/12 season in Brest before moving to Viborg and Nice, and eventually coming back to Brest in 2016, where she was the MVP of the French league in 2018
- > part of France team which won the gold medal at the 2017 WCh and the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, missed out on the gold medal at the EHF EURO 2018
- > gave birth to her first daughter in November 2019, came back to play handball a few months after
- > she opened a bar in 2018, which became a pizzeria in 2020, alongside former handball player, Marta Mangue

CWC 2014  
OG: G 2020; EURO: S 2020; WCh: G 2017, S 2009, 2011



LEFT WING 

**Coralie Lassource**

 @lassourcecoralie

- > born in France to parents from Martinique, she lived on the Caribbean Island for five years, between nine and 14 years old
- > her sister, Deborah, is also a handball player and has played as a left back for France
- > she was teammates with her sister at Paris 92 between 2014 and 2017, signed for Brest in 2019 and won her first trophies - the league title and the French Cup in 2021
- > known for her defensive abilities in the back court, she was the best defender in the French league in 2016 and the 2021 WCh All-star left wing

OG: G 2020; EURO: S 2020



LEFT BACK 

**Djurdjina Jaukovic**

 @djina\_jaukovic

- > started with handball aged nine in her home town Niksic, thanks to her father Jovo, former president of Sutjeska
- > arrived in Brest in summer of 2020 after seven seasons with Buducnost, has 370 goals in the CL before the start of the 2023/24 season
- > scored 63 CL goals in her first season with Brest, when the French side reached the final; missed most of the 2021/22 season with a knee injury, had another knee injury in 2023, but came back for the 2023/24 season
- > joined Buducnost in 2013 aged 15, named best young player in Montenegro twice (2014, 2015)

EURO: B 2022



LEFT BACK 

**Alexandrina Barbosa**

 @shandybarbosa86

- > Portuguese-born left back who gained Spanish citizenship in 2012
- > has played for 14 different clubs in six different countries since 2003 – and played from 2004 until 2014 in the CL, has 524 goals in the European premium competition
- > won national championships in Portugal, Spain, Germany, France, Russia and Romania
- > after her third stint in Romania, with CSM Bucuresti and Gloria Bistrita, she returned to Spain in 2022 with Morvedre
- > can speak Spanish, Portuguese, English, French and Romanian

WCh: S 2019

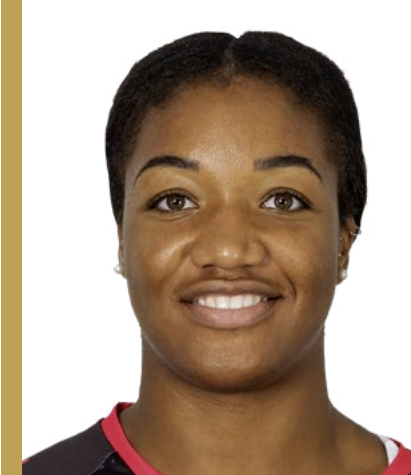



CENTRE BACK 

**Jenny Carlson**

@jennycaarlson / athletewithstoma

- > spent her early years at Swedish clubs Kärna and Lugåsa before moving to Denmark
- > left Holstebro in February 2022 after nearly two years to join Brest
- > had emergency ileostomy in 2018 after suffering with ulcerative colitis; uses her profile to raise awareness of life with a stoma
- > made national team debut in 2021 and was part of Sweden's OG, WCh and EURO 2022 squads, finishing fourth at the Tokyo OG



LINE PLAYER 

**Pauletta Foppa**

@pauletta.sorea

- > French international, whose star has been rising in recent seasons, as she was named in the All-star Teams of the CL 2020/21, the OG 2020, the 2021 WCh and EHF EURO 2022
- > at age 17, she was one of the youngest players to make their debut in the French national team – in November 2018, just before the home EHF EURO
- > scored a personal best 62 CL goals for Brest in 2021/22, at age 22, she has scored 174 goals already in the CL
- > All-star line player of the OG 2020, CL 2020/21, WCh 2021 and EURO 2022

EURO: G 2018, S 2020; OG: G 2020




RIGHT BACK 

**Valeriia Maslova**

@lrmasslova\_

- > Russian international, who started her career in her native Rostov and made her CL debut with that club in the 2017/18 season
- > reached the EHF FINAL4 in 2019, where Rostov lost in the final to Győr
- > joined Buducnost in 2020; scored 47 goals in the CL 2021/22 group phase before she returned to Russia to play for CSKA; moved on to Metz in the summer of 2022, continued her stint in France, signing with Brest in 2023
- > in May 2018, she made her debut in the Russian national team at age 17; won the 2018 Youth (U18) WCh in Poland three months later



RIGHT WING 

**Alicia Toublanc**

@blantouu

- > French international, who joined the youth ranks of Brest in 2014; signed her first professional contract with the club three years later
- > had her breakthrough CL season in 2021/22, scoring 77 times for Brest, has 175 goals in five seasons in the CL before the start of the 2023/24 season
- > was a regular in French youth and junior national teams, but only made senior debut at age 25 in October 2021; won silver at 2021 WCh in Spain two months later
- > suffered two devastating knee injuries when she was 19 and 21 years old, came back stronger after each one

WCh: S 2021



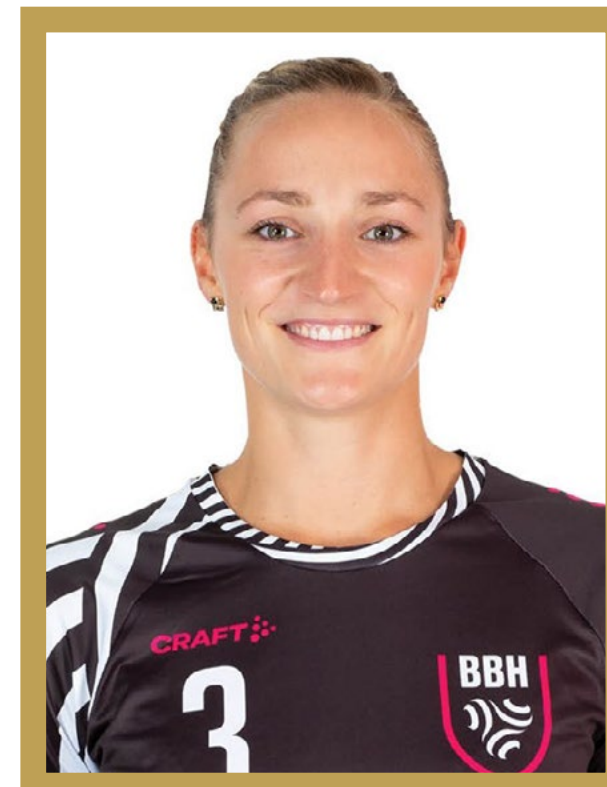


# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Djurdjina  
Jaukovic**

**63 GOALS**



**Alicia  
Toublanc**

@blantouu

**46 GOALS**



**Tatjana  
Brnovic**

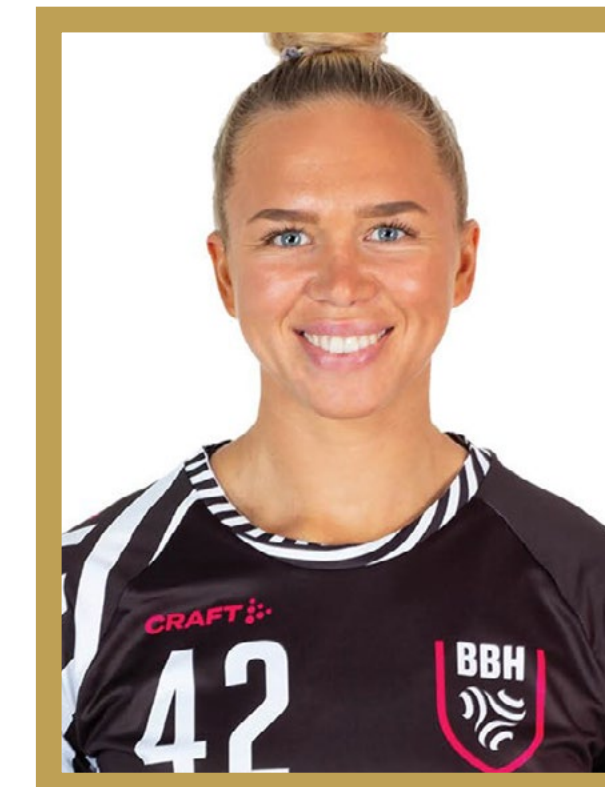
**45 GOALS**



**Monika  
Kobylinska**

@monika.kobylinska8

**42 GOALS**



**Jenny  
Carlsson**

@jennycarlson

**39 GOALS**





# CSM BUCUREȘTI

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## PLAYING HALL

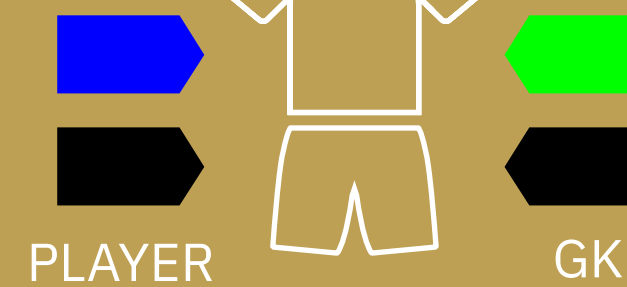


**Polyvalent Hall - Ioan Kunst  
Ghermanescu  
Calea Piscului Nr. 10, sector 4  
Bucuresti, Romania**

**Capacity:  
5,000**

## KIT COLOURS

### DARK



### LIGHT



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Once again the Sala Polivalenta in Bucharest will be packed out week after week in the EHF Champions League Women, with both CS Rapid Bucuresti and CSM Bucuresti playing their group phase matches in the hall.

With a new-look logo and strengthened squad, CSM are targeting a return to the top of the EHF FINAL4 podium in 2023/24 – a challenge which could be well within their grasp.

GROUP A





# CSM BUCUREȘTI

## MAIN FACTS

- > this will be the ninth consecutive season for CSM in the EHF Champions League Women, with the best result coming in their maiden appearance, when they won the trophy
- > CSM have stopped in the quarter-finals in the past five seasons. They made their last appearance at the EHF FINAL4 in the 2017/18 season, when they finished third
- > while CSM have lost left wing Siraba Dembele, they strengthened their squad in the back court, bringing in right backs Monika Kobylinska and Laura Flippes, as well as left wing Jennifer Gutierrez from rivals Rapid
- > CSM left back Cristina Neagu is the second all-time scorer in the European premium competition, with 1,029 goals in 15 seasons
- > currently tied with SCM Ramnicu Valcea for 72 wins, the next win for CSM will transform them into the Romanian side with the largest number of victories in the competition

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 9

Winners (1): 2015/16

Semi-finals (2): 2016/17, 2017/18

Quarter-finals (4): 2018/19, 2019/20\*, 2020/21, 2021/22

\* 2019/20 season not played to a finish due to Covid-19 pandemic

### **Other**

*EHF Cup*: Last 16 2011/12

*Romanian league*: 6 titles (2015-18, 2021, 2023)

*Romanian cup*: 6 titles (2016-19, 2022, 2023)



## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2015/16 CSM Bucuresti ROU	16	10	1	5	416:387		+29	21:11	Winner
2016/17 CSM Bucuresti ROU	16	10	1	5	427:407		+20	21:11	Third Place
2017/18 CSM Bucuresti ROU	16	10	1	5	455:395		+60	21:11	Third Place
2018/19 CSM Bucuresti ROU	14	6	1	7	400:390		+10	13:15	Quarter-final
2019/20 CSM Bucuresti ROU	12	7	1	4	314:288		+26	15:9	Quarter-final*
2020/21 CSM Bucuresti ROU	18	10	1	7	436:411		+25	21:15	Quarter-final
2021/22 CSM Bucuresti ROU	18	9	2	7	437:395		+42	20:16	Quarter-final
2022/23 CSM Bucuresti ROU	16	10	2	4	498:451		+47	22:10	Quarter-final
<b>Total:</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>3383:3124</b>		<b>+259</b>	<b>154:98</b>	

\* Quarter-finals and EHF FINAL4 cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.





EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

6	MATCHES Longest winning run
7	MATCHES Longest unbeaten run
40	GOALS Most goals

<b>Biggest win</b>	35:19 (16:10) v MKS Perla Lublin POL (h), 19.10.2019
<b>Biggest defeat</b>	33:23 (19:10) v FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN (a), 25.01.2020
<b>Longest winning run</b>	6 matches (04.12.2022 – 22.01.2023)
<b>Longest unbeaten run</b>	7 matches (04.12.2022 – 05.02.2023)
<b>Longest losing run</b>	3 matches (22.10.2016 – 04.11.2016)
	3 matches (10.11.2019 – 25.01.2020)
	3 matches (19.11.2020 – 16.01.2021)
	3 matches (11.04.2021 – 18.09.2021)
	3 matches (12.02.2023 – 07.05.2023)
<b>Longest run without win</b>	5 matches (23.02.2019 – 13.04.2019)
<b>Most goals</b>	40 v DHK Banik Most CZE 40:25W (h), 16.10.2022
	40 v Odense Håndbold DEN 40:31W (h), 14.01.2023
<b>Most goals opponent</b>	38 v HC Vardar MKD 33:38L (n), 06.05.2017
<b>Most goals both teams</b>	71 v HC Vardar MKD 33:38L (n), 06.05.2017
	71 v Odense Håndbold DEN 40:31W (h), 14.01.2023
<b>Fewest goals</b>	19 v CSKA RUS 24:19L (a), 11.04.2021
<b>Fewest goals opponent</b>	17 v IK Sävehof SWE 17:28W (a), 23.10.2015
<b>Fewest goals both teams</b>	42 v Rostov-Don RUS 20:22W (a), 11.11.2016



TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
1	Laura	Glauser	FRA	Goalkeeper	20/08/1993	Besancon, FRA	178
2	Mihaela	Mihai	ROU	Right Wing	15/12/2004	Bucharest, ROU	178
3	Emilie Hegh	Arntzen	NOR	Left Back	01/01/1994	Porsgrunn, NOR	184
4	Ramona	Apuscaroae	ROU	Right Wing	25/10/2004	Bucharest, ROU	
5	Maria	Voicu	ROU	Centre Back	01/04/2006	Bucharest, ROU	
7	Grace	Zaadi	FRA	Centre Back	07/07/1993	Courcouronnes, FRA	171
<b>8</b>	<b>Cristina</b>	<b>Neagu C</b>	<b>ROU</b>	<b>Left Back</b>	<b>26/08/1988</b>	<b>Bucharest, ROU</b>	<b>180</b>
9	Dana	Rotaru	ROU	Centre Back	20/02/1994	Brasov, ROU	175
10	Angela	Stoica	ROU	Left Back	24/08/2003	Ploiesti, ROU	182
11	Mioara	Ciubotaru	ROU	Left Back	14/04/2006	Focsani, ROU	182
12	Marie	Skurtveit Davidsen	NOR	Goalkeeper	20/08/1993	Bergen, NOR	178
14	Zeljka	Nikolic	SRB	Right Wing	12/07/1991	Priboj, SRB	164
16	Evelina	Eriksson	SWE	Goalkeeper	20/08/1996	Österhaninge, SWE	185
17	Elizabeth	Omoregie	SLO	Centre Back	29/12/1996	Athens, GRE	178
18	Jennifer	Gutiérrez	ESP	Left Wing	20/02/1995	Horgen, SUI	169
20	Laura	Flippes	FRA	Right Back	13/12/1994	Strasbourg, FRA	171
21	Alexandra	Dindiligan	ROU	Left Wing	16/02/1997	Galati, ROU	174
22	Katia	Supiala	ROU	Line Player	21/03/2005	Bucharest, ROU	177
23	Larisa	Luca	ROU	Line Player	08/10/2005	Bucharest, ROU	
25	Trine	Jensen Østergaard	DEN	Right Wing	17/10/1991	Skanderborg, DEN	166
28	Monika	Kobylnska	POL	Right Back	09/04/1995	Zary, POL	177
31	Maria	Morogan	ROU	Right Back	20/05/2004	Bucharest, ROU	175
32	Ioana	Nita	ROU	Goalkeeper	04/05/2006	Bucharest, ROU	
40	Irina	Maxim	ROU	Right Back	28/11/2005	Tirgu Neamt, ROU	180
49	Andreea	Ailincai	ROU	Line Player	15/12/2003	Bacau, ROU	185
51	Vilde	Ingstad	NOR	Line Player	18/12/1994	Oslo, NOR	178
77	Crina	Pintea	ROU	Line Player	03/04/1990	Podu Turcului, ROU	192







COACH



**Adrian Vasile**



- > former right wing for Steaua Bucuresti between 2001 and 2011, won the Challenge Cup in 2006
- > started coaching career as strength and conditioning coach at Steaua before joining CSM in 2014 as assistant to Mette Klit
- > won the CL in 2016 as assistant coach of Kim Rasmussen; took over as head coach of CSM in 2019

**Challenge Cup 2006 (as player), CL 2016 (as assistant coach)**

DEPARTURES

- |                    |   |                           |
|--------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Siraba Dembele     | > | retired                   |
| Andrea Klikovac    | > | retired                   |
| Ema Alivodic       | > | retired                   |
| Kalidiatou Niakate | > | WHC Buducnost BEMAX       |
| Malin Aune         | > | (Odense, DEN)             |
| Marina Sudakova    | > | N/A                       |
| Alicia Gogirla     | > | (SCM Ramnicu Valcea, ROU) |

ARRIVALS

- |                    |   |                                |
|--------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Laura Flippes      | < | (Paris 92, FRA)                |
| Trine Ostergaard   | < | (SG BBM Bietigheim, GER)       |
| Jennifer Gutierrez | < | (CS Rapid, ROU)                |
| Vilde Ingstad      | < | (Team Esbjerg, DEN)            |
| Monika Kobylinska  | < | (Brest Bretagne, FRA)          |
| Zeljka Nikolic     | < | CS Gloria 2018 Bistrița-Năsăud |



GOALKEEPER 

**Laura Glauser**

 @lauraglauser

- > French international, who arrived at CSM in the summer of 2022 from Győr
- > spent 10 years at Metz in her native France before joining Győr in 2020 and made the CL 2021/22 All-star Team
- > gave birth to daughter Kaniela in 2018, returned to the court after three months
- > made national team debut in 2012, won five medals between 2016 and 2021

OG: S 2016; EURO: G 2018, S 2020, B 2016; WCh: S 2021



LEFT WING 

**Jennifer Gutierrez**

 @gb\_jenni

- > born in Horgen, Switzerland, but has Spanish citizenship, she lived there until she was six years old, when her parents went back to Spain and she started playing handball
- > arrived at Rapid in the summer of 2022 after two seasons with Dortmund, her first foreign club; previously played for Spanish sides Elche, Malaga, and Mecalia
- > best left wing in 2016/17 and MVP in 2019/20 of the Spanish league, an important member of Spain's national handball team
- > also a beach handball international; won world title with Spain in 2016

WCh: S 2019



LEFT BACK 

**Cristina Neagu**

 @cristinaneaguofficial

- > four-time IHF World Player of the Year, widely regarded as best Romanian player ever
- > left Romania in 2013 for Buducnost but returned to her hometown club CSM in 2017
- > three times the top scorer of the CL (2015, 2018, 2022), is the second all-time top goal scorer, with 1029 goals
- > all-time top scorer of the EHF EURO, with 303 goals, and was named the All-Star left back of the competition four times
- > WCh 2015 Most Valuable Player and top scorer, EURO 2010 top scorer
- > best left back at the EHF Excellence Awards 2023

CL 2015  
EURO: B 2010; WCh: B 2015



CENTRE BACK 

**Grace Zaadi**

 @gracezaadi

- > French international, who left Rostov to return to her former club Metz in March 2022 and play the EHF FINAL4 2022, before joining CSM in the summer of 2022
- > has Cameroonian heritage, her name, Grace, which can be translated to “mercy” or “blessing”, was passed to her by her grandmother
- > leading French national team player, won seven medals with France since 2016, including a golden hat-trick at the EHF EURO, World Championship and Olympic Games
- > started playing handball at the age of nine years old; she also tried football, before falling in love with handball

EURO: G 2018, S 2020, B 2016; OG: G 2020, S 2016;  
WCh: G 2017, S 2021





LINE PLAYER 

**Vilde Ingstad**

@vilde.ingstad

- > joined Esbjerg from Norwegian league club Oppsal IF in the summer of 2016, moved to CSM Bucuresti in the summer of 2023
- > a big and physically strong line player who is also very good in defence, became a crucial member of Norway's national team, with whom she won the gold medal at the EHF EURO and World Championship
- > Norwegian international, who was voted best league player in Denmark in 2018/19
- > hailing from a Norwegian mother and a Danish father, Ingstad has earned over 100 caps for Norway

EURO: G 2016, 2022, WCh: G 2015, 2021, S 2017



LINE PLAYER 

**Crina Elena Pintea**

@crinapintea11

- > re-joined from Győr in summer of 2022, after her earlier stint with CSM in 2019-21
- > won CL with Győr in 2019 and was named CL All-star line player that season
- > her younger sister, Andreea Ailincăi, is also a professional handball player with CSM
- > has an Eiffel tower tattoo since playing for Paris changed her life; her passion is knitting, using it to create facemasks during the Covid-19 pandemic

CL 2019 WCh B 2015



RIGHT BACK 

**Monika Kobylinska**

@monika.kobylinska8

- > a key player in both attack and defence, for both club and country, one of the most experienced Polish players
- > after playing for Gliwice and Plock, she moved to Gdynia, where she became the Polish league's top scorer in 2015/16, with 207 goals
- > won the Polish championship in 2017 and the Polish Cup in 2015 and 2016 with Gdynia
- > moved to German club Metzingen in 2017 before joining French side Brest Bretagne in 2019, where she spent four years before moving to CSM
- > has played for Poland's national team since 2015 and was a CL finalist with Brest in 2021



RIGHT WING 

**Trine Jensen**

- > Danish international, who arrived at Bietigheim in 2020 from Odense, her move to CSM Bucuresti is her second experience outside Denmark
- > gained a lot of CL experience during her nine seasons spent at Herning-Ikast, the club which formed her as a player, before moving to Odense in 2017
- > regular in the Danish national team since 2011, the second-most capped player in the roster, made the top 15 in the all-time top goal scorers and the top 20 in the all-time number of games played for Denmark
- > was also a decent football player until opting to play only handball at age 15

EL 2022; EHF Cup 2011; CWC 2015  
WCh: B 2013, 2021



# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Cristina  
Neagu**

@cristinaneaguofficial

**118** GOALS



**Elizabeth  
Omoregie**

@elizabethomoregie

**63** GOALS



**Siraba  
Dembele Pavlovic**

@sirab86

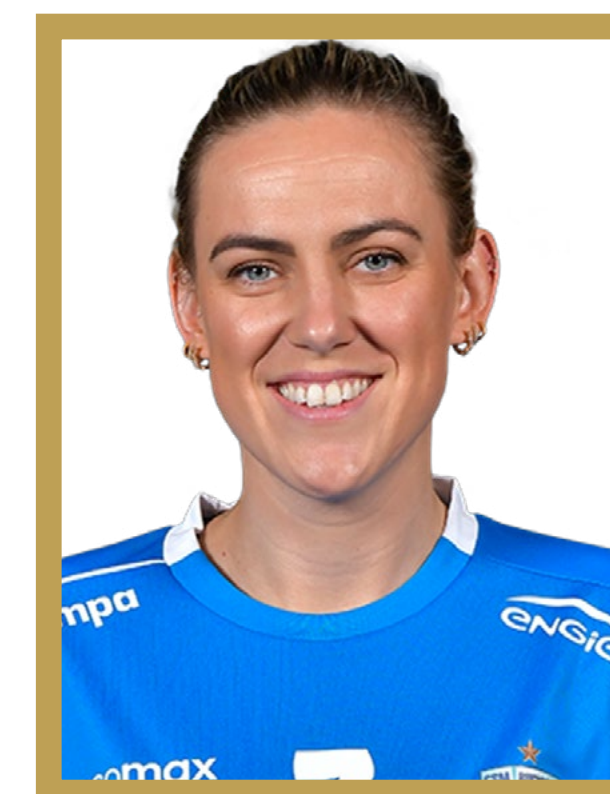
**54** GOALS



**Crina  
Pintea**

@crinapintea11

**53** GOALS



**Emilie  
Hegh Arntzen**

@emiliehegh

**49** GOALS





# WHC BUDUCNOST BEMAX

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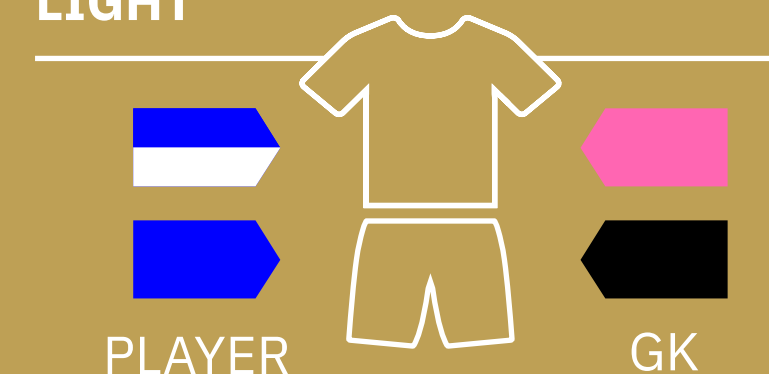


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**81000 Podgorica**  
**Montenegro**

**Capacity:**  
**5,000**

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WHC Buducnost BEMAX can be relied on to bring immense passion and fight to every EHF Champions League Women game – and they have more experience than their rivals in group A when it comes to games played in the competition.

Composed primarily of Montenegrin players but bolstered by some stars from elsewhere in Europe, the two-time champions (2012 and 2015) have reached the knock-out stages of the competition several times in recent years. A place in the play-offs is a minimum goal for Bojana Popovic's side.

GROUP A



# WHC BUDUCNOST BEMAX

## MAIN FACTS

- > no team has played more games (306) or scored more goals (8,028) than WHC Buducnost BEMAX in the EHF Champions League Women
- > this will be Buducnost's 28th season in the European premium competition, one less than Krim Mercator Ljubljana
- > Buducnost made the EHF FINAL4 for the last time in 2016/17; were eliminated in the quarter-finals in the next three seasons; failed to make it out of the group phase in 2021/22; and were knocked out in the play-offs last season
- > six players, including left backs Noémi Háfra and Kalidiatou Niakate, came in this summer; backs Ilda Kepic, Matea Pletikosic and Nina Bulatovic moved to pastures new
- > coach Bojana Popovic, the most decorated Montenegrin player in history, is entering her third consecutive season as Buducnost's coach

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 28

Winners (2): 2011/12, 2014/15

Final (1): 2013/14

Semi-finals (8): 1997/98, 1998/99, 1999/00, 2000/01, 2001/02, 2010/11, 2015/16, 2016/17

Quarter-finals (6): 2002/03, 2003/04, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20\*, 2020/21

Play-off (1): 2022/23

Main Round (1): 2012/13

Last 16 (1): 1995/96

Group Matches (7): 1996/97, 2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08, 2009/10, 2021/22

\* 2019/20 season not played to a finish due to Covid-19 pandemic

### **Other**

*Cup Winners Cup:* Winners 2005/06, 2009/10

*Montenegrin league:* 34 titles (1985, 1989, 1990, 1992-2019, 2021-23)

*Montenegrin cup:* 28 titles (1984, 1989, 1995-98, 2000-02, 2005-23)





## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
1996/97 Buducnost Podgorica YUG	6	2	2	2	130:143		-13	6:6	3rd Gr. A
1997/98 Buducnost Podgorica YUG	10	5	1	4	292:305		-13	11:9	Semi-final
1998/99 Buducnost Podgorica YUG	10	8	1	1	297:238		+59	17:3	Semi-final
1999/00 Buducnost Podgorica YUG	10	5	2	3	287:274		+13	12:8	Semi-final
2000/01 Bud. Brillant Podgorica YUG	10	5	3	2	265:246		+19	13:7	Semi-final
2001/02 Bud. Brillant Podgorica YUG	10	5	2	3	297:277		+20	12:8	Semi-final
2002/03 RK Buducnost MONET YUG	8	4	0	4	215:216		-1	8:8	Quarter-final
2003/04 RK Buducnost MONET SCG	8	4	0	4	209:219		-10	8:8	Quarter-final
2004/05 ZRK Buducnost MONET SCG	6	1	0	5	141:165		-24	2:10	4th Gr. A
2005/06 ZRK Buducnost MONET SCG	6	3	0	3	150:154		-4	6:6	3rd Gr. C
2006/07 ZRK Buducnost T-Mobile MNE	6	0	0	6	141:174		-33	0:12	4th Gr. B
2007/08 Buducnost T-Mobile MNE	6	1	1	4	153:189		-36	3:9	3rd Gr. D
2008/09 Buducnost T-Mobile MNE	12	6	2	4	317:326		-9	14:10	3rd MR Gr. 2
2009/10 Buducnost T-Mobile MNE	6	2	1	3	138:155		-17	5:7	3rd Gr. D
2010/11 'Buducnost' MNE	14	10	0	4	417:360		+57	20:8	Semi-final
2011/12 Buducnost MNE	16	14	0	2	453:385		+68	28:4	Winner
2012/13 Buducnost MNE	12	5	1	6	265:273		-8	11:13	3rd MR Gr. 1
2013/14 Buducnost MNE	14	8	3	3	349:298		+51	19:9	Runner-up
2014/15 Buducnost MNE	16	15	1	0	444:326		+118	31:1	Winner
2015/16 Buducnost MNE	16	11	1	4	433:359		+74	23:9	Fourth Place
2016/17 Buducnost MNE	16	11	0	5	444:391		+53	22:10	Fourth Place
2017/18 Buducnost MNE	14	5	0	9	344:368		-24	10:18	Quarter-final
2018/19 Buducnost MNE	14	6	1	7	330:345		-15	13:15	Quarter-final
2019/20 Buducnost MNE	12	7	0	5	335:317		+18	14:10	Quarter-final*
2020/21 Buducnost MNE	18	6	2	10	453:479		-26	14:22	Quarter-final
2021/22 Buducnost BEMAX MNE	14	3	0	11	337:407		-70	6:22	7th Gr. A
2022/23 WHC Buducnost BEMAX MNE	16	6	1	9	392:421		-29	13:19	Play-offs
<b>Total:</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>8028:7810</b>		<b>+218</b>	<b>341:271</b>	

\* Quarter-finals and EHF FINAL4 cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.



**EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS**

**14**

**MATCHES**  
Longest  
winning run

**22**

**MATCHES**  
Longest  
unbeaten run

**40**

**GOALS**  
Most goals

**Biggest win** 39:20 (19:8) v RK Krim Mercator SLO (h), 15.03.2015

**Biggest defeat** 36:21 (18:11) v Viborg HK DEN (a), 19.01.1997  
35:20 (16:10) v Team Esbjerg DEN (a), 26.09.2021

**Longest winning run** 14 matches (23.11.2014 – 01.11.2015)

**Longest unbeaten run** 22 matches (19.10.2014 – 20.11.2015)

**Longest losing run** 10 matches (13.03.2021 – 13.11.2021)

**Longest run without win** 10 matches (13.03.2021 – 13.11.2021)

**Most goals** 40 v RK Krim Mercator SLO 36:40W (a), 04.03.2011

40 v Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK TUR 27:40 (a), 10.09.2022

40 v Mar El Osito L'Eliana ESP 26:40L (h), 05.04.1998

76 v RK Krim Mercator SLO 36:40W (a), 04.03.2011

16 v Dunaferri SE HUN 16:18L (h), 06.02.2005

16 v Larvik NOR 28:16L (a), 16.03.2013

14 v Thüringer HC GER 23:14W (h), 09.11.2014

34 v Dunaferri SE HUN 16:18L (h), 06.02.2005

**Fewest goals opponent**

**Fewest goals both teams**



TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
2	Anastasija	Marsenic	MNE	Right Wing	24/02/2003	Ballerup, DEN	173
11	Ivana	Godec	MNE	Line Player	11/05/2001	Podgorica, MNE	177
12	Armelle	Attingré	FRA	Goalkeeper	15/01/1989	Kadjokro, CIV	179
13	Andrijana	Popovic	MNE	Line Player	20/04/2002	Niksic, MNE	185
14	Katarina	Dzaferovic	MNE	Right Back	14/07/2002	Podgorica, MNE	182
15	Kalidiatou	Niakate	FRA	Left Back	15/03/1995	Aubervilliers, FRA	177
16	Ann-Cathrin	Giegerich	GER	Goalkeeper	04/01/1992	Erlenbach A. Main, GER	181
19	Neslihan	Çaliskan	TUR	Left Back	29/07/1997	Konak, TUR	181
21	Adriana	Cardoso de Castro	BRA	Right Wing	29/10/1990	Fortaleza, BRA	167
24	Tanja	Asanin	MNE	Right Back	05/11/1996	Bijelo Polje, MNE	182
33	Vanesa	Agovic	MNE	Back	30/03/1996	Berane, MNE	184
44	Mari	Plamenova Tomova	BUL	Left Back	11/05/2002	Pleven, BUL	180
45	Nóemi	Háfra	HUN	Back	05/10/1998	Cegled, HUN	178
88	Nada	Kadovic	MNE	Left Wing	28/08/2003	Podgorica, MNE	180
<b>90</b>	<b>Milena</b>	<b>Raicevic C</b>	<b>MNE</b>	<b>Back</b>	<b>12/03/1990</b>	<b>Podgorica, MNE</b>	<b>178</b>
91	Ivona	Pavicevic	MNE	Left Wing	21/04/1996	Podgorica, MNE	178
97	Nikolina	Vukcevic	MNE	Line Player	28/07/2000	Podgorica, MNE	180







COACH



**Bojana Popovic**



- > one of the legends of the game, Bojana Popovic replaced Dragan Adzic as head coach of Buducnost in November 2020
- > earlier, was sports director and assistant coach at Buducnost, she is also the coach of Montenegro, whom she won the bronze with at the EURO 2022
- > born Petrovic, she was one of the best players of the world, playing for Buducnost, Slagelse and Viborg, and winning the CL with each of them, six times in total
- > finished her playing career in 2012 after winning silver at the Olympics in London, but made a comeback in 2016 to feature at the Olympics in Rio

**EC trophies: CL 2004, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2012; EHF Cup 2003 (as player)  
EURO: B2022 (as coach)**

DEPARTURES

- Ilda Kepic > (CS Măgura Cisnădie, ROU)
- Matea Pletikosic > (CSM Corona Braşov, ROU)
- Nina Bulatovic > (CS Gloria Bistriţa-Năsăud, ROU)
- Natasa Corovic > (BSV Sachsen Zwickau, GER)

ARRIVALS

- Ann-Cathrin Giegerich < (Debreceni VSC, HUN)
- Neslihan Çalışkan < (Kastamonu Bld. GSK, TUR)
- Kalidiatou Niakaté < (CSM Bucureşti, ROU)
- Noémi Háfra < (Györi Audi ETO KC, HUN - loan)
- Beyza Karaçam < (Kristianstad Handboll, SWE)
- Tanja Asanin < (SCM Râmnicu Vâlcea, ROU)
- Anastasija Marsenic < (Molde Elite, NOR)





GOALKEEPER 

**Armelle Attingré**

@aarmelle23

- > Ivorian-French goalkeeper, who joined Buducnost in 2020 from Fehérvár (HUN)
- > previously played for French clubs Fleury, Paris 92, and Nantes, as well as Turkish side Yenimahalle; gained CL experience with Paris (2012/13) and Yenimahalle (2016/17)
- > named best goalkeeper of the French league in 2013 and 2014, played 16 matches for French national team, was part of the EHF EURO 2014 squad
- > she also served as the goalkeeping coach for the Montenegro's junior team at the World Junior Championship in 2021



LEFT WING 

**Ivona Pavicevic**

@ivonapavicevic55

- > Montenegrin international, who has been playing for Buducnost since 2015 – except for a brief stint at Romanian side Corona Brasov in 2019
- > started professional career at age 17 at ZRK Danilovgrad in 2013
- > 2021/22 has been her best European season by far, scoring 64 CL goals for Buducnost
- > part of national team since 2015; played for Montenegro at Tokyo Olympics in 2021 and won a bronze medal with the national team at the EHF EURO 2022

EURO: B 2022



LEFT BACK 

**Milena Raicevic**

@mraicevic90

- > re-joined Buducnost, the club where she has spent almost her entire career, in the summer of 2022 after a one-year stint at Kastamonu in Turkey
- > started career at Buducnost in 2007; won CL twice with the club – in 2012 and 2015
- > longstanding Montenegrin international; made the All-star Team of the 2010 Junior WCh and was part of the team that won Olympic silver and EHF EURO gold in 2012
- > twin sister Dragana was also a professional handball player, brother Ivan plays soccer, she has a son, Vuk, born in 2021

CL 2012, 2015; CWC 2010  
EURO: G 2012, B 2022; OS: S 2012




LEFT BACK 

**Kalidiatou Niakate**

@kalidiatouniakate

- > started her professional career at Paris 92, later played for Nantes and Brest, before signing for CSM in the summer of 2022, Buducnost is her second experience outside France
- > scored 113 CL goals in total in her last two seasons with Brest, did not play as much as CSM, where an injury derailed her season
- > initially was a player only used in defence, but has developed into an all-round player during her two seasons in Nantes
- > a strong shooter, she has won a hat-trick of gold medals with France, at the EHF EURO, World Championship and Olympic Games

EURO: G 2018, S 2020; OG: G 2020; WCh: G 2017; S 2021



LEFT BACK 

**Noemi Hafra**

 @hafra.noemi

- > after spending one season with Győr and seven with FTC – including one year on loan at MTK - moved to Odense in 2022 and now loaned to Buducnost
- > breakthrough in CL 2018/19, scoring 80 goals before FTC lost in the quarter-finals; named CL All-star young player that season, and again in 2019/20
- > won gold at 2018 Junior WCh; was named All-star left back at EHF EURO 2018
- > spent most of the 2022/23 season on the sidelines, due to an injury, which stopped her from playing • stated that she suffered a burnout and told her experience to help others to navigate these type of situations



LINE PLAYER 

**Ivana Godec**

 @godecivana

- > started handball at Buducnost, moved to Slovak club Iuventa Mihalovce when she was only 19 years old, but returned to Buducnost in 2022
- > had a superb maiden season in the CL in 2022/23, with 48 goals, one of the best scorers for Buducnost
- > made her debut in Montenegro’s national team in 2017, when she was only 16 years old, won the bronze medal at the EHF EURO 2022

EURO: B2022



RIGHT BACK 

**Katarina Dzaferovic**

 @katarinadzaferovic

- > joined Buducnost as a youth player aged 14 in 2016 and has never left the club since
- > already made the A team of Buducnost when she was only 15
- > had her best CL season in 2020/21, scoring 23 times for Buducnost; was then out injured for 10 months but returned just before the end of the 2021/22 season
- > Montenegrin international since 2019, played her first major event at EHF EURO 2020



RIGHT WING 

**Adriana Cardoso**

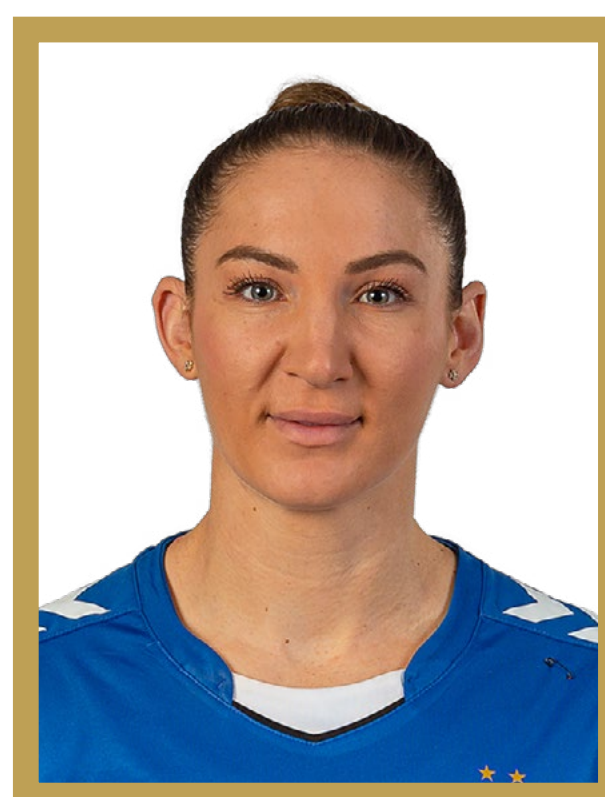
 @docecardoso21

- > Brazilian international, who arrived at Buducnost from Metz in the summer of 2022
- > got first CL experience with Danish side Randers in 2011/12
- > joined Bera Bera in 2012 and played for the Spanish club until 2021, interrupted for stints at German sides Celle and Blomberg-Lippe
- > part of the Brazilian national team, played at the Tokyo Olympics in 2021





# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Milena  
Raicevic**

@mraicevic90

**89 GOALS**



**Matea  
Pletikotic**

@mateapletikotic

**65 GOALS**



**Ivana  
Godec**

@godecivana

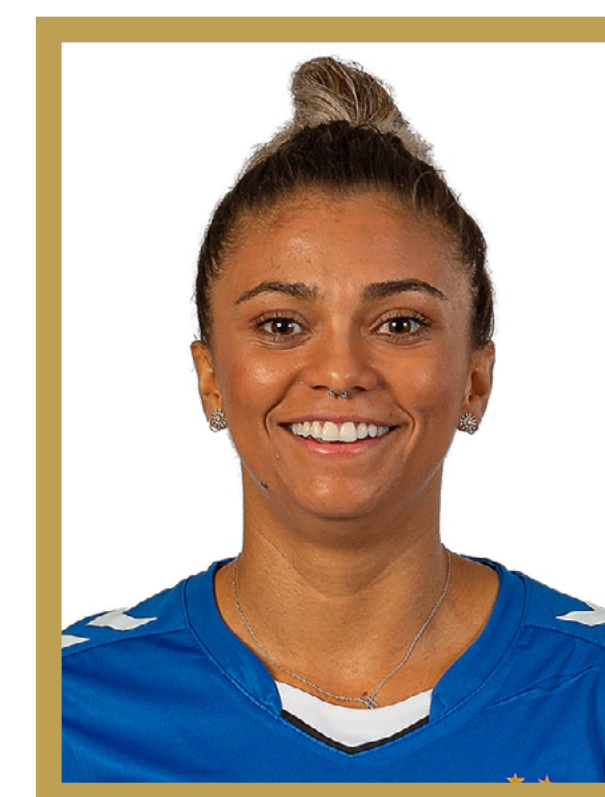
**48 GOALS**



**Ivona  
Pavicevic**

@ivonapavicevic55

**40 GOALS**



**Adriana  
Cardoso**

@docecardoso21

**27 GOALS**





# DVSC SCHAEFFLER

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## PLAYING HALL



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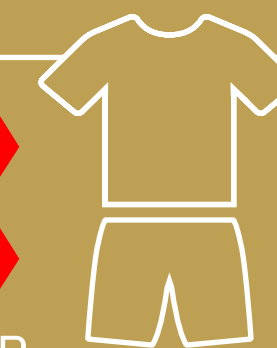
**Capacity:**  
**2,200**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



PLAYER



GK

### DARK



PLAYER



GK

<http://www.dvsckezilabda.hu/>

<https://www.facebook.com/dvsckezi>

<https://www.instagram.com/dvschandball/>

DVSC Schaeffler were third in Hungary last year behind EHF Champions League rivals Györi Audi ETO KC and FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, but that was enough for them to be given a spot in the top competition after over a decade away.

Last year the Debrecen side played the EHF European League Women and were knocked out of quarter-final contention due to goal difference and head-to-head results in the tough group C, where three sides had four wins.

GROUP A





# DVSC SCHAEFFLER

## MAIN FACTS

- > this will be only the second season in history for the Hungarian side in the European premium competition, after they made their debut in the 2010/11 season
- > in their previous appearance, DVSC Schaeffler only won a single game, at home, against Hypo, losing the other five
- > DVSC last qualified for the knockout phase of an European competition in 2011/12 season, when they reached the quarter-finals of the Cup Winners' Cup
- > Debrecen brought in five new players, including line player Tamara Haggerty from HH Elite and right back Elinore Johansson from Storhamar, with six other players leaving over the summer
- > several young talented Hungarian players, like Gréta Kácsor and Petra Füzi-Tóvizi, are the cornerstones of DVSC and crucial to the team's success

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 3

Group Matches (1): 2010/11

Qualification (1): 2011/12

### **Other**

*EHF Cup*: Winners 1995, 1996

*Hungarian league*: 2 titles (1955, 1987)

*Hungarian cup*: 5 titles (1985, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1991)



EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2010/11 DVSC – Korvex HUN	6	1	0	5	143:171		-28	2:10	4th Gr. B
<b>Total:</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>143:171</b>		<b>-28</b>	<b>2:10</b>	





EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

**1** MATCHES  
Longest  
winning run

**1** MATCHES  
Longest  
unbeaten run

**27** GOALS  
Most goals

**Biggest win** 22:21 (13:7) v Hypo Niederösterreich AUT (h), 09.10.2010

**Biggest defeat** 39:24 (20:14) v Itxako Reyno De Navarra ESP (a), 20.11.2010

**Longest winning run** 1 match (09.10.2010)

**Longest unbeaten run** 1 match (09.10.2010)

**Longest losing run** 5 matches (13.10.2010 – 20.11.2010)

**Longest run without win** 5 matches (13.10.2010 – 20.11.2010)

**Most goals** 27 v Itxako Reyno De Navarra ESP 27:32L (h), 24.10.2010

**Most goals opponent** 39 v Itxako Reyno De Navarra ESP 39:24L (a), 20.11.2010

**Most goals both teams** 63 v Itxako Reyno De Navarra ESP 39:24L (a), 20.11.2010

**Fewest goals** 19 v HC Leipzig GER 19:20L (h), 07.11.2010

**Fewest goals opponent** 20 v HC Leipzig GER 19:20L (h), 07.11.2010

**Fewest goals both teams** 39 v HC Leipzig GER 19:20L (h), 07.11.2010



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
5	Konszuéla	Hámori	HUN	Right Back	04/08/1996	Salgótarján, HUN	168
7	Elinore	Johansson	SWE	Right Back	19/03/1996	Hässleholm, SWE	180
10	Inez	Szijjártó	HUN	Left Wing	16/03/2005	Debrecen, HUN	176
13	Petra	Füzi-Tóvizi	HUN	Line Player	15/03/1999	Nyíregyháza, HUN	178
16	Gabrijela	Bartulovic	CRO	Goalkeeper	06/12/1994	Zagreb, CRO	175
18	Vivien	Grosch	HUN	Right Wing	17/04/1997	Budapest, HUN	168
22	Jovana	Jovovic	SRB	Left Back	04/12/2001	Vrbas, SRB	181
24	Míra	Vámos	HUN	Left Wing	23/02/2003	Ózd, HUN	170
25	Liliána	Csernyánszki	HUN	Centre Back	25/08/2004	Debrecen, HUN	164
28	Alexandra	Töpfner	HUN	Right Wing	08/02/1996	Szekszárd, HUN	170
29	Nóra	Nagy	HUN	Right Back	09/03/2004	Jászberény, HUN	176
31	Csege	Kiss	HUN	Right Wing	12/04/2005	Komárom, HUN	175
35	Lili	Csamangó	HUN	Centre Back	01/12/2005	Szeged, HUN	169
<b>38</b>	<b>Petra</b>	<b>Vámos C</b>	<b>HUN</b>	<b>Centre Back</b>	<b>14/09/2000</b>	<b>Ózd, HUN</b>	<b>170</b>
39	Laura	Demjén	HUN	Goalkeeper	20/10/2005	Budapest, HUN	180
40	Veronika	Fodor	HUN	Line Player	11/05/2005	Debrecen, HUN	168
43	Szimonetta	Planeta	HUN	Right Back	12/12/1993	Kazinccarcika, HUN	196
44	Gréta	Kácsor	HUN	Left Back	24/04/2000	Budapest, HUN	175
45	Réka	Lakatos	HUN	Goalkeeper	04/03/2005	Miskolc, HUN	181
55	Tamara	Haggerty	NED	Line Player	29/04/1996	Haarlem, NED	178
71	Mirtill	Petrus	HUN	Left Wing	14/11/2001	Debrecen, HUN	169
83	Dorina	Kelemen	HUN	Left Back	05/09/2004	Mátészalka, HUN	172
88	Mariana	Costa	BRA	Right Wing	14/10/1992	Sao Paulo/SP, BRA	166
92	Dóra	Hornyák	HUN	Left Back	24/01/1992	Debrecen, HUN	179
94	Catherine	Gabriel	FRA	Goalkeeper	04/09/1994	Yaoundé, CMR	172







## COACH



**Zoltán Szilágyi**



- > son of former Hungarian international Istvan Szilagyi, who played 214 games and scored 541 goals for the national team
- > his brother, Viktor, was also a handball player and represented Austria, winning the CL with Kiel in 2007, and is now Kiel's sporting director
- > managed men's team Dabas before coming to Vác in 2016, his first stint as a coach of a women's team
- > moved to Debrecen in 2021 after five years with Vác, is also the coach of the women's junior national team

## DEPARTURES

- |                       |   |                       |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Ann-Cathrin Giegerich | > | ( Buducnost, MNE)     |
| Réka Bordás           | > | (FTC-Rail Cargo, HUN) |

## ARRIVALS

- |                      |   |                               |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Elinore Johansson    | < | (Storhamar HE, NOR)           |
| Tamara Haggerty      | < | (Horsens Handbold Elite, DEN) |
| Gabrijela Bartulovic | < | (Dunaújvárosi KKA, HUN)       |
| Kata Juhász          | < | (NEKA, HUN)                   |
| Vivien Grosch        | < | (MTK Budapest, HUN)           |



GOALKEEPER 

**Catherine Gabriel**

 @cath\_\_gabriel

- > born in Cameroon, moved to France when she was a kid, started playing handball from a young age
- > had a dual career when she was younger, also winning beauty pageants aside from handball
- > moved to Paris in 2020 after playing for Besançon, her first professional club, and Nantes, from 2018 to 2020, signing for DVSC in 2022 was her first experience outside of France
- > represented France in the younger age categories, also made her debut for the senior national team

EURO: G 2018



LEFT WING 

**Míra Vámos**

 @petra.vamos38

- > Petra's sister started playing handball at a young age too and made her debut in a senior team while aged only 13 years old
- > she moved to DVSC in 2021, becoming teammates with her sister, one of the few pairs of sisters playing together this season
- > has already made her European debut for DVSC, playing in the 2021/22 and 2022/23 seasons in the EHF European League Women



LEFT BACK 

**Gréta Kácsor**

 @kacsorgreta4

- > won gold at the Junior WCh in 2018 and at the W19 EHF EURO 2019 with Hungary
- > made her debut in the national team in 2020, while also scoring two goals at the EHF EURO 2020
- > discovered by Vác when she was only 14, in 2014; joined DVSC as her second professional club in 2022
- > named the best Hungarian youth handball player of the year twice, in 2017 and 2018




CENTRE BACK 


**Petra Vámos**

 @petra.vamos38


- > started handball at only eight years old, but with her father playing football and her mother doing athletics, Vamos also took part in athletics until she was 13
- > a former captain of Hungary's junior national handball team, she also started physical therapy and physical classes at the University of Debrecen
- > her sister, Mira is her teammate in Debrecen; both started in Ozd, their hometown, before playing for the Hungarian National Handball Academy
- > named Hungary's Talent of the Year in 2019, when she won the W19 EHF EURO 2019 with Hungary
- > has featured in the EL and EHF Cup for DVSC, making her debut in the CL this season





LINE PLAYER 

**Tamara Haggerty**

 @tamarahaggerty5



LINE PLAYER 

**Szimonetta Planeta**

 @szimiplaneta



RIGHT BACK 

**Elinore Johansson**

 @johanssonelinore



RIGHT WING 

**Mariana Costa**

 @costamariana14

- > played in the Netherlands, Germany and Denmark before signing for DVSC in the summer of 2023, is one of the most experienced players in the squad
- > has played six games for the Dutch national team, but is yet to be called up for a major tournament
- > made her debut in 2022 in the CL with Sävehof, in the same season she won her first trophy, the Swedish league

- > being 198 cm tall, Planeta is the tallest player in the CL this season, a huge advantage in defence
- > bred at Győri ETO KC, she played for Veszprem Barabas, Thuringer HC and Chambray Touraine, before moving back to Hungary at DVSC in 2021
- > won three domestic titles and four Cups with Győr, played over 60 matches for the national team of Hungary • she switched to a vegan diet when playing in France, at Chambray, to try and take care of her knees

- > this is the first move for Johansson outside Scandinavia, after playing for domestic club Lugli HK and Norwegian sides Larvik HK and Storhamar
- > she was one of Storhamar's important players last season, scoring 21 seasons in the CL, while playing as the second captain of the team
- > during her stint as Larvik, she also worked part-time as a waiter in a local restaurant
- > stood out as a youth player for Sweden and has played four senior games for her country, after delivering excellent performances in the younger age category teams

- > came to Denmark when she was a youngster, played at Kobenhavn and Vendsyssel, moved to Hypo Niederösterreich, then back to Denmark at Nykobing
- > between 2017 and 2021, she played for three clubs in Romania, before signing for DVSC in 2021
- > was part of the Brazil team which produced the biggest surprise in history, winning the gold medal at the World Championship in 2013
- > returned to Debrecen after deciding to leave, after suffering an injury

WCh: G 2013





## REIGNING CHAMPIONS MEET WITH FAMILIAR FOES AND TWO NEWCOMERS

Group B will bring new exciting clashes to handball fans with three-time champions Vipers Kristiansand ready to take on opponents from Romania, France, Denmark, Slovenia, Hungary and Poland.

After raising the trophy for the third time in a row, the time has come for change at Vipers Kristiansand. The Norwegian champions are entering the new handball season with a new duo at the helm. The hot seat vacated by Ole Gustav Gjekstad was taken over by former assistant coach Tomáš Hlavatý and Danish legend and goalkeeper coach Lene Rantala. With only a few reinforcements, Vipers aim to remain among the top teams in the EHF Champions League.

Alongside Vipers, group B includes two more EHF FINAL4 2023 participants, FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria and Team Esbjerg, who will be fighting for the chance to repeat the same success or go even further.

The EHF FINAL4 2023 runners-up, FTC, have not had many squad changes and have the same objective in mind. However, for the first time in 15 years they have a new coach to lead the team on that journey: Martin Albertsen. The enthusiastic Danish coach replaced Gábor Elek and will try to implement a new vision for the club's 25th season in Europe's top flight.

Team Esbjerg regained their domestic title and, for the first time since 2020, are coming into the EHF Champions League as Danish champions. Led by the Champions League 2022/23 top scorer Henny Reistad and the experienced Nora Mørk, Esbjerg have high expectations for the top flight and with only one new player their fulcrum is a strong and well-connected team.

The trio will be up against French powerhouse Metz who are always contenders for the final tournament. Failing to qualify for their third EHF FINAL4, Metz will try to shake things up this season. Even though they saw the departure of Bruna De

Paula, Camila Micijevic, Tamara Horacek and Valeriia Maslova, among others, they are relying on their strong reinforcements. The biggest signings include Anne Mette Hansen from Győr and Alina Grijseels from Dortmund.

Rapid Bucuresti are going into their third EHF Champions League season with the same ambitions as in previous years. Even though they didn't manage to repeat the same success as in the 2021/22 season and take their domestic title, Rapid's well-structured team is always up for a challenge. After taking over the helm in March 2023, head coach Kim Rasmussen will have a better base for success with having three new players and a full preparation period with the team.

The club with the longest tradition in the Champions League, entering their 29th season, are also aiming high. Montenegrin expert Dragan Adzic has a clear vision for Krim Mercator Ljubljana and wants his side to be competitive with all opponents in the group phase while dreaming of bringing the former two-time champions back to the top.

He has built a new team – a mixture of experience and youth powered by Slovenian and Montenegrin players.

EHF European League Women winners Ikast Håndbold are back in the Champions League after five years and they will try to shake things up in group B. Ikast, boosted by their top performances in the second-tier competition and being undefeated for 10 matches straight, want to progress further than the group phase. To achieve it they are counting on five new players, Markéta Jeřábková and Irma Schjøtt among them.

MKS Zagłębie Lubin are the only club in group B that have never played in the group phase of the EHF Champions League. Their only appearance was in 2011/12 when they failed to progress from the qualification tournament. With only three reinforcements, the team is relying on an almost all-Polish squad with two Slovak players and one representative each from Brazil and Serbia.

*Danijela Vekić*



## GROUP B HEAD TO HEAD

### CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Metz Handball 0-1-1 (66:68)

**1:3**

18.09.2022	CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Group B	32:32 (16:21)
04.02.2023	Metz Handball vs CS Rapid Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group B	36:34 (20:17)

### CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Vipers Kristiansand 0-0-2 (56:71)

**0:4**

30.04.2023	CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Vipers Kristiansand, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	25:31 (12:18)
06.05.2023	Vipers Kristiansand vs CS Rapid Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	40:31 (18:18)

### CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana 1-0-1 (54:53)

**2:2**

19.03.2023	Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs CS Rapid Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Play-offs	29:24 (12:13)
26.03.2023	CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Play-offs	30:24 (12:8)

### CS Rapid Bucuresti vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria

No previous encounters in European competitions

### CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Team Esbjerg 1-0-1 (64:67)

**2:2**

09.10.2022	CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Team Esbjerg, EHF Champions League – Group B	34:32 (19:14)
15.01.2023	Team Esbjerg vs CS Rapid Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Group B	35:30 (18:13)

### CS Rapid Bucuresti vs MKS Zaglebie Lubin

No previous encounters in European competitions

### CS Rapid Bucuresti vs Ikast Handbold 0-0-2 (36:52)

**0:4**

08.02.1997	Ikast FS vs Rapid Bucuresti, City Cup – Quarter-final	28:18 (12:8)
16.02.1997	Rapid Bucuresti vs Ikast FS, City Cup – Quarter-final	18:24 (8:13)

**GROUP B HEAD TO HEAD****Metz Handball vs Vipers Kristiansand 5-1-3 (258:235)****11:7**

08.10.2017	Metz Handball vs Vipers Kristiansand, EHF Champions League – Group D	30:22 (14:12)
10.11.2017	Vipers Kristiansand vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Group D	22:25 (11:12)
12.05.2019	Metz Handball vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF FINAL4 – Place 3/4	30:31 (16:15)
20.10.2019	Vipers Kristiansand vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	38:38 (17:21)
03.11.2019	Metz Handball vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	26:17 (12:10)
03.02.2021	Metz Handball vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	28:29 (11:13)
10.02.2021	Vipers Kristiansand vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	0:10 (0:0)*
26.09.2021	Metz Handball vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	23:18 (14:9)
05.02.2022	Vipers Kristiansand vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	25:31 (13:17)
04.06.2022	Metz Handball vs Vipers Kristiansand, EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final	27:33 (15:14)

\* Match not played and points allocated. Result not included in overall stat.

**Metz Handball vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana 6-1-9 (424:453)****13:19**

04.01.1998	ASPTT Metz HB vs Krim Electa Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Group B	30:26 (14:10)
01.02.1998	Krim Electa Ljubljana vs ASPTT Metz HB, EHF Champions League – Group B	31:25 (12:11)
11.01.2003	Krim ETA N. Roberts vs Handball Metz Metropole, EHF Champions League – Group D	34:22 (18:9)
09.02.2003	Handball Metz Metropole vs Krim ETA N. Roberts, EHF Champions League – Group D	25:31 (12:17)
09.11.2008	RK Krim Mercator vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Group D	26:31 (11:19)
03.01.2009	Metz Handball vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Group D	29:33 (12:18)
24.10.2009	Metz Handball vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Group B	30:37 (12:22)
09.01.2010	RK Krim Mercator vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Group B	35:31 (20:14)
18.02.2012	Metz Handball vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	20:21 (8:13)
10.03.2012	RK Krim Mercator vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	28:24 (14:9)
20.10.2013	Metz Handball vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Group C	21:20 (12:7)
02.11.2013	RK Krim Mercator vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Group C	27:21 (13:11)
10.10.2020	Metz Handball vs RK Krim Mercator, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	33:27 (19:11)
16.01.2021	RK Krim Mercator vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	22:26 (10:14)
17.10.2021	Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	28:29 (17:15)
09.02.2022	Metz Handball vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	27:27 (17:15)



**GROUP B HEAD TO HEAD****Metz Handball vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria 6-2-10 (458:492)****14:22**

11.11.1995	ASPTT Metz vs Ferencvaros Budapest, EHF Champions League – Qualification Round 2	21:25 (11:11)
19.11.1995	Ferencvaros Budapest vs ASPTT Metz, EHF Champions League – Qualification Round 2	31:18 (18:7)
15.11.1997	HERZ – FTC Budapest vs ASPTT Metz HB, EHF Champions League – Group B	28:20 (18:13)
11.01.1998	ASPTT Metz HB vs HERZ – FTC Budapest, EHF Champions League – Group B	21:21 (10:11)
31.10.1999	ASPTT Metz vs HERZ – FTC Budapest, EHF Champions League – Group A	20:19 (11:12)
20.02.2000	HERZ – FTC Budapest vs ASPTT Metz, EHF Champions League – Group A	27:24 (12:13)
10.04.2011	Metz Handball vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final	27:31 (12:17)
17.04.2011	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Metz Handball, Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final	27:29 (14:13)
28.01.2017	Metz Handball vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	25:28 (14:13)
25.02.2017	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	29:23 (15:10)
04.02.2018	Metz Handball vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	27:25 (13:10)
03.03.2018	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	29:27 (13:9)
13.10.2019	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	28:34 (16:20)
16.11.2019	Metz Handball vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	24:24 (10:14)
20.01.2021	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	32:30 (18:15)
24.01.2021	Metz Handball vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	30:29 (14:17)
29.04.2023	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	26:32 (13:15)
07.05.2023	Metz Handball vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	26:33 (17:17)

**Metz Handball vs Ikast Handbold 1-0-1 (48:55)****2:2**

18.04.2004	Handball Metz Metropole vs Ikast Bording EH, Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final	23:21 (11:11)
24.04.2004	Ikast Bording EH vs Handball Metz Metropole, Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final	34:25 (16:10)

## GROUP B HEAD TO HEAD

### Metz Handball vs Team Esbjerg 4-1-2 (205:200)

9:5

09.02.2020	Metz Handball vs Team Esbjerg, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	31:31 (15:15)
08.03.2020	Team Esbjerg vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	30:29 (14:19)
24.10.2020	Metz Handball vs Team Esbjerg, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	31:29 (18:14)
22.11.2020	Team Esbjerg vs Metz Handball, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	25:28 (16:12)
05.06.2022	Team Esbjerg vs Metz Handball, EHF FINAL4 – Place 3/4 26:32 (12:18)	
16.10.2022	Team Esbjerg vs Metz Handball, EHF Champions League – Group B	35:28 (18:12)
08.01.2023	Metz Handball vs Team Esbjerg, EHF Champions League – Group B	26:24 (11:11)

### Metz Handball vs MKS Zagłębie Lubin 4-2-0 (150:134)

10:2

03.10.1998	Zagłębie Lubin vs ASPTT Metz HB, Cup Winners' Cup – Round 1	21:22 (12:12)
10.10.1998	ASPTT Metz HB vs Zagłębie Lubin, Cup Winners' Cup – Round 1	30:18 (13:11)
04.03.2001	ASPTT Metz vs Zagłębie Lubin, EHF Cup – Quarter-final 27:27 (11:14)	
11.03.2001	Zagłębie Lubin vs ASPTT Metz, EHF Cup – Quarter-final 18:18 (8:9)	
02.02.2013	Metz Handball vs KGHM Metraco Zagłębie Lubin, EHF Cup – Last 16	29:28 (12:13)
09.02.2013	KGHM Metraco Zagłębie Lubin vs Metz Handball, EHF Cup – Last 16	22:24 (12:9)

### Vipers Kristiansand vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria 5-1-3 (261:242)

11:7

14.10.2018	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Vipers Kristiansand, EHF Champions League – Group D	27:26 (17:14)
17.11.2018	Vipers Kristiansand vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Group D	35:27 (18:14)
05.10.2019	Vipers Kristiansand vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	31:22 (16:11)
09.11.2019	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	29:34 (15:19)
06.02.2021	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	30:28 (14:11)
08.02.2021	Vipers Kristiansand vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	26:31 (11:15)
15.10.2022	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Vipers Kristiansand, EHF Champions League – Group A	26:26 (12:14)
07.01.2023	Vipers Kristiansand vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Group A	27:26 (15:15)
04.06.2023	Vipers Kristiansand vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF FINAL4 – Final	28:24 (14:13)



**GROUP B HEAD TO HEAD****Vipers Kristiansand vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana 11-0-1 (359:305)****22:2**

20.02.2016	Vipers Kristiansand vs RK Krim Mercator, Cup Winners' Cup – Quarter-final	29:27 (15:15)
27.02.2016	RK Krim Mercator vs Vipers Kristiansand, Cup Winners' Cup – Quarter-final	30:20 (14:8)
26.01.2019	RK Krim Mercator vs Vipers Kristiansand, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	24:25 (8:10)
23.02.2019	Vipers Kristiansand vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	29:21 (14:14)
12.09.2020	RK Krim Mercator vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	26:27 (9:14)
13.02.2021	Vipers Kristiansand vs RK Krim Mercator, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	37:30 (16:15)
30.10.2021	Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	26:27 (16:10)
12.02.2022	Vipers Kristiansand vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana, DELO EHF Champions League – Group B	37:20 (17:9)
01.05.2022	Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs Vipers Kristiansand, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	25:32 (10:14)
07.05.2022	Vipers Kristiansand vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final	33:24 (17:12)
18.09.2022	Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs Vipers Kristiansand, EHF Champions League – Group A	21:27 (11:13)
04.02.2023	Vipers Kristiansand vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Group A	36:31 (20:15)

**Vipers Kristiansand vs Team Esbjerg 0-2-2 (116:125)****2:6**

25.01.2020	Vipers Kristiansand vs Team Esbjerg, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	31:35 (15:16)
23.02.2020	Team Esbjerg vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	35:30 (15:16)
18.10.2020	Team Esbjerg vs Vipers Kristiansand, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	27:27 (12:12)
09.01.2021	Vipers Kristiansand vs Team Esbjerg, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	28:28 (16:14)

**Vipers Kristiansand vs MKS Zagłębie Lubin****2:6**

No previous encounters in European competitions

**Vipers Kristiansand vs Ikast Handbold**

No previous encounters in European competitions

**GROUP B HEAD TO HEAD****Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria 6-0-9 (406:415)****12:18**

17.11.1996	Ferencvaros Budap. vs Krim Electa Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Group D	27:24 (13:15)
11.01.1997	Krim Electa Ljubljana vs Ferencvaros Budap., EHF Champions League – Group D	22:20 (12:11)
08.11.1997	Krim Electa Ljubljana vs HERZ – FTC Budapest, EHF Champions League – Group B	32:24 (16:13)
25.01.1998	HERZ – FTC Budapest vs Krim Electa Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Group B	23:25 (13:12)
28.10.2006	FTC Budapest vs RK Krim Mercator Ljubljana, ECh for Club Teams – Semi-final	25:34 (11:19)
17.02.2013	FTC Rail Cargo Hungaria vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	30:26 (14:15)
03.03.2013	RK Krim Mercator vs FTC Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	31:25 (15:12)
09.02.2019	RK Krim Mercator vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	23:25 (10:10)
10.03.2019	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	31:27 (16:11)
24.10.2020	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs RK Krim Mercator, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	32:25 (14:14)
21.11.2020	RK Krim Mercator vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	26:32 (13:13)
26.03.2022	Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League - Play-offs	33:26 (15:14)
02.04.2022	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Play-offs	26:22 (8:10)
09.10.2022	Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Group A	30:32 (15:15)
14.01.2023	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Krim Mercator Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Group A	37:26 (19:10)

**Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs Team Esbjerg 1-0-2 (75:90)****2:4**

15.10.2016	Team Esbjerg vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Group D	35:25 (17:11)
12.11.2016	RK Krim Mercator vs Team Esbjerg, EHF Champions League – group D	27:22 (13:13)
24.01.2021	Team Esbjerg vs RK Krim Mercator, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	33:23 (16:11)
10.02.2021	RK Krim Mercator vs Team Esbjerg, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	0:10 (0:0)*

\* Match not played and points allocated. Result not included in overall stat.

**Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs MKS Zagłębie Lubin**

No previous encounters in European competitions



**GROUP B HEAD TO HEAD****Krim Mercator Ljubljana vs Ikast Handbold 4-1-3 (200:202)****9:7**

05.04.2003	Krim ETA N. Roberts Ljubljana vs Ikast Bording EH, EHF Champions League – Semi-final	33:28 (18:13)
12.04.2003	Ikast Bording EH vs Krim ETA N. Roberts Ljubljana, EHF Champions League – Semi-final	21:27 (10:15)
10.01.2004	Krim Ljubljana Slovenia vs Ikast Bording EH, EHF Champions League – Group B	24:27 (13:11)
08.02.2004	Ikast Bording EH vs Krim Ljubljana Slovenia, EHF Champions League – Group B	24:28 (10:13)
11.02.2017	FC Midtjylland vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	28:19 (13:11)
11.03.2017	RK Krim Mercator vs FC Midtjylland, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	21:27 (9:10)
28.01.2018	RK Krim Mercator vs FC Midtjylland, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	24:23 (11:11)
25.02.2018	FC Midtjylland vs RK Krim Mercator, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	24:24 (12:13)

**FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Team Esbjerg 3-1-3 (189:196)****7:7**

02.02.2020	Team Esbjerg vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	29:27 (13:13)
01.03.2020	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Team Esbjerg, DELO EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1	26:25 (13:15)
11.10.2020	Team Esbjerg vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	21:24 (13:9)
16.01.2021	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Team Esbjerg, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	24:28 (12:13)
16.10.2021	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Team Esbjerg, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	31:31 (16:16)
23.01.2022	Team Esbjerg vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, DELO EHF Champions League – Group A	33:27 (14:13)
03.06.2023	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Team Esbjerg, EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final	30:29 (13:17)

**FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs Ikast Handbold 0-0-5 (130:151)****0:10**

02.11.2002	FTC Budapest vs Ikast Bording, ECh for Club Teams – Semi-final	30:32 (18:17)
06.10.2013	FC Midtjylland vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, EHF Champions League – Group B	32:23 (16:11)
09.11.2013	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs FC Midtjylland, EHF Champions League – Group B	25:26 (10:13)
05.04.2015	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs FC Midtjylland, Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final	23:30 (13:15)
11.04.2015	FC Midtjylland vs FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria, Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final	31:29 (17:14)

## GROUP B HEAD TO HEAD

### FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria vs MKS Zaglebie Lubin

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No previous encounters in European competitions

### Team Esbjerg vs MKS Zaglebie Lubin

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No previous encounters in European competitions

### Team Esbjerg vs Ikast Handbold 4-0-2 (151:146)

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**8:4**

12.03.2011	Team Esbjerg vs FC Midtjylland Handball, EHF Cup – Quarter-final	21:27 (11:16)
19.03.2011	FC Midtjylland Handball vs Team Esbjerg, EHF Cup – Quarter-final	24:29 (14:13)
29.01.2017	FC Midtjylland vs Team Esbjerg, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	38:26 (17:19)
26.02.2017	Team Esbjerg vs FC Midtjylland, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	22:21 (14:11)
06.04.2019	Herning-Ikast Handbold vs Team Esbjerg, EHF Cup – Semi-final	20:23 (10:12)
14.04.2019	Team Esbjerg vs Herning-Ikast Handbold, EHF Cup – Semi-final	30:16 (20:8)

### MKS Zaglebie Lubin vs Ikast Handbold 1-0-1 (45:52)

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**2:2**

13.10.2018	Herning-Ikast Handbold vs Metraco Zaglebie Lubin, EHF Cup – Qualification Round 2	31:19 (15:9)
19.10.2018	Metraco Zaglebie Lubin vs Herning-Ikast Handbold, EHF Cup – Qualification Round 2	26:21 (13:9)





# CS RAPID BUCURESTI

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5,000**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



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Rapid Bucuresti had a dream debut season in the EHF Champions League when they reached the quarter-finals. However, at home, they failed to win the domestic title and now have an even stronger motivation for the upcoming season. Following the footsteps of their rivals CSM Bucuresti, the second-place Romanian club has built a good team and with only three new players, they are relying on the well-known, experienced base.

Danish expert Kim Rasmussen took over the hot seat in March 2023, and in his first full year with the team, Rasmussen has the objective to continue the good results and remain among the top teams of the EHF Champions League.

GROUP B



# CS RAPID BUCURESTI

## MAIN FACTS

- > this is Rapid's second season in the CL group phase; in 2003/04 they failed to qualify, and their best result so far in the continental club competitions is winning the is winning IHF Champions Cup in 1964
- > former CSM Bucuresti and Gloria Bistrița head coach Kim Rasmussen took over his third Romanian helm in March 2023
- > in their debut season, Rapid Bucuresti were eliminated in the quarter-finals by future champions Vipers
- > the Romanian runners-up have only minor changes to the squad - Laura Kanor, Lara González and Mathilde Neesgaard joined, while Azenaide Carlos and Jennifer Gutiérrez left; Irene Espínola and Gabriela Perianu retired
- > the 2021/22 domestic title was Rapid's first in 19 years

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 2  
Quarter-finals (1): 2022/23

### Other

*IHF Champions Cup: Winners 1964*

*IHF Cup: Winners 1993*

*City Cup: Winners 2000*

*Romanian league: 6 titles (1961, 1962, 1963, 1967, 2003, 2022)*

*Romanian cup: 1 title (2004)*





EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2022/23 CS Rapid Bucuresti ROU	18	10	2	6	551:528		+23	22:14	Quarter-final
<b>Total:</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>551:528</b>		<b>+23</b>	<b>22:14</b>	



EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

**3** MATCHES  
Longest winning run

**6** MATCHES  
Longest unbeaten run

**39** GOALS  
Most goals

**Biggest win** 39:29 (17:12) v WHC Buducnost BEMAX MNE (h), 08.01.2023

**Biggest defeat** 40:31 (18:18) v Vipers Kristiansand NOR (a), 06.05.2023

**Longest winning run** 3 matches (11.12.2022 – 08.01.2023)

**Longest unbeaten run** 6 matches (10.09.2022 – 23.10.2022)

**Longest losing run** 2 matches (30.04.2023 – 06.05.2023)

**Longest run without win** 2 matches (30.04.2023 – 06.05.2023)

**Most goals** 39 v WHC Buducnost BEMAX MNE 39:29W (h), 08.01.2023

**Most goals opponent** 40 v Vipers Kristiansand NOR 40:31L (a), 06.05.2023

**Most goals both teams** 71 v Vipers Kristiansand NOR 40:31L (a), 06.05.2023

**Fewest goals** 24 v Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO 29:24L (a), 19.03.2023

**Fewest goals opponent** 22 v Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK TUR 28:22W (h), 22.01.2023  
22 v HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 27:22W (h), 12.02.2023

**Fewest goals both teams** 49 v HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 27:22W (h), 12.02.2023



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
2	Lara	González Ortega	ESP	Left Back	22/02/1992	Alicante, ESP	186
7	<b>Eliza</b>	<b>Buceschi C</b>	<b>ROU</b>	<b>Centre Back</b>	<b>01/08/1993</b>	<b>Baia Mare, ROU</b>	<b>177</b>
10	Albertina	Da Cruz Kassoma	ANG	Line Player	12/06/1996	Luanda, ANG	194
12	Diana	Ciuca	ROU	Goalkeeper	01/06/2000	Craiova, ROU	180
16	Denisa	Sandru	ROU	Goalkeeper	27/09/1994	Brasov, ROU	182
17	Marta	López Herrero	ESP	Right Wing	04/02/1990	Malaga, ESP	168
18	Mathilde	Neesgaard Mogensen	DEN	Centre Back	02/04/1993	Herning, DEN	178
20	Dorina	Korsós	HUN	Left Wing	03/09/1995	Kecskemet, HUN	169
21	Laura	Kanor	FRA	Left Wing	16/06/1997	Les Abymes, FRA	175
22	Orlane	Kanor	FRA	Left Back	16/06/1997	Les Abymes, FRA	178
23	Ivana	Kapitanovic	CRO	Goalkeeper	17/09/1994	Split, CRO	183
27	Lorena	Ostase	ROU	Line Player	25/07/1997	Vaslui, ROU	179
34	Alicia	Fernández Fraga	ESP	Right Back	21/12/1992	Valdovino, ESP	172
44	Ainhoa	Hernández Serrador	ESP	Line Player	27/04/1994	Barakaldo, ESP	180
77	Alexandra - Diana	Badea	ROU	Right Wing	22/05/1998	Bucharest, ROU	177
79	Estavana	Polman	NED	Centre Back	05/08/1992	Arnhem, NED	174
88	Andjela	Janjusevic	SRB	Right Back	18/06/1995	Belgrade, SRB	181
99	Sorina	Grozav	ROU	Left Back	27/05/1999	Ramnicu Valcea, ROU	175







COACH



**Kim Rasmussen**



- > Danish coach, who joined Rapid just before the 2022/23 playoffs against Krim, replacing Spanish coach Carlos Viver
- > won CL with Rapid's domestic rivals CSM Bucuresti in 2016
- > took over as Montenegro coach only 10 days prior to the EHF EURO 2020, succeeding Per Johansson
- > spent six years at the helm of the Polish national team, leading them to the semi-finals at the WCh 2013 and 2015, and led Hungary for four years
- > previously coached at Roskilde in his native Denmark

**EC trophies: CL 2016 (as coach)**

**DEPARTURES**

Azenaide Carlos	>	(CSM Corona Brasov, ROU)
Espinola Irene	>	retired
Gutierrez Jennifer	>	(CSM Bucuresti, ROU)
Perianu Gabriela	>	retired

**ARRIVALS**

Laura Kanor	<	( Metz Handball, FRA)
Lara Gonzalez	<	( Paris 92, FRA)
Mathilde Neesgaard	<	(Aarhus United, DEN)





GOALKEEPER 

**Ivana Kapitanovic**

 @ivana\_kapitanovic



LEFT WING 

**Laura Kanor**

 @laura\_kanor



LEFT BACK 

**Sorina Grozav**

 @sorinatirca



LEFT BACK 

**Orlane Kanor**

 @orlane\_kanor

- > Croatian international, who joined Rapid in 2022 after four seasons with Metz
- > made professional debut at Podravka Vegeta in her native Croatia in 2009 and spent nine years with the club, winning the domestic league eight times
- > was elected Player of the Year in Croatia in 2019
- > played for Croatia at the EHF EURO 2018 and the 2021 WCh, but missed the team's surprise run to bronze at the EHF EURO 2020 due to a knee injury

- > in the summer 2023 she joined Rapid Bucuresti and her twin sister Orlane Kanor from Metz Handball
- > Romanian vice-champions are her first international club
- > was loaned to Saint-Maur in 2019/20 in order to gain playing time, before going back to Metz the following season

- > talented left back, was top scorer of W17 EHF EURO 2015 and W19 EHF EURO 2017
- > signed for Rapid in 2021, was the team's best scorer with 146 goals in their Romanian title-winning season 2021/22 and with 72 goals also in their debut CL season 2022/23
- > previously played for Brasov, the only other club in her career so far, and gained international experience during three seasons in the EHF Cup
- > daughter of Romania women's national team top scorer Mariana Tirca, who scored more than 1,500 goals and won the CL with Croatian Podravka in 1995/96

- > played her first EHF Champions League games in 2016, when she was aged just 18
- > her twin sister, Laura moved from Metz in summer 2023, but on the left wing position
- > arrived in France from Guadeloupe in 2015, together with sister Laura
- > her physical strength and jumps make her a key asset for Rapid



CENTRE BACK 

**Eliza Buceschi**

 @elizabuceschi



LINE PLAYER 

**Lorena Ostase**

 @lorwrena



RIGHT BACK 

**Alicia Fernandez**

 @aalifernandez



RIGHT WING 

**Marta Lopez Herrero**

 @martalh17

- > Rapid are the seventh club in her career; she played outside Romania twice – for Thüringer HC in Germany and for FC Midtjylland in Denmark
- > her father, Costica, was her coach at Baia Mare; her mother, Carmen, played alongside Eliza when she made her debut in the Romanian league
- > made the CL All-star Team as best young player in the 2014/15 season
- > Romanian international, who scored more than 200 goals in 80 games

- > regarded one of the most talented line players of her generation, but put aside several offers and stayed at CSM Slatina in the lower ranks of the Romanian league until 2022
- > at age 25, set to make her debut in a European competition after joining Rapid
- > won gold and made the All-star Team at the 2014 Youth WCh in Russia
- > playing for Romania national team since 2019, sharing playing time with Crina Pintea

- > Spanish international, who has been playing in Romania since 2017
- > joined Rapid from domestic league rivals Ramnicu Valcea in 2021
- > one of the most technical players in the Romanian league, named Player of the Year in 2018/19 – the season Ramnicu Valcea beat CSM Bucuresti to the Romanian title
- > playing for Spain’s national team since 2017, won silver at 2019 WCh in Japan

- > arrived at Rapid from Romanian league rivals Ramnicu Valcea in 2021
- > Rapid are her fourth club in the CL, after previously playing in the top flight with Fleury Loiret, Bera Bera (qualification), and Ramnicu Valcea
- > named best right wing of French League in 2013 and 2014, when playing for Fleury
- > Spanish international, who returned to the team in 2019 after a three-year break

WCh: S 2019

EHF EURO: S 2014, OG: B 2012, WCh: 2019





# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Sorina Grozav**  
@sorinatirca  
**72 GOALS**



**Eliza Buceschi**  
@elizabuceschi  
**70 GOALS**



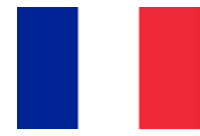
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**53 GOALS**



**Lorena Ostase**  
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**45 GOALS**



**Estavana Polman**  
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**43 GOALS**



# METZ HANDBALL

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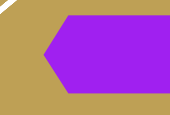
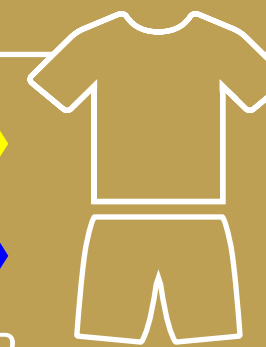
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## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



PLAYER



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### DARK



PLAYER



GK

The French champions failed to qualify for their third EHF FINAL4 after being stopped in the quarter-finals in March. They are eager to return to the season's marquee event and repeat the club's biggest success - finishing third in the 2021/22 season. With new faces in the club, Emmanuel Mayonnade will try to find a perfect recipe to deliver yet another fantastic performance in the EHF Champions League. With strong and successful pre-season preparation matches and opponents, which included Rapid Bucuresti, Krim Mercator, Buducnost BEMAX and SG BBM Bietigheim, Metz are not just eyeing the EHF FINAL4 but also the progress of the players with a desire to deliver a great spectacle to handball fans.

**GROUP B**

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# METZ HANDBALL

## MAIN FACTS

- > Metz are entering their 25th EHF Champions League season with four new players: Alina Grijseels, Anne Mette Hansen, Djazz Chambertin and Lucie Granier, while young Mia Brkić has returned back from loan
- > the French side finished the 2022/23 season with the double in France for the eighth time since 1989
- > during the summer, ten players left the club including Bruna De Paula, Tamara Horaček, Valeriia Maslova and Laura Kanor
- > in Group B Metz will meet an opponent they have not played against before in a European Cup competition: Ikast Handbold
- > head coach Emmanuel Mayonnade enters his eighth year at the helm

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 25

Semi-finals (2): 2018/19, 2021/22

Quarter-finals (5): 2016/17, 2017/18, 2019/20\*, 2020/21, 2022/23

Main Round (2): 2011/12, 2014/15

Last 16 (2): 1994/95, 1995/96

Last 32 (1): 1993/94

Group Matches (8): 1996/97, 1997/98, 1999/2000, 2000/01, 2002/03, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2013/14

Qualification (4): 2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08

\* 2019/20 season not played to a finish due to Covid-19 pandemic

### **Other**

*EHF Cup*: Final 2012/13; Quarter-finals: 2000/01, 2004/05, 2005/06, 2007/08

*Cup Winners' Cup*: Final: 2012/13; Semi-finals: 1998/99, 2003/04, 2009/10, 2010/11

*French league*: 25 titles (1989, 1990, 1993-97, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2004-09, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2016-19, 2022, 2023)

*French cup*: 11 titles (1990, 1994, 1998, 1999, 2010, 2013, 2014, 2017, 2019, 2022, 2023)

*League Cup*: 8 titles: 2014, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005



## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
1996/97 ASPTT Metz FRA	6	0	2	4	108:137		-29	2:10	4th Gr. C
1997/98 ASPTT Metz HB FRA	6	1	1	4	135:166		-31	3:9	4th Gr. B
1999/00 ASPTT Metz FRA	6	3	0	3	130:121		+9	6:6	3rd Gr. A
2002/03 Handball Metz Metropole FRA	6	1	0	5	142:176		-34	2:10	4th Gr. D
2008/09 Metz Handball FRA	6	2	0	4	173:188		-15	4:8	3rd Gr. D
2009/10 Metz Handball FRA	6	2	1	3	163:174		-11	5:7	3rd Gr. B
2011/12 Metz Handball FRA	12	3	1	8	298:322		-24	7:17	4th MR Gr. 2
2013/14 Metz Handball FRA	6	3	0	3	149:144		+5	6:6	3rd Gr. C
2014/15 Metz Handball FRA	12	3	1	8	305:318		-13	7:17	5th MR Gr. 2
2016/17 Metz Handball FRA	14	8	0	6	376:338		+38	16:12	Quarter-final
2017/18 Metz Handball FRA	14	10	0	4	372:354		+18	20:8	Quarter-final
2018/19 Metz Handball FRA	16	11	1	4	470:389		+81	23:9	Fourth Place
2019/20 Metz Handball FRA	12	7	3	2	361:321		+40	17:7	Quarter-final*
2020/21 Metz Handball FRA	18	12	1	5	459:414		+45	25:11	Quarter-final
2021/22 Metz Handball FRA	20	14	1	5	554:475		+79	29:11	Third Place
2022/23 Metz Handball FRA	16	13	1	2	487:411		+76	27:5	Quarter-final
<b>Total:</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>4682:4448</b>		<b>+234</b>	<b>199:153</b>	

\* Quarter-finals and EHF FINAL4 cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.





## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

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**MATCHES**  
Longest  
winning run

10

**MATCHES**  
Longest  
unbeaten run

42

**GOALS**  
Most goals

<b>Biggest win</b>	38:13 (20:6) v HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO (h), 22.10.2022
<b>Biggest defeat</b>	34:17 (13:10) v Mar El Osito L'Eliaana ESP (a), 25.01.1998
<b>Longest winning run</b>	10 matches (22.10.2022 – 29.04.2023)
<b>Longest unbeaten run</b>	10 matches (22.10.2022 – 29.04.2023)
<b>Longest losing run</b>	6 matches (11.01.2003 – 01.11.2008)
<b>Longest run without win</b>	8 matches (10.11.1996 – 15.11.1997)
<b>Most goals</b>	42 v HC Vardar MKD 42:28W (h), 05.03.2017
<b>Most goals opponent</b>	39 v Györi Audi ETO KC HUN 39:30L (a), 15.01.2022
<b>Most goals both teams</b>	76 v Vipers Kristiansand NOR 38:38D (a), 20.10.2019
<b>Fewest goals</b>	14 v Hypo Niederösterreich AUT 27:14L (a), 17.11.1996
<b>Fewest goals opponent</b>	13 v HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 38:13W (h), 22.10.2022
<b>Fewest goals both teams</b>	33 v Byasen Trondheim NOR 16:17L (h), 10.11.1996



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
1	Camille	Depuiset	FRA	Goalkeeper	19/10/1998	Dijon, FRA	180
3	Ludvine	Kaakil-Talaba	FRA	Back	02/05/2005	Baie Mahault, FRA	170
4	Alina	Grijseels	GER	Centre Back	12/04/1996	Wesel, GER	175
5	Nelya	Goval	FRA	Left Wing	30/11/2005	Corneilles en Parisis, FRA	173
6	<b>Chloé</b>	<b>Valentini C</b>	<b>FRA</b>	<b>Left Wing</b>	<b>19/04/1995</b>	<b>Besançon, FRA</b>	<b>165</b>
7	Merle	Albers	GER	Line Player	19/04/2004	Dortmund, GER	183
8	Anne Mette	Hansen	DEN	Left Back	25/08/1994	Glostrup, DEN	182
9	Delia	Golvét	FRA	Right Wing	21/10/2005	La Trinite, FRA	164
10	Kristina	Jørgensen	DEN	Centre Back	17/01/1998	Viborg, DEN	185
11	Mia	Brkic	CRO	Line Player	11/05/2003		180
16	Fatima	Camara	FRA	Goalkeeper	07/12/2004		174
17	Claire	Koestner	FRA	Centre Back	10/02/2006		166
19	Louise	Vinter Burggaard	DEN	Right Back	17/10/1992	Esbjerg, DEN	176
21	Andela	Zagar	CRO	Right Back	22/07/2004	Zagreb, CRO	194
23	Zaliata	Mlamali	FRA	Left Wing	23/02/2003	Marseille, FRA	172
24	Emma	Jacques	FRA	Right Back	29/11/2001	Metz, FRA	190
27	Sarah	Bouktit	FRA	Line Player	27/08/2002	Mont St Martin, FRA	185
28	Lucie	Granier	FRA	Right Wing	11/06/1999	Marseille, FRA	167
31	Djazz	Chambertin	FRA	Left Back	24/06/1997	Ravena, ITA	175
42	Emma	Tuccella	FRA	Right Wing	08/01/2004	Mont St Martin, FRA	169
51	Lily	Balassi	HUN	Centre Back	24/05/2005	Budapest, HUN	184
70	Julie	Le Blevéc	FRA	Right Wing	27/06/2000	Neuilly sur Seine, FRA	165
98	Manon	Errard	FRA	Right Wing	09/02/2005	Noumea, FRA	178
99	Hatadou	Sako	FRA	Goalkeeper	21/10/1995	Tournan en Brie, FRA	173







## COACH



**Emmanuel  
Mayonnade**



- > in charge of Metz since the 2015/16 season
- > became only the second French coach to reach the EHF FINAL4 in Budapest when Metz qualified in 2019
- > elected best coach in the CL 2019/20 All-star Team
- > started coaching at age 23 in Mios and stayed with the French club for 10 years
- > took over the Dutch national team in March 2019 and won the world title that year, but left after the Tokyo Olympics in 2021
- > CL All-star-Team 2018/19, 2019/20

**WCh: G 2019**

## DEPARTURES

- |                   |   |                                 |
|-------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Bruna De Paula    | > | (Györi Audit ETO KC, HUN)       |
| Camila Micijevic  | > | (Paris 92, FRA)                 |
| Tamara Horacek    | > | (Neptunes de Nantes, FRA)       |
| Debbie Bont       | > | retired                         |
| Laura Kanor       | > | (CS Rapid Bucuresti, ROU)       |
| Noémie Barthélémy | > | (Lille Métropole Handball, FRA) |
| Stelvia Pascoal   | > | (Saint Amand Handball, FRA)     |
| Luisa Schulze     | > | (Vipers Kristiansand, NOR)      |
| Valeriia Maslova  | > | (Brest Bretagne Handball, FRA)  |
| Mélanie Halter    | > | (Saint Amand Handball, FRA)     |

## ARRIVALS

- |                   |   |                                  |
|-------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Alina Grijseels   | < | (BV Borussia Dortmund, GER)      |
| Anne Mette Hansen | < | (Györi Audi ETO KC, HUN)         |
| Djazz Chambertin  | < | (Nice Côte d'Azur Handball, FRA) |
| Mia Brkic         | < | (Saint Amand Handball, FRA)      |
| Lucie Granier     | < | (ESBF Besancon Handball, FRA)    |



GOALKEEPER



**Camille  
Depuiset**

@camille\_dpst

- > talented goalkeeper, who arrived at Metz in 2022, set to play her first CL season; previously played for French clubs Toulon (2015-19) and Bourgneuf (2019-22)
- > part of the French team that won the W19 EHF EURO 2017 in Slovenia
- > has been called up for the senior national team several times but – at the start of the 2022/23 season – was still to play her first game for France



LEFT WING



**Chloé  
Valentini**

@chloppette

- > after playing for eight seasons in Besançon, moved to Metz in the summer of 2021
- > scored 38 goals in the CL 2021/22 – her first season in Europe’s top flight
- > won medals with France in her first three events: EURO 2020, Olympics, WCh 2021
- > part of the new talented French handball generation, alongside Laura Flippes, Méline Nocandy and Orlane Kanor

EURO: S 2020; OG: G 2020; WCh: S 2021



LEFT BACK

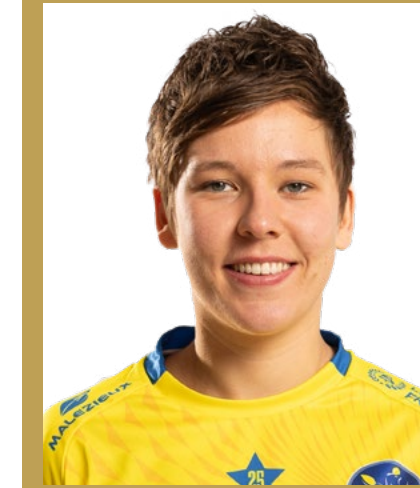


**Anne Mette  
Hansen**

@a\_to\_the\_m

- > Danish international, who arrived at Metz in summer 2023 from Győr
- > the left back arrived in Győr in 2017, which was her first club outside Denmark
- > the team captain, who has won the CL twice with Győr; was named CL All-star left back after winning her second title in 2018/19
- > started handball at age 9 in Copenhagen, joined København Håndbold in 2014
- > won 2012 Youth WCh, became member of the senior team the following year, winning three medals

CL 2018, 2019 EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2013, 2021



CENTRE BACK



**Alina  
Grijseels**

@alinagrijseels

- > was 18 when she joined Dortmund in 2014, left the club after nine years, having signed with Metz Handball from the 2023/24 season
- > one of Dortmund’s best goal scorers, netted 34 times in EL 2022/23 before the finals
- > played for all German youth and junior national teams, highlighted by silver at 2014 U18 World Championship; now co-captain of senior national team
- > was Germany’s leading scorer at EHF EURO 2022, with 44 goals





LEFT/CENTRE BACK 


**Kristina Jørgensen**

 @kristina\_jorgensen



RIGHT BACK 

**Louise Vinter Burggaard**

 @louivburggaard




RIGHT WING 


**Lucie Granier**

 @L\_granier



LINE PLAYER 

**Sarah Bouktit**

 @sarahbouktit

- > joined Metz in the summer of 2022 from Viborg HK, the EHF Finals 2022 hosts
- > made her debut in the Danish league as an 18-year-old; was born in Horsens but started her senior career in Skanderborg
- > versatile back court player, who can play on the left or in the centre
- > named MVP of the W19 EHF EURO 2017, where Denmark won silver
- > best left back in the Danish league in the last two seasons

- > joined Metz in 2019 as one of several Danish players moving to France that summer
- > made debut in Danish league at age 17 with KIF Vejen; in Danish national team at 19
- > also played for Holstebro, Viborg and Herning-Ikast (formerly known as Midtjylland)
- > played CL with all her three Danish clubs and won Cup Winners' Cup with Viborg

- > born in Marseille, made her national team debut for France in October 2021
- > played her first international tournament two months later at the 2021 WCh
- > a real offensive talent joining from Besancon where she arrived in 2017
- > Metz are only her second professional club

- > started career at Metz and returned to the club in 2021 after one season with Fleury
- > 2021/22 was her best European season so far, scoring 46 goals for Metz in the CL
- > named in the All-star Team of the W17 EHF EURO 2019 as best line player; took part in the EHF Respect Your Talent programme that year
- > made national team debut for France in two EHF EURO 2022 Qualifiers in March 2022

EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2021

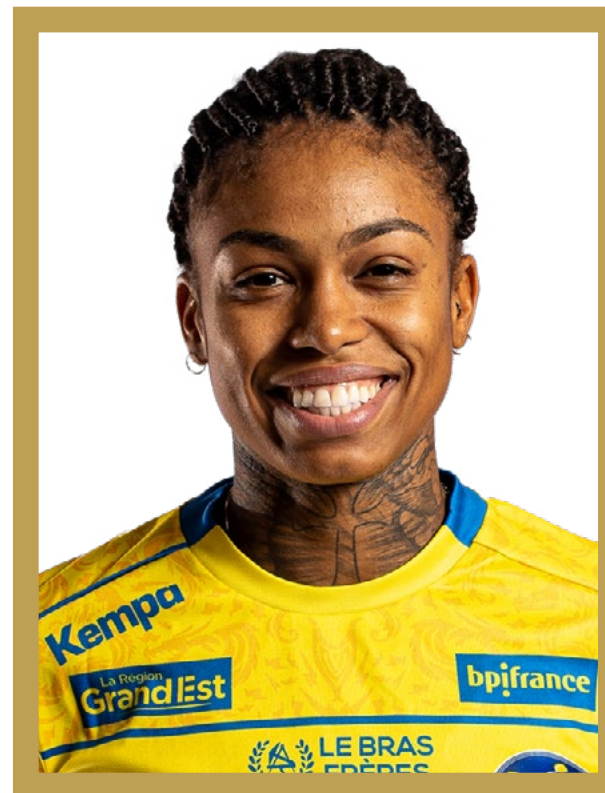
EC trophies: CWC 2014 EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2013, 2021

WCh: S 2021





# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Bruna  
de Paula**

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**86 GOALS**



**Kristina  
Jörgensen**

@kristina\_jorgensen

**70 GOALS**



**Chloé  
Valentini**

@chloppette

**69 GOALS**



**Sarah  
Bouktit**

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**64 GOALS**



**Tamara  
Horacek**

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**41 GOALS**







# VIPERS KRISTIANSAND

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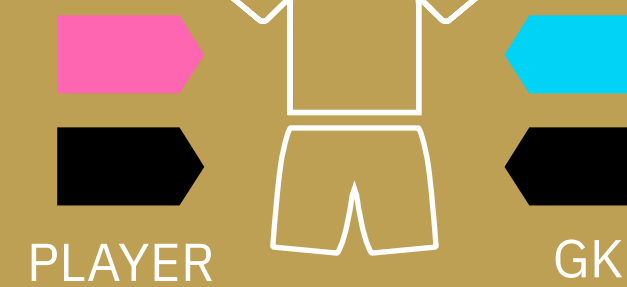


**Aquarama Kristiansand**  
**Tangen 8**  
**4608 Kristiansand**  
**Norway**

**Capacity:**  
**2,200**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



### DARK



The reigning European champions are entering their new era. Following the departure of the head coach Ole Gustav Gjekstad after his third CL title with the club, Tomáš Hlavatý and Lene Rantala will try to build their own Vipers legacy while continuing down the same successful path.

In another busy summer, Vipers underwent a new makeover of the team. Three players ended their careers, while high-profile players Ragnhild Valle Dahl, Markéta Jeřábková and Katarina Ježić left the club. However, four new signings hope to deliver more good experiences to the club in the quest of another EHF FINAL4.

**GROUP B**



# VIPERS KRISTIANSAND

## MAIN FACTS

- > Vipers Kristiansand are only the second club in CL history to lift the trophy three years in a row; Győr were the first to achieve it (2017, 2018 and 2019)
- > The Norwegian powerhouse are heading into their seventh season in Europe's top flight after making their debut in the 2017/18 season
- > Ole Gustav Gjekstad left the club after five years; his assistant coach Tomáš Hlavatý and goalkeeper coach Lene Rantala will be the new duo at the helm
- > the second-best scorer of the 2022/23 season with 118 goals, Marketa Jerabkova left the club and joined Ikast Håndbold
- > the team has players from ten different nations: Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Netherlands, Spain, Croatia, Czech Republic, Germany, France and Russia

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 7

Winners (3): 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23

Semi-finals (1): 2018/19

Main round (1): 2019/20

Group matches (1): 2017/18

### Other

*Cup Winners' Cup*: Quarter-finals: 2015/16

*EHF Cup*: Final: 2017/18; Semi-final: 2003/04; Last 16: 2004/05

*Norwegian league*: 6 titles (2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023)

*Norwegian cup*: 6 titles (2018-23)





## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2017/18 Vipers Kristiansand NOR	6	1	0	5	144:154		-10	2:10	4th Gr. D
2018/19 Vipers Kristiansand NOR	16	10	1	5	451:416		+35	21:11	Third Place
2019/20 Vipers Kristiansand NOR	12	3	1	8	339:356		-17	7:17	5th MR Gr. 1
2020/21 Vipers Kristiansand NOR	20	11	3	6	516:490		+26	25:15	Winner
2021/22 Vipers Kristiansand NOR	18	14	0	4	566:477		+89	28:8	Winner
2022/23 Vipers Kristiansand NOR	18	15	1	2	592:488		+104	31:5	Winner
<b>Total:</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2608:2381</b>		<b>+227</b>	<b>114:66</b>	



EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

**9** MATCHES  
Longest winning run

**9** MATCHES  
Longest unbeaten run

**43** GOALS  
Most goals

**Biggest win** 21:43 (15:20) v DHK Banik Most CZE (a), 03.12.2022

**Biggest defeat** 22:31 (8:18) v Györi Audi ETO KC HUN (n), 11.05.2019  
26:17 (12:10) v Metz Handball FRA (a), 03.11.2019

**Longest winning run** 9 matches (12.02.2022 – 24.09.2022)  
9 matches (07.01.2023 – 04.06.2023)

**Longest unbeaten run** 9 matches (12.02.2022 – 24.09.2022)  
9 matches (07.01.2023 – 04.06.2023)

**Longest losing run** 6 matches (25.01.2020 – 07.03.2020)

**Longest run without win** 7 matches (22.10.2017 – 20.10.2018)

**Most goals** 43 v DHK Banik Most CZE 21:43W (a), 03.12.2022

**Most goals opponent** 38 v Metz Handball FRA 38:38D (h), 20.10.2019

**Most goals both teams** 76 v Metz Handball FRA 38:38D (h), 20.10.2019

**Fewest goals** 17 v Metz Handball FRA 26:17L (a), 03.11.2019

**Fewest goals opponent** 18 v Buducnost MNE 25:18W (h), 13.04.2019

**Fewest goals both teams** 41 v Metz Handball FRA 23:18L (a), 26.09.2021



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
1	Sofie	Börjesson	SWE	Goalkeeper	31/05/1997	Herrestad, SWE	186
6	Oceane	Sercien-Ugolin	FRA	Right Back	15/12/1997	Cherbourg-Octeville, FRA	175
7	Martine	Kårigstad Andersen	NOR	Left Back	07/05/2002	Kristiansand, NOR	175
8	Karine	Dahlum	NOR	Right Back	16/12/1999	Kristiansand, NOR	179
9	Jamina	Roberts	SWE	Left Back	28/05/1990	Bergsjön, SWE	176
10	Vilde	Kaurin Jonassen	NOR	Left Wing	01/09/1992	Kristiansand, NOR	164
11	Silje	Waade	NOR	Right Back	20/03/1994	Stjørdal, NOR	183
12	Julie	Stokkendal Poulsen	DEN	Goalkeeper	06/06/2001	Viborg, DEN	180
13	Anna	Vyakhireva	RUS	Right Back	13/03/1995	Volgograd, RUS	168
14	Tuva Ulsaker	Høve	NOR	Right Wing	11/06/2000	Trondheim, NOR	175
15	Tuva	Pharo	NOR	Line Player	07/07/2004	Bærum, NOR	176
<b>16</b>	<b>Katrine</b>	<b>Lunde C</b>	<b>NOR</b>	<b>Goalkeeper</b>	<b>30/03/1980</b>	<b>Kristiansand, NOR</b>	<b>181</b>
18	Mina	Hesselberg	NOR	Left Wing	20/04/2000	Langhus, NOR	177
20	Lysa	Tchaptchet	ESP	Line Player	20/12/2001	Yaoundé, CMR	183
21	Paula	Arcos	ESP	Back	21/12/2001	Petrer (Alicante), ESP	166
22	Marta	Tomac	NOR	Back	20/09/1990	Trondheim, NOR	179
23	Lois	Abbingh	NED	Centre Back	13/08/1992	Groningen, NED	177
27	Sunniva	Næs Andersen	NOR	Left Wing	12/11/1996	Porsgrunn, NOR	173
31	Ana	Debelic	CRO	Line Player	09/01/1994	Rijeka, CRO	183
33	Luisa	Schulze	GER	Line Player	14/09/1990	Altenburg, GER	190
37	Jana	Knedlikova	CZE	Right Wing	22/06/1989	Praha, CZE	168







## COACH



**Tomáš  
Hlavatý**



- > took over the team from Ole Gustav Gjekstad to whom he was an assistant coach
- > Hlavatý will lead reigning European champions together with Danish legendary player Lene Rantala who also is a goalkeeper coach in Vipers
- > Slovak coach first started with coaching job at the age of 16 when he was helping his mother in the junior team in hometown Sala
- > before joining Vipers he also coached Iuventa Michalovce, Partizanske, Slavia Prague, Mosonmagyaróvár and was an assistant coach in Győr, Rostov-Don and Russia national team

## DEPARTURES

- |                     |   |                          |
|---------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Tonje Refsnes       | > | retired                  |
| Hanna Yttereng      | > | retired                  |
| Nerea Pena          | > | retired                  |
| Ragnhild Valle Dahl | > | (Odense Håndbold, DEN)   |
| Markéta Jeřábková   | > | (Ikast Håndbold, DEN)    |
| Katarina Ježić      | > | (HC Dunărea Brăila, ROU) |

## ARRIVALS

- |               |   |                         |
|---------------|---|-------------------------|
| Lois Abbingh  | < | (Odense Håndbold, DEN)  |
| Paula Acros   | < | (Atlético Guardés, ESP) |
| Luisa Schulze | < | (Metz Handball, FRA)    |
| Tuva Pharo    | < | (Glassverket, NOR)      |



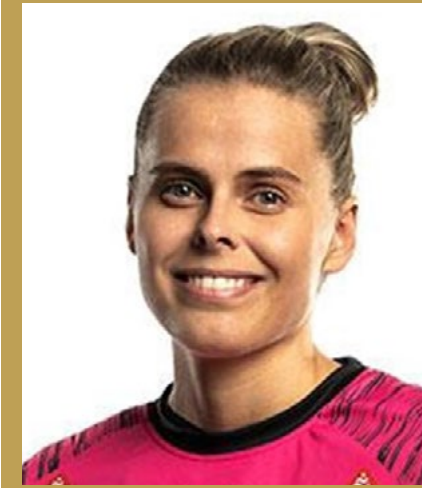


GOALKEEPER



**Katrine Lunde**

@katrinelundenor



LEFT WING



**Sunniva Næs Andersen**

@suniyaandersen

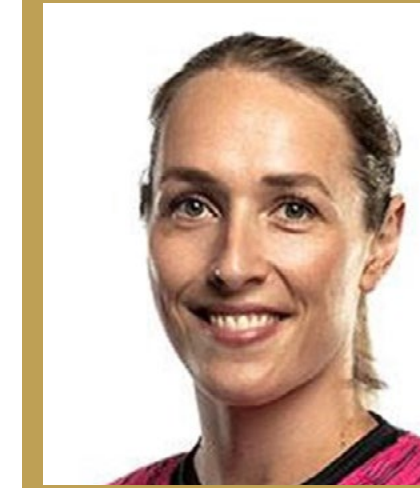


LEFT BACK



**Jamina Roberts**

@jaminaroberts



CENTRE BACK



**Lois Abbingh**

@loisabbingh1

- > Norwegian international, who is still a world-class goalkeeper in her 40s, with a storied career that included spells with Viborg, Győr, and Rostov-Don
- > has most saves (146) among all goalkeepers in CL 2022/23 quarter-finals
- > returned in 2020/21 from a severe knee injury, has won the CL both seasons since
- > seven-time CL winner – two times each with Viborg and Győr, and three times with Vipers

CL 2009, 2010, 2013, 2014, 2021, 2022, 2023; EHF Cup 2017  
EURO: G 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2020, 2022, S 2002, 2012; OG: G 2008, 2012, B 2016; WCh: G2011, 2021, S 2007, 2017, B 2009

- > joined from Gjerpen IF in 2017; won CL twice and Norwegian league five times since
- > quit handball while playing for Gjerpen, but moved to Kristiansand to study, where then-Vipers coach Kenneth Gabrielsen ignited her passion for the sport again
- > contributed 44 goals to Vipers' CL success in 2021/22, raising her career CL tally to 84
- > made national team debut for Norway in 2021, won EHF EURO gold the following year

CL 2021, 2022, 2023 EURO: G 2022

- > Swedish international, who joined Vipers in the summer of 2022 from IK Sävehof
- > has scored 62 goals in the CL 2022/23 group phase in her first season at Vipers
- > made the All-star Team at the Tokyo Olympics, where Sweden finished fourth
- > gave birth to her first child in August 2020, but returned to playing within weeks
- > her brother, Calvin, was the All-star left wing at the Men's 20 EHF EURO 2022

CL 2023 EHF EURO: S 2010, B 2014

- > joined Vipers from Odense in summer of 2023, three years after switching to Denmark after leaving Rostov-Don
- > was first Dutch player in Russian handball, joining Rostov in 2018 from Issy Paris; previously played for Emmen, Oldenburg (both NED) and Baia Mare (ROU)
- > scored her personal best of 84 goals in the 2020/21 CL season
- > one of the few players to constantly shoot the ball at speeds over 100 km/h
- > her parents, grandparents and aunt also played handball
- > in WCh 2019 final scored the winning goal for the Netherlands against Spain

EURO: S 2016, B 2018; WCh: G 2019, S 2015, B 2017



LINE PLAYER 

**Luisa Schulze**

 @luisa\_schulze3313

- > joined Vipers in summer of 2023 after six seasons with SG BBM Bietigheim and one split between Neckarsulm and with Metz
- > previously played for HC Leipzig from the age of 16
- > at 190 cm, is tallest player in her squads at both club and national team
- > went through all YAC national teams and is a regular in the senior team again since Henk Groener became the coach
- > best defensive player of W19 EHF EURO 2009



RIGHT BACK 

**Anna Vyakhireva**

 @annavyakhireva13

- > arrived at Vipers in summer of 2022 from Rostov-Don for her first club outside Russia
- > took a break from handball after the Tokyo Olympics, returned in the spring of 2022
- > MVP of 2016 and 2020 Olympics and EURO 2018; CL All-star left back twice
- > her father Viktor Vyakhirev was a handball coach, while her sister Polina Kuznetsova plays handball professionally as a left wing
- > MVP of the OG 2016, EHF EURO 2018, EHF FINAL4 2023

EC trophies: CL 2023; EHF Cup 2017  
EURO: S 2018; OG: G 2016, S 2020, WCh: B 2019



RIGHT BACK 

**Oceane Sercien Ugolin**

 @oceane\_sercien


- > French international, who arrived in the summer of 2022 from Slovenian side Krim
- > born in Cherbourg to parents originally from Guadeloupe, started career at Paris 92
- > scored 65 times for Krim in her maiden CL season 2020/21, by far her personal best
- > got bachelor's degree in Finance, Business and Administration Management, from an online education during her two-year stint in Ljubljana

CL 2023 OG: G 2020, Ech: S 2020



RIGHT WING 

**Jana Knedlikova**

 @jana\_knedlikova

- > Czech international, who joined Vipers in 2020 after five years with Győr
- > became the first player from Czech Republic to win the CL – with Győr in 2017; is one of only four female players to have won the CL six times
- > had her personal best CL season in 2021/22, scoring 59 times for Vipers
- > used to do ice skating and ballet as a child

CL 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023





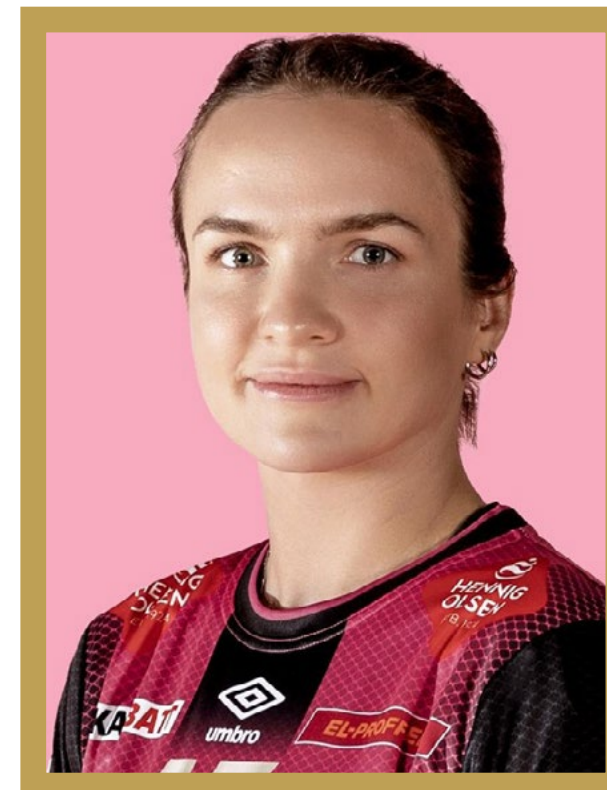
# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Markéta  
Jeřábková**

@marketa\_jerabkova5

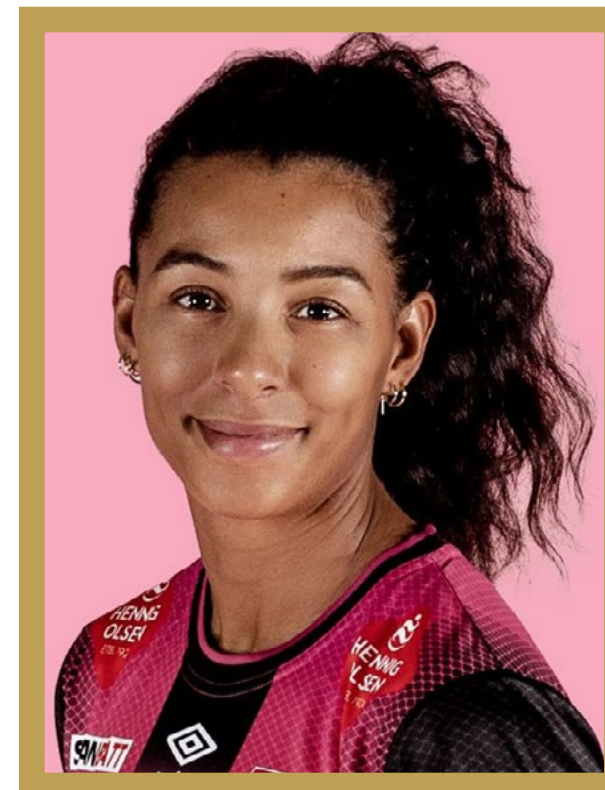
**118 GOALS**



**Anna  
Vyakhireva**

@annavyakhireva13

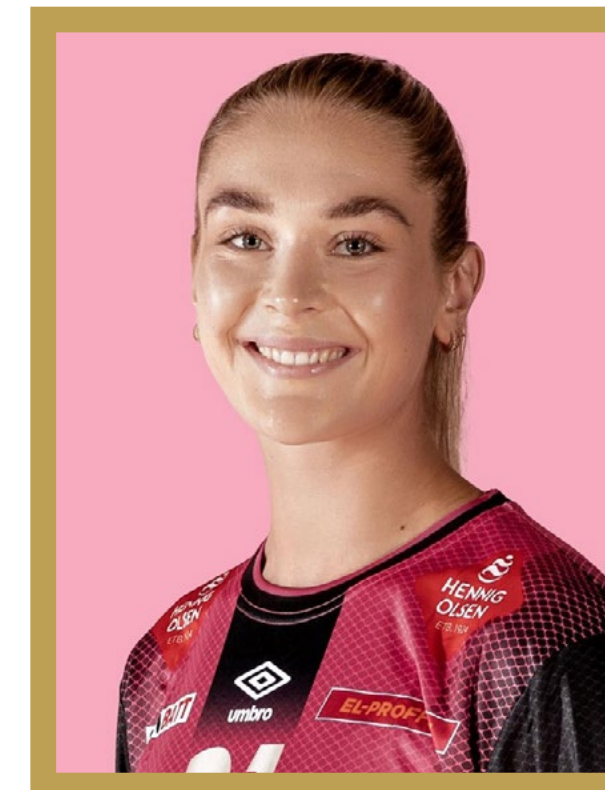
**84 GOALS**



**Jamina  
Roberts**

@jaminaroberts

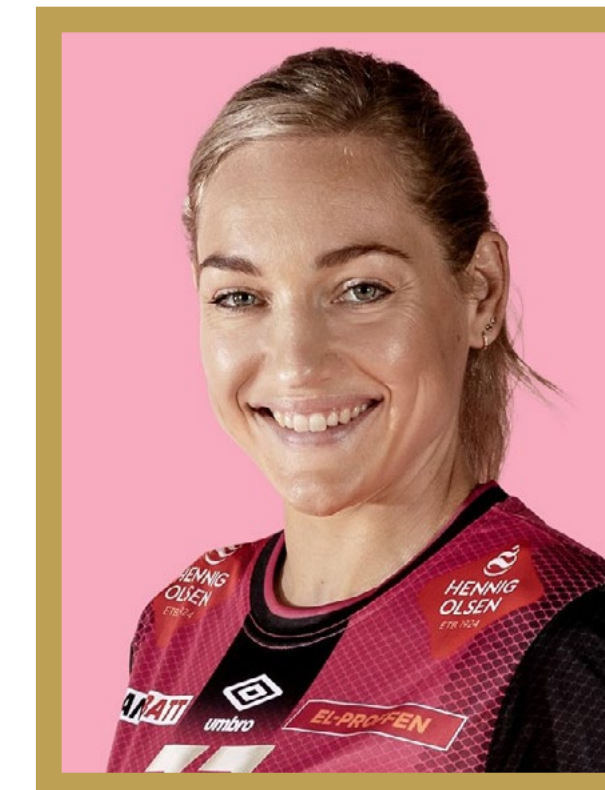
**81 GOALS**



**Ragnhild  
Dahl**

@ragnhildvd

**56 GOALS**



**Jana  
Knedlíková**

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**52 GOALS**





# KRIM MERCATOR LJUBLJANA

## CLUB ADDRESS

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**Arena Stožice**  
**Vojkova Cesta 100**  
**1000 Ljubljana**  
**Slovenia**

**Capacity:**  
**6,000**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



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RK Krim Mercator

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The former two-time EHF Champions League winners strongly desire to return to the top. Bringing the Montenegrin legendary head coach Dragan Adžić to the team at the start of the 2022/23 season marked the beginning of the new project. With a selected squad, including five new players, Krim Mercator aim to be a fine-tuned machine and to be able to keep up with the best.

In 2024 the Ljubljana-based club will celebrate their 40 years of existence and they hope this will be an additional motive for good results in Europe. Having a good mixture of experience and youth, as well as domestic players with the help of seven international players, could be crucial for reaching their objective in the top tier.

GROUP B





# KRIM MERCATOR LJUBLJANA

## MAIN FACTS

- > heading into their 29th straight EHF Champions League season, Krim Mercator are the record holders in terms of participating in the competition
- > head coach Dragan Adžić is in his second season with Krim, his second club since he started coaching in 2001
- > the two-time champions (2001, 2003) were stopped in the 2022/23 play-offs by Rapid București, losing 53:54 on aggregate
- > CL all-time top scorer Jovanka Radičević is joined by two more Montenegro national team players - Itana Grbić and Tatjana Brnović, both coming from Brest Bretagne
- > left wing Tamara Mavsar returned back to her hometown club after a one-year stint at Siófok KC

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 29

Winners (2): 2000/01, 2002/03

Final (3): 1998/99, 2003/04, 2005/06

Semi-finals (1): 2012/13

Quarter-finals (5): 1996/97, 1997/98, 2004/05, 2006/07, 2021/22

Play-offs (2): 2020/21, 2022/23

Last 16 (1): 1995/96

Main Round (10): 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2016/17,

2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20

Group Matches (4): 1999/00, 2001/02, 2007/08, 2015/16

### Other

*Champions Trophy*: Winners: 2002/03, 2003/04

*Cup Winners' Cup*: Semi-finals: 2015/16

*Slovenian league*: 28 titles (1995-15, 2017-23)

*Slovenian cup*: 28 titles (1993-97, 1999-2019, 2023)



## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
1996/97 Krim Electa Ljubljana SLO	8	4	0	4	197:178		+19	8:8	Quarter-final
1997/98 Krim Electa Ljubljana SLO	8	4	0	4	210:218		-8	8:8	Quarter-final
1998/99 Krim Electa Ljubljana SLO	12	6	1	5	298:287		+11	13:11	Runner-up
1999/00 Krim Electa NR Ljubljana SLO	6	2	1	3	153:146		+7	5:7	3rd Gr. B
2000/01 RK Krim Neutro Roberts SLO	12	6	3	3	302:270		+32	15:9	Winner
2001/02 RK Krim Neutro Roberts SLO	6	3	0	3	148:151		-3	6:6	3rd Gr. D
2002/03 Krim ETA N. Roberts Ljubljana SLO	12	10	0	2	357:302		+55	20:4	Winner
2003/04 Krim Ljubljana Slovenia SLO	12	7	0	5	344:309		+35	14:10	Runner-up
2004/05 Krim Ljubljana SLO	8	7	0	1	222:185		+37	14:2	Quarter-final
2005/06 Krim Ljubljana Slovenia SLO	12	8	0	4	312:285		+27	16:8	Runner-up
2006/07 RK Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO	8	5	0	3	245:231		+14	10:6	Quarter-final
2007/08 RK Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO	6	2	1	3	175:180		-5	5:7	3rd Gr. B
2008/09 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	6	0	6	383:386		-3	12:12	4th MR Gr. 2
2009/10 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	7	1	4	364:334		+30	15:9	3rd MR Gr. 1
2010/11 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	6	0	6	364:356		+8	12:12	3rd MR Gr. 1
2011/12 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	4	2	6	290:312		-22	10:14	3rd MR Gr. 2
2012/13 RK Krim Mercator SLO	14	8	0	6	355:355		0	16:12	Semi-final
2013/14 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	5	1	6	300:295		+5	11:13	4th MR Gr. 2
2014/15 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	2	0	10	305:374		-69	4:20	6th MR Gr. 1
2015/16 RK Krim Mercator SLO	6	0	0	6	160:208		-48	0:12	4th Gr. A
2016/17 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	4	0	8	294:345		-51	8:16	5th MR Gr. 2
2017/18 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	4	1	7	301:335		-34	9:15	6th MR Gr. 1
2018/19 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	3	2	7	297:328		-31	8:16	5th MR Gr. 2
2019/20 RK Krim Mercator SLO	12	3	1	8	310:348		-38	7:17	5th MR Gr. 2
2020/21 RK Krim Mercator SLO	16	3	3	10	371:422		-51	9:23	Play-offs
2021/22 Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO	18	5	2	11	466:498		-32	12:24	Quarter-final
2022/23 Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO	16	7	0	9	452:459		-7	14:18	Play-offs
<b>Total:</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>7975:8097</b>		<b>-122</b>	<b>281:319</b>	





## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

6	MATCHES Longest winning run
7	MATCHES Longest unbeaten run
42	GOALS Most goals

<b>Biggest win</b>	36:12 (18:3) v Anagennisi Artas GRE (h), 25.01.1997
<b>Biggest defeat</b>	39:20 (19:8) v Buducnost MNE (a), 15.03.2015
<b>Longest winning run</b>	6 matches (04.01.2003 – 22.02.2003) 6 matches (08.01.2005 – 19.02.2005)
<b>Longest unbeaten run</b>	7 matches (20.02.2000 – 10.02.2001)
<b>Longest losing run</b>	16 matches (09.11.2014 – 15.10.2016)
<b>Longest run without win</b>	16 matches (09.11.2014 – 15.10.2016)
<b>Most goals</b>	42 v DHK Banik Most CZE 29:42W (a), 24.09.2022 42 v DHK Banik Most CZE 42:31W (h), 22.01.2023
<b>Most goals opponent</b>	47 v WHC Vardar SCBT MKD 29:47L (h), 06.03.2015
<b>Most goals both teams</b>	76 v 'Buducnost' MNE 36:40L (h), 04.03.2011 76 v WHC Vardar SCBT MKD 29:47L (h), 06.03.2015
<b>Fewest goals</b>	15 v Buducnost MNE 30:15L (a), 09.02.2014
<b>Fewest goals opponent</b>	12 v Anagennisi Artas GRE 36:12W (h), 25.01.1997
<b>Fewest goals both teams</b>	34 v ESBF Besancon FRA 19:15W (h), 02.01.1999

## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
3	Manca	Juric	SLO	Line Player	18/01/1995	Ljubljana, SLO	174
4	Jovanka	Radicevic	MNE	Right Wing	23/10/1986	Podgorica, MNE	169
5	Tjaša	Stanko	SLO	Left Back	05/11/1997	Maribor, SLO	173
7	Allison	Pineau	FRA	Left Back	02/05/1989	Marron, FRA	181
8	Tamara	Mavsar	SLO	Left Wing	01/04/1991	Ljubljana, SLO	172
9	Nina	Spreitzer	SLO	Centre Back	04/03/1998	Ljubljana, SLO	178
11	Daria	Dmitrieva	RUS	Centre Back	09/08/1995	Togliatti, RUS	181
12	Barbara	Arenhart	BRA	Goalkeeper	04/10/1986	Novo Hamburgo, BRA	181
15	Valentina	Klemencic	SLO	Line Player	05/02/2002	Kranj, SLO	185
16	Maja	Vojnovic	SLO	Goalkeeper	26/01/1998	Novo mesto, SLO	180
17	Elena	Erceg	SLO	Left Wing	07/06/2006	Ljubljana, SLO	186
18	Nina	Zulic	SLO	Centre Back	04/12/1995	Ljubljana, SLO	
20	Alja	Varagic	SLO	Right Back	11/12/1990	Celje, SLO	185
23	Betchaidelle	Ngombebe	CGO	Left Back	23/04/2004	Brazzaville, CGO	190
<b>25</b>	<b>Barbara</b>	<b>Lazovic</b> <b>C</b>	<b>SLO</b>	<b>Right Back</b>	<b>04/01/1988</b>	<b>Brezice, SLO</b>	<b>183</b>
34	Tatjana	Brnovic	MNE	Line Player	09/11/1998	Cetinje, MNE	184
66	Aleksandra	Rosiak	POL	Left Back	07/07/1997	Lubin, POL	182
75	Dijana	Đajic	SLO	Goalkeeper	03/10/2004	Ljubljana, SLO	185
88	Ema	Abina	SLO	Left Wing	18/02/1999	Ljubljana, SLO	170
96	Itana	Grbic	MNE	Centre Back	01/09/1996	Podgorica, MNE	171







## COACH



**Dragan  
Adžić**



- > Montenegrin coach and two-time CL winner, who arrived at Krim in summer of 2022 to replace Nataliya Derepasko
- > has also been in charge of Slovenian women's national team since 2021
- > retired from playing due to injury in 1998 and started as an assistant coach at Buducnost three years later
- > became head coach of Buducnost and the Montenegrin national team in 2010; won both the CL and EHF EURO in 2012
- > stepped down from national team duties in 2017 and left Buducnost in 2020

**EC trophies: CL 2012, 2015; CWC 2010  
EURO: G 2012**

## DEPARTURES

Maja Svetik	>	(BT Fuchse-AUT)
Natasa Ljepoja	>	(Valcea, ROU)
Sanja Radosavljevic	>	(Kristianstad, SWE)
Jovana Risovic	>	(SCM Craiova, ROU)
Zala Miklic	>	retired

## ARRIVALS

Tanja Brnovic	<	(Rostov Don, RUS)
Itana Grbic	<	(Brest Bretagne, FRA)
Tamara Mavsar	<	(Siófok, HUN)
Maja Vojnovic	<	(Siófok, HUN)
Dijana Dajic	<	(Olimpija, SLO)



GOALKEEPER 

**Barbara Arenhart**

 @babiarenhart

- > came to Krim in 2021 from one season at Buducnost
- > played for Sagunto, Byasen, Hypo Niederösterreich, Baia Mare, Nykobing and Vác
- > had her first appearance in the CL in 2009/10 season
- > experienced goalkeeper and member of Brazilian national team
- > named the best goalkeeper at the WCh 2013
- > All-star goalkeeper of the WCh 2013

CWC 2013



LEFT WING 

**Tamara Mavsar**

 @tamciii

- > born in Ljubljana and started her handball career at Krim, played for Vardar, returned to Krim and had a one-year stint with Siófok KC before returning to Ljubljana
- > returned to the national team in April 2022 after a three-year absence, also became a mother in that period
- > made her CL debut aged 17 and was named among the best up-and-coming CL players in 2012/13
- > reached CL final with Vardar in 2016/17 season



LEFT BACK 

**Tjaša Stanko**

 @tjasastanko

- > Slovenian international, who scored 75 times in the CL 2021/22 in her first season back with Krim following stints with Podravka and Metz
- > was voted best young player of the CL 2017/18 during her first period at Krim
- > playing mainly at left back, but is also effective at centre and right back
- > also leading player for Slovenian national team; scored 12 goals as Slovenia beat eventual champions Netherlands 32:26 at the WCh 2019



CENTRE BACK 

**Itana Grbic**

 @iiiiig96

- > born in Podgorica and learned to play handball at Buducnost, but started senior career at Vardar where she played between 2014 and 2016
- > arrived at Krim in the summer of 20223 after one season with Brest Bretagne; previously played for Buducnost, CSM Bucuresti and FTC
- > can perform as both left wing and centre back
- > wears number 96 as a reference to her year of birth

EURO: B 2022





CENTRE BACK 

**Daria Dmitrieva**

 @dashikdmitrieva07



LINE PLAYER 

**Tatjana Brnovic**

 @tbrnovic34



RIGHT BACK 

**Barbara Lazovic**

 @barbaralazovic



RIGHT WING 

**Jovanka Radicevic**

 @jovankaradicevic4

- > Russian national team captain, joining Krim in 2022 on loan from CSKA
- > moved to CSKA in 2019 from Lada, but missed the entire 2019/20 season due to an Achilles tendon injury
- > born in Togliatti, played for Volgograd before re-joining home town club Lada in 2015
- > won Olympic gold in 2016 and was named in the All-star Team

- > scored 34 goals in her debut CL season in 2017/18; was named Rookie of the Main Round by EHFTV viewers
- > in 2023 she joined Krim Mercator for the second time after previously playing for them in 2022 after brief spells at Rostov-Don and Brest Bretagne
- > made her national team debut for Montenegro in 2017, previously a member of the youth and junior national teams
- > has more than 50 caps for Montenegro

- > Slovenian international, who returned to Krim in the summer of 2022 after eight years
- > played for Vardar, CSM Bucuresti (twice), and Buducnost in the meantime; reached the CL final with Vardar twice, in 2017 and 2018
- > 2019/20 season was her personal best with 48 goals for Buducnost
- > married to Montenegrin national team player Vuk Lazovic

- > Montenegrin international, who arrived at Krim in 2022 after one year at Kastamonu
- > scored 91 times in the 2022/23 season, bringing her all-time Champions League total to a record 1,069 goals
- > previously played for Buducnost (in her native Podgorica), Györ, Vardar, and CSM; won the CL with Györ in 2013
- > part of the Montenegrin team that won Olympic silver and EHF EURO gold in 2012
- > named in the All-star Teams of the EHF EURO 2012 and WCh 2015

OG: G 2016; EURO: S 2018

EURO: B 2022

CL 2013  
EURO: G 2012, B 2022; OS: S 2012



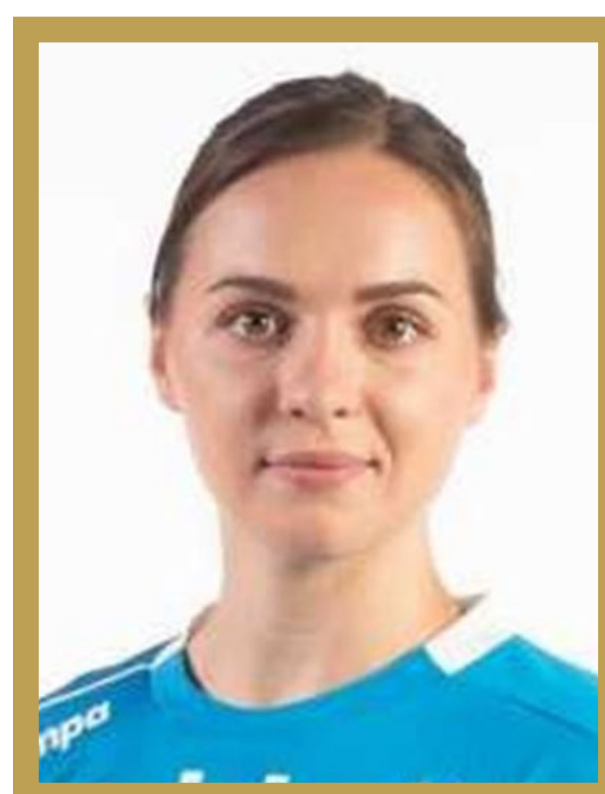
# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Jovanka  
Radicevic**

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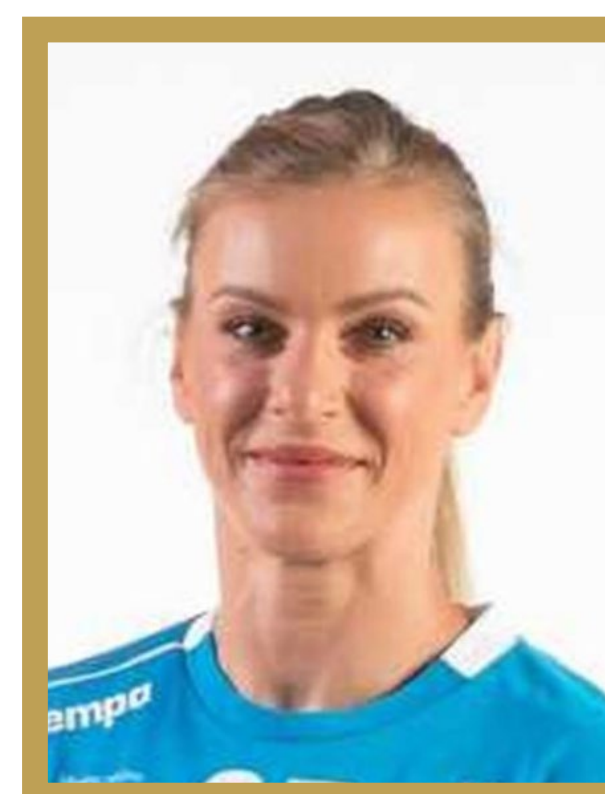
**91** GOALS 




**Daria  
Dmitrieva**

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**85** GOALS 



**Barbara  
Lazovic**

 @barbaralazovic

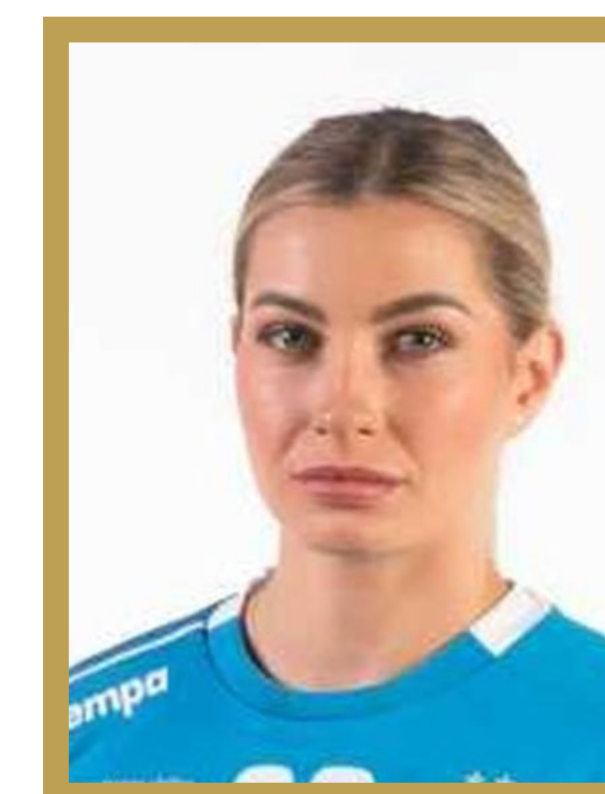
**53** GOALS 



**Tjaša  
Stanko**

 @tjasastanko

**46** GOALS 



**Aleksandra  
Rosiak**

 @a.rosiak66

**45** GOALS 





# FTC–RAIL CARGO HUNGARIA



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## PLAYING HALL



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Hungary

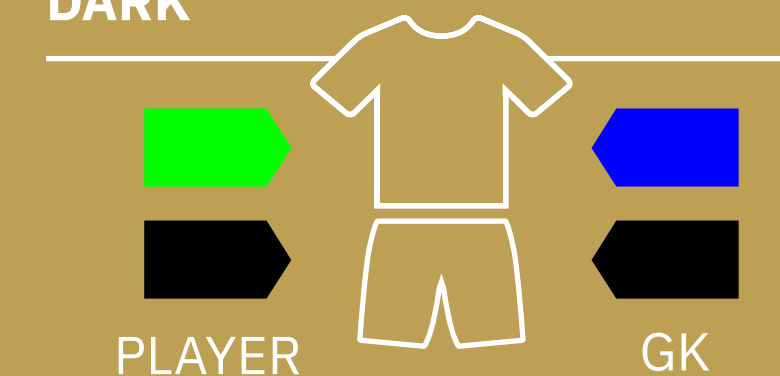
**Capacity:**  
**2,200**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



### DARK



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The 2022/23 season will be forever remembered in Ferencváros as the Hungarian vice-champions secured a spot at their first-ever EHF FINAL4 and won the silver medal after a tough battle against Vipers Kristiansand. On top of that, they won the Hungarian Cup against Győr. It was a great way to say farewell to their longtime head coach Gábor Elek who stepped away after 16 years at the club.

Now, with enthusiastic Martin Albertsen and Allan Heine leading the club with different approaches and ideas but almost the same squad, FTC want to build on high ambitions and give the club another opportunity to reach the top.

GROUP B



# FTC–RAIL CARGO HUNGARIA

## MAIN FACTS

- > FTC are entering their 24th season in the EHF Champions League Women; at their first-ever EHF FINAL4 they got their hands on their second silver medal
- > for the second year in a row, FTC won the Hungarian Cup, their fifth cup trophy since 2001
- > after leading the club for 15 seasons, Gábor Elek left the club and was replaced by Martin Albertsen and Allan Heine
- > the squad didn't go through a major makeover - only Jelena Despotović and Réka Bordás joined; Petra Simon returned back from loan while Zita Szucsánszki and Alicia Stolle are no longer at the club
- > Albertsen sees FTC as a mixture of two playing styles – Hungarian and Scandinavian

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 24

Runners-up (1): 2001/02, 2022/23

Semi-finals (2): 1996/97, 2000/01

Quarter-finals (7): 1999/2000, 2002/03, 2003/04, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19

Main Round (2): 2012/13, 2019/20, 2021/22

Group Matches/Champions League (6): 1994/95, 1995/96, 1997/98, 2006/07, 2007/08, 2013/14

Qualification (2): 2009/10, 2014/15

### **Other**

*Cup Winners' Cup*: Winners 2005/06; Semi-finals 2004/05

*Women's EHF Cup*: Winners 2010/11, 2011/12; Semi-finals: 2006/07, 2014/15

*Hungarian league*: 13 titles (1966, 1968, 1969, 1971, 1994-97, 2000, 2002, 2007, 2015, 2021)

*Hungarian cup*: 14 titles (1967, 1970, 1972, 1977, 1993-97, 2001, 2003, 2017, 2022, 2023)





## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
1994/95 Ferencvaros Budapest HUN	6	3	1	2	135:129		+6	7:5	3rd Gr. B
1995/96 Ferencvaros Budapest HUN	6	3	2	1	145:137		+8	8:4	2nd Gr. B
1996/97 Ferencvaros Budapest HUN	10	6	1	3	264:208		+56	13:7	Semi-final
1997/98 HERZ – FTC Budapest HUN	6	1	1	4	147:159		-12	3:9	3rd Gr. B
1999/00 HERZ – FTC Budapest HUN	8	4	0	4	204:201		+3	8:8	Quarter-final
2000/01 HERZ – FTC Budapest HUN	10	5	0	5	264:232		+32	10:10	Semi-final
2001/02 HERZ – FTC Budapest HUN	12	6	2	4	348:341		+7	14:10	Runner-up
2002/03 HERZ – FTC Budapest HUN	8	6	0	2	252:228		+24	12:4	Quarter-final
2003/04 FTC Budapest HUN	8	5	0	3	220:221		-1	10:6	Quarter-final
2006/07 FTC Budapest HUN	6	2	0	4	177:188		-11	4:8	3rd Gr. D
2007/08 Budapest Bank-FTC HUN	6	1	0	5	165:192		-27	2:10	4th Gr. D
2012/13 FTC Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	12	8	0	4	346:336		+10	16:8	3rd MR Gr. 2
2013/14 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	6	3	0	3	162:161		+1	6:6	3rd Gr. B
2015/16 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	14	7	2	5	378:383		-5	16:12	Quarter-final
2016/17 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	14	8	2	4	397:361		+36	18:10	Quarter-final
2017/18 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	14	8	0	6	400:382		+18	16:12	Quarter-final
2018/19 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	14	7	2	5	407:423		-16	16:12	Quarter-final
2019/20 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	12	4	1	7	334:348		-14	9:15	6th MR Gr. 1
2020/21 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	16	9	0	7	434:428		+6	18:14	Play-offs
2021/22 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	16	9	3	4	430:427		+3	21:11	Play-offs
2022/23 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	20	11	1	8	575:535		+40	23:17	Runner-up
<b>Total:</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>6184:6020</b>		<b>+164</b>	<b>250:198</b>	



**EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS**

<b>5</b>	<b>MATCHES</b> Longest winning run
<b>8</b>	<b>MATCHES</b> Longest unbeaten run
<b>46</b>	<b>GOALS</b> Most goals

<b>Biggest win</b>	42:16 (19:7) v Anagennisi Artas GRE (h), 18.01.1997
<b>Biggest defeat</b>	40:20 (18:9) v SG BBM Bietigheim GER (a), 18.09.2022
<b>Longest winning run</b>	5 matches (14.10.2012 – 11.11.2012) 5 matches (20.11.2016 – 25.02.2017)
<b>Longest unbeaten run</b>	8 matches (09.11.2013 – 22.11.2015) 8 matches (13.03.2021 – 13.11.2021)
<b>Longest losing run</b>	4 matches (12.01.2007 – 17.02.2007) 4 matches (27.10.2007 – 16.11.2007) 4 matches (02.03.2013 – 06.10.2013) 4 matches (11.03.2017 – 06.10.2017) 4 matches (11.03.2018 – 05.10.2018) 4 matches (07.04.2019 – 13.10.2019)
<b>Longest run without win</b>	5 matches (04.01.1998 – 31.10.1999) 5 matches (05.03.2017 – 06.10.2017)
<b>Most goals</b>	46 v DHK Banik Most CZE 27:46W (a), 22.10.2022
<b>Most goals opponent</b>	40 v Györi Audi ETO KC HUN 40:23L (a), 09.04.2016 40 v SG BBM Bietigheim GER 40:20L (a), 18.09.2022
<b>Most goals both teams</b>	73 v DHK Banik Most CZE 27:46W (a), 22.10.2022
<b>Fewest goals</b>	17 v Volgograd AKVA RUS 22:17L (a), 03.03.2001
<b>Fewest goals opponent</b>	16 v Anagennisi Artas GRE 42:16W (h), 18.01.1997 16 v TUS Walle Bremen GER 27:16W (h), 25.01.1997 16 v HC Podravka Vegeta CRO 28:16W (h), 18.10.2015
<b>Fewest goals both teams</b>	36 v Hypo Niederösterreich AUT 18:18D (h), 31.03.1996



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
2	Laura	Szabó	HUN	Field Player	25/07/2005	Gyömro, HUN	167
3	Beatrice	Edwige	FRA	Line Player	03/10/1988	Paris, FRA	182
13	Kinga	Janurik	HUN	Goalkeeper	06/11/1991	Budapest, HUN	176
14	Anett	Kisfaludy	HUN	Line Player	31/08/1990	Kapuvár	181
15	Júlia	Hársfalvi	HUN	Left Wing	12/11/1996	Zalaegerszeg, HUN	168
<b>16</b>	<b>Blanka</b>	<b>Böde-Bíró C</b>	<b>HUN</b>	<b>Goalkeeper</b>	<b>22/09/1994</b>	<b>Vac, HUN</b>	<b>187</b>
18	Anett	Kovács	HUN	Right Wing	12/11/1994	Mezotúr, HUN	168
20	Emily	Bölk	GER	Left Back	26/04/1998	Buxtehude, GER	182
21	Gréta	Márton	HUN	Left Wing	03/10/1999	Mohács, HUN	172
23	Zsuzsanna	Tomori	HUN	Left Back	18/06/1987	Budapest, HUN	187
24	Dorka	Papp	HUN	Right Wing	26/07/2006	Budapest, HUN	165
26	Angela	Malestein	NED	Right Wing	31/01/1993	Baam, NED	173
27	Anna	Kukely	HUN	Centre Back	27/05/2003	Békéscsaba	174
38	Petra Anna	Simon	HUN	Centre Back	12/11/2004	Budapest, HUN	168
42	Katrin	Klujber	HUN	Right Back	21/04/1999	Budapest, HUN	169
50	Luca	Kármán	HUN	Left Back	18/07/2004	Budapest, HUN	189
58	Réka	Bordás	HUN	Line Player	26/08/1997	Karcag, HUN	184
72	Dragana	Cvijic	SRB	Line Player	15/03/1990	Belgrade, SRB	183
77	Andrea	Lekic	SRB	Centre Back	06/09/1987	Belgrade, SRB	178
80	Jelena	Despotovic	MNE	Right Back	30/04/1994	Podgorica, MNE	180
84	Virág	Mészáros	HUN	Goalkeeper	19/10/2005	Budapest, HUN	181
86	Fanni	Török	HUN	Field Player	08/10/2005	Budapest, HUN	168
88	Fanni	Horváth	HUN	Field Player	29/10/2005	Vác, HUN	174
90	Szandra	Szöllosi-Zácsik	HUN	Left Back	22/04/1990	Budapest, HUN	185
91	Anikó	Cirjenics-Kovacsics	HUN	Centre Back	29/08/1991	Nagyatád, HUN	170
94	Anna	Tóth	HUN	Field Player	06/03/2004		173
95	Aida	Szabó	HUN	Field Player	26/06/2005	Miskolc, HUN	173







COACH



**Martin Albertsen**



- > left Switzerland national team after five years to take over FTC alongside his assistant coach Allan Heine in 2023
- > started his coaching career at the age of 25 after he had to stop playing due to a severe knee injury
- > steered Viborg to win the Danish league, Danish Cup and the EHF Cup in 2003/04
- > subsequently coached Leipzig, Randers, Copenhagen and Bietgheim
- > became head of Switzerland's youth academy in 2020 and also coached Switzerland's junior national team from 2022 to 2023
- > cousin of legendary two-time Olympic champion Katrine Frøelund

**EHF Cup 2004**

DEPARTURES

- Zita Szucsánszki > (Esztergomi KS/retired)
- Alicia Stolle > (Borussia Dortmund, GER)

ARRIVALS

- Jelena Despotovic < (Györi Audi ETO KC)
- Réka Bordás < (DVSC-Schaeffler)
- Petra Simon < (MTK Budapest, return from loan)





GOALKEEPER 

**Blanka Böde-Bíró**


 @biroblanka




LEFT WING 


**Gréta Márton**

 @gretamarton



LEFT BACK 

**Emily Bölk**

 @emily\_boelk



CENTRE BACK 

**Andrea Lekić**

 @lekicandrea

- > born and raised in Vác, where she played for eight years
- > played internationally in the EHF Cup and the Cup Winners' Cup, and was first called up for the national team at age 18 - for the home EHF EURO 2014
- > the 1.86-m tall goalkeeper is a regular choice for the national team
- > won silver with Hungary at the Women's 19 EURO in 2013

- > Hungarian international, who scored a personal best 51 goals in CL 2021/22 season
- > 2022/23 is her eighth straight CL season with FTC, after making her debut in 2015/16
- > was key member of the Hungarian team that won the 2019 Junior WCh; has been a regular in Hungarian national team since her debut in 2017

- > German international, who joined FTC in 2020 from Thüringer HC
- > was FTC's second-best scorer in CL 2021/22 season, with 72 goals; finished the 2022/23 season with 92 goals
- > visited Viborg youth academy at age 14, made Bundesliga debut with Buxtehuder SV at 16, and played two seasons for THC before moving to FTC
- > became the youngest German international to pass the 100-goal mark
- > mother Andrea was also a national team player in Germany

- > Serbian international, who arrived at FTC in the summer of 2022 from Krim
- > previously also played CL with Buducnost, Vardar, CSM Bucuresti, and Győr
- > won the CL with Győr in 2012/13, finished runners-up four times, and finished third three times
- > in 2013, she won WCh silver with Serbia and was named World Player of the Year
- > EURO 2012 All-Star Team centre back, IHF World Player of the Year 2013

CL 2013 WCh: S 2013



LINE PLAYER 

**Beatrice Edwige**

 @edwige\_beatrice

- > French international, who joined FTC from Rostov in February 2022
- > back on court after a knee injury she suffered in November 2022
- > born in Paris, moved to Mana in French Guiana, but returned to France at age 11
- > nicknamed Bea, she left France after 15 seasons spent at Cercle Dijon, OGC Nice and Metz Handball in the summer of 2019 to join Győr
- > in 2021, joined her friend Grace Zaadi at Rostov following two seasons at Győr
- > first Guianese player to take part in Olympics, best defender at EHF EURO 2016

OG: G 2020, S 2016; EURO: G 2018, S 2020, B 2016;  
WCh: G 2017



LINE PLAYER 

**Dragana Cvijic**

 @dragana\_cvijic

- > two-time CL winner, who arrived at FTC after playing for Krim and CSKA in 2021/22
- > had joined Buducnost in 2011 and won the CL in her first season with the club; lifted the CL trophy another time (2015) during her six-year stint in Podgorica
- > also played CL for Vardar (2017/18) and CSM Bucuresti (2018-21)
- > Serbian international, part of the team that won silver at their home WCh in 2013

WCh: S 2013



RIGHT BACK 

**Katrin Klujber**

 @keti\_klujber

- > Hungarian international, scoring 100 times in CL 2022/23 before the quarter-finals and ending the season with 114 goals
- > has been a prolific scorer for FTC since her CL debut in 2018/19, netting 54, 84, 68, and 62 times respectively in her first four CL seasons
- > debuted in Hungarian league at age 16; won EHF Cup with Dunaújváros in 2016

EHF Cup 2016



RIGHT WING 

**Angela Malestein**

 @angelamalestein

- > Dutch international, arrived in Budapest in summer of 2020 from Bietigheim
- > leading goal scorer for FTC in CL 2021/22 season, with 81 goals
- > first played in Dutch national team at age 16 and has been part of all the recent successes of the team, including winning the world title in 2019
- > named Player of the Year at the EHF Excellence Awards 2023

EURO: S 2016, B 2018, WCh: B 2017, G 2019





# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Katrin  
Klujber**

@keti\_klujber

**114 GOALS**



**Emily  
Bölk**

@emily\_boelk

**93 GOALS**



**Angela  
Malestein**

@angelamalestein

**92 GOALS**



**Andrea  
Lekic**

@lekicandrea

**55 GOALS**



**Gréta  
Márton**

@gretamarton

**42 GOALS**





# TEAM ESBJERG

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Denmark

## PLAYING HALL

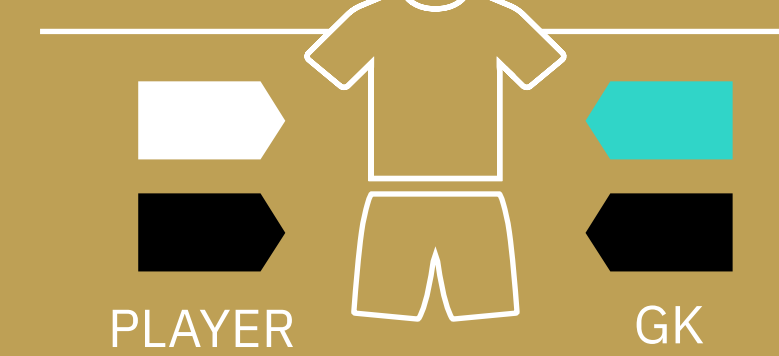


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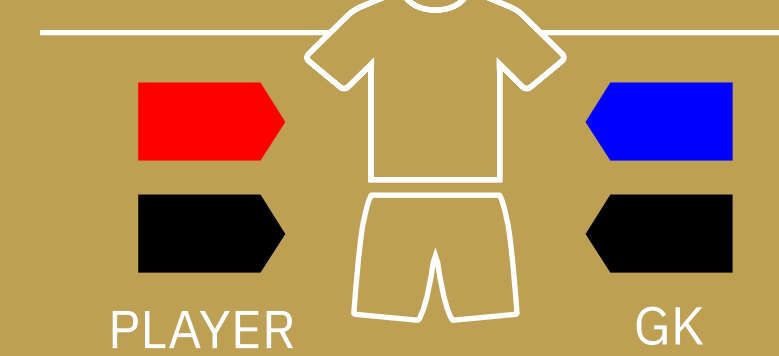
**Capacity:**  
**3,579**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



### DARK



Team Esbjerg claimed their fourth domestic title and are coming into the EHF Champions League Women 2023/24 season again as one of the main contenders due to an additional boost. Even though the club's main objective is the quarter-finals, Jesper Jensen's team will try to secure their third EHF FINAL4 appearance.

The Danish side lost both games at the EHF FINAL4 2023 by only one goal, placing them fourth after an exciting season. Once again, Esbjerg have not undergone major changes in the squad, welcoming only Rikke Iversen from Odense after they parted ways with four players.

**GROUP B**

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## TEAM ESBJERG

### MAIN FACTS

- > the 2022/23 season marked their second EHF FINAL4 appearance and their second-straight fourth place at the season's marquee event
- > centre back Henny Reistad was the 2022/23 CL top scorer with 142 goals scored at a 68.9% efficiency
- > head coach Jesper Jensen is heading into his seventh year with Esbjerg
- > Beyza Irem Türkoğlu Şengül, Dinah Eckerle and Vilde Mortensen Ingstad (CSM Bucuresti) left the Danish club with Rikke Iversen replacing Ingstad at the line player position
- > Esbjerg were defeated on their home court only once in the nine games of the 2022/23 CL season

### PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

#### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 7

Semi-finals (2): 2021/22, 2022/23

Quarter-finals (1): 2019/20\*

Play-offs (1): 2020/21

Main Round (1): 2016/17

Qualification (1): 2015/16

\* 2019/20 season not played to a finish due to Covid-19 pandemic

#### **Other**

*EHF Cup*: Final: 2013/14, 2018/19; Quarter-finals: 2010/11, 2014/15

*Cup Winners' Cup*: Last 16 2012/13

*Danish league*: 4 titles (2016, 2019, 2020, 2023)

*Danish cup*: 3 titles (2018, 2022, 2023)



## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
2016/17 Team Esbjerg DEN	12	4	0	8	305:333		-28	8:16	6th MR Gr. 2
2019/20 Team Esbjerg DEN	12	8	1	3	352:323		+29	17:7	Quarter-final*
2020/21 Team Esbjerg DEN	16	5	2	9	428:414		+14	12:20	Play-offs
2021/22 Team Esbjerg DEN	18	11	4	3	518:462		+56	26:10	Fourth Place
2022/23 Team Esbjerg DEN	20	14	0	6	631:533		+98	28:12	Fourth Place
<b>Total:</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>2234:2065</b>		<b>+169</b>	<b>91:65</b>	

\* Quarter-finals and EHF FINAL4 cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.





## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

8	MATCHES Longest winning run
14	MATCHES Longest unbeaten run
43	GOALS Most goals

<b>Biggest win</b>	27:43 (12:25) v Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK (a), 23.10.2022
<b>Biggest defeat</b>	38:26 (17:19) v FC Midtjylland DEN (a), 29.01.2017
<b>Longest winning run</b>	8 matches (23.10.2021 – 05.02.2022)
<b>Longest unbeaten run</b>	14 matches (26.09.2021 – 08.05.2022)
<b>Longest losing run</b>	4 matches (24.10.2020 – 22.11.2020)
<b>Longest run without win</b>	8 matches (20.09.2020 – 09.01.2021)
<b>Most goals</b>	43 v Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK 27:43W (a), 23.10.2022
<b>Most goals opponent</b>	38 v FC Midtjylland DEN 38:26L (a), 29.01.2017
<b>Most goals both teams</b>	70 v Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK 27:43W (a), 23.10.2022 70 v Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK 39:31W (h), 17.12.2022
<b>Fewest goals</b>	20 v CSM Bucuresti ROU 20:25L (h), 12.03.2017
<b>Fewest goals opponent</b>	17 v HC Podravka Vegeta CRO 30:17W (h), 29.01.2022
<b>Fewest goals both teams</b>	43 v FC Midtjylland DEN 22:21W (h), 26.02.2017 43 v CSM Bucuresti ROU 22:21W (h), 12.09.2021 43 v Rostov-Don RUS 25:18W (h), 31.10.2021



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
2	Camilla	Graakjær Thorhauge	DEN	Line Player	30/08/2004		
3	Kaja Kamp	Nielsen	DEN	Line Player	29/04/1994	Rebild, DEN	172
4	Michala	Elsberg Møller	DEN	Left Back	16/02/2000	Aalborg, DEN	178
5	Caroline	Gade	DEN	Right Wing	11/07/2004	Esbjerg, DEN	169
9	Nora	Mørk	NOR	Right Back	05/04/1991	Oslo, NOR	167
<b>10</b>	<b>Kathrine</b>	<b>Heindahl</b> <b>C</b>	<b>DEN</b>	<b>Line Player</b>	<b>26/03/1992</b>	<b>Rudersdal, DEN</b>	<b>185</b>
11	Rikke	Iversen	DEN	Line Player	18/05/1993	København, DEN	178
12	Anna	Opstrup Kristensen	DEN	Goalkeeper	25/10/2000	Skanderborg, DEN	184
14	Kristine	Breistøl	NOR	Left Back	23/08/1993	Oslo, NOR	193
15	Stine	Lund	DEN	Goalkeeper	08/05/2003	Esbjerg, DEN	179
16	Amalie	Milling	DEN	Goalkeeper	27/12/1999	Hørsholm, DEN	186
18	Mette	Tranborg	DEN	Right Back	01/01/1996	Aarhus, DEN	192
20	Marit Røsberg	Jacobsen	NOR	Right Wing	25/02/1994	Narvik, NOR	165
21	Sara	Winde	DEN	Goalkeeper	21/01/2005	Esbjerg, DEN	174
24	Sanna	Solberg-Isaksen	NOR	Left Wing	16/06/1990	Bærum, NOR	178
25	Henny	Reistad	NOR	Centre Back	09/02/1999	Bærum, NOR	181
27	Anne	Tolstrup Petersen	DEN	Right Wing	07/03/1995	Aarhus, DEN	173
33	Julie Bøe	Jacobsen	NOR	Centre Back	23/06/1998	Lørenskog, NOR	168







## COACH



**Jesper  
Jensen**



- > former Danish international, who became head coach of Esbjerg in 2017 after stints with the women's team of KIF Vejle and the men's team of Aalborg Håndbold
- > led Esbjerg to consecutive Danish league titles in 2019 and 2020, and steered the team to the EHF FINAL4 in 2022  
head coach of the Danish national team since 2020; has won bronze at 2021 WCh and silver at EHF EURO 2022
- > as a centre back, he scored 238 times in 100 games for Denmark, was part of the team that won the EHF EURO 2008

**EURO: G 2008, B 2006 (player), S 2022 (coach); WCh: B 2007 (player), B 2021 (coach)**

## DEPARTURES

- |                       |                        |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Rikke Poulsen         | > retired              |
| Beyza Türkoğlu Şengül | > (Konyaalti BKH, TUR) |
| Dinah Eckerle         | > (Thüringer HC, GER)  |
| Vilde Ingstad         | > (CSM Bucuresti, ROU) |

## ARRIVALS

- |               |                          |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| Rikke Iversen | < (Odense Håndbold, DEN) |
|---------------|--------------------------|



GOALKEEPER 

**Anna  
Opstrup Kristensen**

 @annaopstrupkristensen

- > Danish international, who arrived at Esbjerg in January 2023 from Viborg HK
- > excelled in Esbjerg's CL play-off tie against Brest with 18 and 11 saves, respectively
- > made national team debut for Denmark in March 2019 and was part of the team that won bronze at the 2021 WCh and silver at the EHF EURO 2022
- > studies health technology at university of Aarhus

EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2021



LEFT WING 

**Sanna  
Solberg-Isaksen**

 @sannasolberg

- > joined in the summer of 2017 from Norwegian side Larvik HK
- > regular in the Norwegian national team, like twin sister Silje Solberg, who plays as a goalkeeper for Győr
- > has won eight medals at major championships with Norway since 2014
- > came back to the court only a few months, after giving birth to her daughter, Mathea, in January 2023

OG: B 2016, 2020; WCh: G 2015, S 2017; EURO: G 2014, 2016, 2020



LEFT BACK 

**Kristine  
Breistøl**

 @kristinebrei

- > Norwegian international, who joined Esbjerg from Larvik HK in the summer of 2018
- > grown into a key asset for the team after spending much time in the shadow of Estavana Polman until the Dutch star left the club in 2022
- > scored a personal best total of 83 goals in the CL 2021/22 season, when Esbjerg reached the EHF FINAL4 for the first time
- > best known as a long-range shooter, well capable of firing in goals from 10 m
- > leaves Esbjerg at the end of the season to join Győr on a two-year contract

EURO: G 2020, 2022; OG: B 2020; WCh: G 2021



CENTRE BACK 

**Henny  
Reistad**

 @hennyreistad

- > Norwegian international, arrived at Esbjerg in 2021 after three seasons with Vipers
- > has scored a stunning 121 goals in the CL 2022/23 season even before the quarterfinals; was one of three players to pass the 100-goal mark also in 2021/22
- > named MVP of EHF FINAL4 2021 after scoring 25 goals to help Vipers win first CL title
- > also named MVP of EHF EURO 2022, where she led Norway to gold

EC trophies: CL 2021  
OG: B 2020; EURO: G 2020, 2022; WCh: G 2021





LINE PLAYER 

**Kathrine Heindahl**

 @heindahl



LINE PLAYER 

**Rikke Iversen**

 @rikkeiversen93



RIGHT BACK 

**Nora Mørk**

 @noramrk\_9



RIGHT WING 

**Marit Røsberg Jacobsen**

 @maritrj

- > Danish international, who joined Esbjerg in 2022 after two seasons at CSKA in Russia
- > previously played in Denmark for GOG, Holstebro, Randers, and Odense twice
- > initially started handball career as a centre back, but transitioned to a line player
- > has a bachelor's degree in business economics from Aarhus University; has built a clothing company, selling products through an online shop
- > best defender of the EHF EURO 2022

- > signed for Odense in 2020 after spending six years at Silkeborg-Voel
- > was among Odense's best scorers in CL 2021/22 season, with 45 goals
- > secured the gold medal with Denmark at the Youth Olympic Games in 2010; her first major championship was the EHF EURO 2020, won WCh bronze the next year
- > her sister Sarah plays for Ikast Håndbold, in the same position of line player

- > legend of the game, who joined Esbjerg from Vipers in the summer of 2022
- > one of only four female players to have won the CL six times – alongside Katrine Lunde, Ausra Fridrikas and Bojana Popovic – since lifting the trophy with Vipers in 2022
- > despite many knee injuries, is part of all-time top 10 of CL scorers with over 800 goals
- > has more than 100 caps for Norway and won every major event, except Olympics

- > Norwegian international, arrived from Byåsen in 2018 for her first foreign club
- > named in All-star Team of the Danish league in her first three seasons with Esbjerg
- > part of Norwegian national team since 2016; was named All-star right wing of 2012 Youth WCh in Montenegro, where Norway won the bronze medal
- > enrolled in master's degree in Sports and Health at University of Southern Denmark

EC trophies: EHF Cup 2013

EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2021

EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2021

OG: G 2021, EURO: S 2020

OG: B 2020; WCh: G 2021, S 2017; EURO: G 2020





# LAST SEASON'S TOP SCORER



**Henny  
Reistad**

@hennyreistad

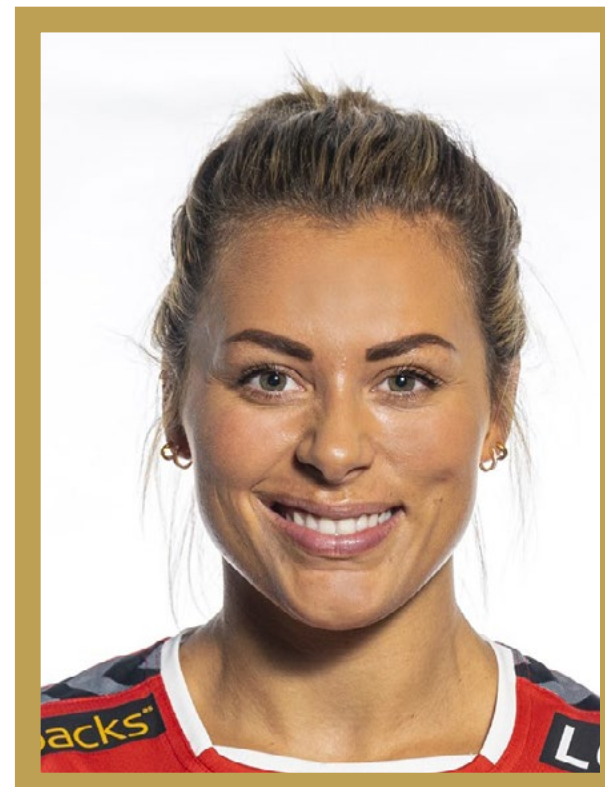
**142 GOALS**



**Vilde  
Ingstad**

@vilde.ingstad

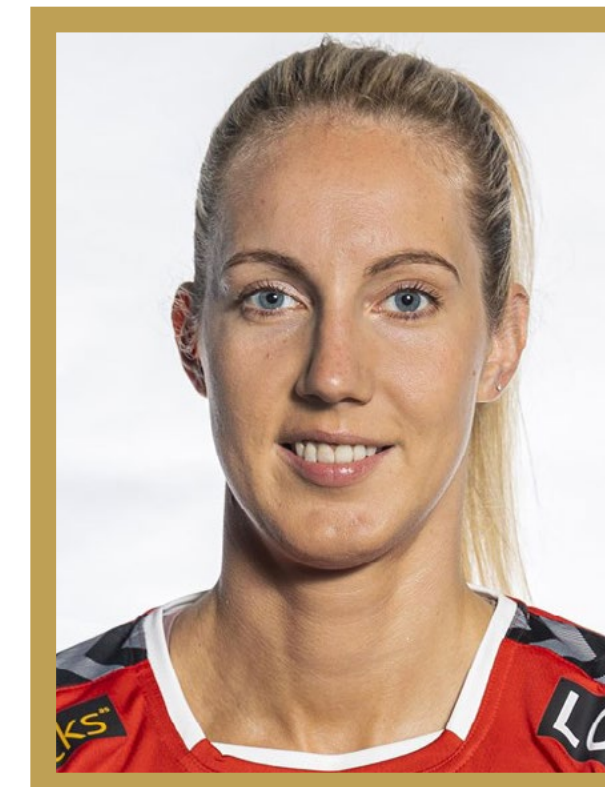
**78 GOALS**



**Nora  
Mørk**

@noramrk\_9

**77 GOALS**



**Kristine  
Breistøl**

@kristinebrei

**72 GOALS**



**Mette  
Tranborg**

@mettetrانborg

**50 GOALS**







# KGHM MKS ZAGŁĘBIE LUBIN

## CLUB ADDRESS

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## PLAYING HALL



**Hala Widowiskowo Sportowa  
RCS Lubin**  
**ul. Odrodzenia 28 B**  
**59-300 Lubin**  
**Poland**  
**Capacity:**  
**3,700**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



### DARK



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[https://twitter.com/MKS\\_ZL](https://twitter.com/MKS_ZL)

[https://www.instagram.com/zaglebie\\_lubin/](https://www.instagram.com/zaglebie_lubin/)

For the first time in the club's history, Zagłębie Lubin will play in the EHF Champions League Women group phase. The Polish champions are seen as the underdogs of Group B, but they will give their best to keep up, gather valuable experience and maybe even surprise some onlookers.

Lubin had their ups and downs in the European Cup competitions, and after their golden day in the late 1990s and the beginning of the 2000s, they did not have a proper shot at it. Now, relying on an almost entirely domestic squad, Bożena Karkut's team is looking forward to the great chance they have been given.

GROUP B



# KGHM MKS ZAGŁĘBIE LUBIN

## MAIN FACTS

- > the club's biggest European success were the semi-finals of the former EHF Cup (2001) and Cup Winners' Cup (2002)
- > the team only have four foreign players coming from three different countries - Slovakia, Brazil and Serbia
- > two-time CL winner with Hypo Niederösterreich Božena Karkut took over the helm in 2000
- > the club had only five signings during the summer - Aleksandra Zych, Karolina Jureńczyk, Daria Przywara, Marta Lewalska and Simona Szarková
- > their biggest transfer is Aleksandra Zych who returned back to Poland after five years; the right back previously played for Metz Handball, CS Măgura Cisnădie and Baia Mare

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 2  
Qualification (1): 2011/12

### **Other**

*EHF Cup*: semi-finals 2000/01  
*Cup Winners' Cup*: semi-finals 2001/02

*Polish league*: 4 titles (2011, 2021, 2022, 2023)

*Polish cup*: 8 titles (2009, 2011, 2013, 2017, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2023)





### EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
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N/A



**EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS**

0

**MATCHES**  
Longest  
winning run

0

**MATCHES**  
Longest  
unbeaten run

0

**GOALS**  
Most goals

**Biggest win** N/A

**Biggest defeat** N/A

**Longest winning run** N/A

**Longest unbeaten run** N/A

**Longest losing run** N/A

**Longest run without win** N/A

**Most goals** N/A

**Most goals opponent** N/A

**Most goals both teams** N/A

**Fewest goals** N/A

**Fewest goals opponent** N/A

**Fewest goals both teams** N/A



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
3	Kinga	Jakubowska	POL	Right Back	23/06/1999	Wroclaw, POL	174
4	Aneta	Promis	POL	Right Wing	07/01/1995	Zary, POL	160
6	Natalia	Pankowska	POL	Line Player	11/03/2002	Brodnica, POL	178
10	Kinga	Grzyb	POL	Left Wing	12/01/1982	Elblag, POL	169
14	Daria	Przywara	POL	Centre Back	28/07/2001	Gdansk, POL	170
16	Barbara	Zima	POL	Goalkeeper	14/01/2000	Warszawa, POL	189
17	Adrianna	Górna	POL	Right Wing	22/03/1996	Kwidzyn, POL	171
18	Aleksandra	Zych	POL	Right Back	28/07/1993	Walbrzych, POL	182
<b>20</b>	<b>Joanna</b>	<b>Drabik</b> <b>C</b>	<b>POL</b>	<b>Line Player</b>	<b>28/10/1993</b>	<b>Włoszczowa, POL</b>	180
21	Simona	Szarková	SVK	Left Back	02/01/1992	Nové Zámky, SVK	174
37	Marta	Lewalska	POL	Goalkeeper	29/07/2004	Kwidzyn, POL	170
40	Daria	Michalak	POL	Left Wing	12/12/1995	Szczecin, POL	171
42	Karin	Bujnohova	SVK	Centre Back	01/11/1994	Ilava, SVK	175
47	Karolina	Kochaniak-Sala	POL	Left Back	05/07/1995	Szczecin, POL	175
49	Patricia	Machado Matielli	BRA	Centre Back	08/11/1988	Sao Paulo, BRA	168
81	Karolina	Jurenczyk	POL	Left Back	30/06/2002	Piotrków Trybunalski, POL	182
92	Jovana	Milojevic	SRB	Line Player	24/07/1992	Sremska Mitrovica, SRB	176
99	Monika	Maliczkiwicz	POL	Goalkeeper	15/04/1988	Wroclaw, POL	178







## COACH



**Bożena  
Karkut**



- > former Polish international wing player
- > took over as Lubin head coach in November 2000 after being an assistant for two months
- > won the Polish league title in 2011 and 2021 and reached the EHF Cup semi-finals in 2001
- > won the CL as a player in 1998 and 2000 with Hypo Niederösterreich
- > won the Polish league title in 2011, 2021, 2022 and 2023

**CL: 1998, 2000**

## DEPARTURES

Viktoriia Belmas  
Wiktorina Kocinska  
Monika Waz  
Emilia Galinska  
Jana Sustkova

## ARRIVALS

Karolina Jureńczyk  
Simona Szarkova  
Daria Przywara  
Marta Lewalska





GOALKEEPER 

**Monika Malicziewicz**

 @mmaliczkiewicz



LEFT WING 

**Daria Michalak**



LEFT BACK 

**Karolina Kochaniak-Sala**

 @karolina441



LEFT BACK 

**Karolina Jureńczyk**

 @karolina.jurenczyk

- > experienced goalkeeper who was born in Wrocław in 1988
- > played most of her career for Lubin, but spent a year in France playing for Nîmes
- > won the Polish league title with Lubin in 2010/11 and 2020/21
- > named as the best player and best goalkeeper in the Polish league in 2020/21
- > named best goalkeeper of the 2022/23 season in Polish League

- > arrived in Zagłębie Lubin in 2019 from Pogon Szczecin
- > with Pogon Szczecin she was a runner-up in EHF Challenge Cup in the 2014/15 and 2018/19 season
- > was part of Poland's youth national teams, had her debut for the senior team in 2016

- > started her handball professional career in SPR Pogon Szczecin where she spent five years
- > had a one-year stint with MKS FunFloor Lublin before joining Lubin in 2020
- > since 2018 she is part of the Poland's national team
- > named MVP and best left back of the 2022/23 season in Polish League

- > came to Lubin in 2023 from Piotrcovii Piotrków Trybunalski
- > a left-handed player is one of the prospects of Polish handball and impresses with her physical conditions and strong long-range shots
- > also played for SMS ZPRP Płock
- > was elected for the best choice of the 2022/23 season in Poland

EC trophies: EHF Cup 2013



CENTRE BACK 

**Patricia Machado Matielli**

 @patymatielli



LINE PLAYER 

**Jovana Milojevic**

 @jovana.92



RIGHT BACK 

**Aleksandra Zych**

 @alexzych18



RIGHT WING 

**Adrianna Górna**

 @adrianna\_gorna

- > Brazilian centre back who has played more than 50 times for her country
- > played for São Bernardo do Campo but moved to Poland in 2015 to play for Vistal Gdynia
- > subsequently joined Lubin from Gdynia in 2018
- > named as the best centre back in the Polish league in 2019/20 and 2020/21
- > named best centre back of the 2022/23 season in Polish League

- > started her career in Loznica in 2010, played for Medicinar and Crvena Zvezda in Serbia
- > came to Lubin in 2014; it was her first international club
- > debuted for Serbia national team at the EHF EURO 2020
- > one of the most experienced players in the team

- > came back to Poland after five years abroad to join Lubin on a one-year-contract
- > spent six seasons at Polish side Vistal Gdynia before playing for four clubs in four years: Metz, Dortmund, Magura Ciszadzie and Minaur Baia Mare
- > has won the championship in Poland, France and Germany
- > played at the EHF EURO in 2014, 2018 and 2020 and at the WCh in 2015 and 2017
- > due to the city where she was born not having a handball team, she used to travel by train daily to a neighbouring city when she started playing

- > started her youth career in Kwidzyn; played for Kościerzyna and Gdansk at senior level
- > joined Lubin in 2017 and played her first European season in the EHF Cup in 2017/18
- > played for Poland's youth national team; debuted for the senior national team in 2017
- > second best scorer in the Polish league in 2020/21, with 141 goals
- > fifth best scorer in the Polish league in 2022/23, with 132 goals





# IKAST HÅNDBOLD

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## PLAYING HALL

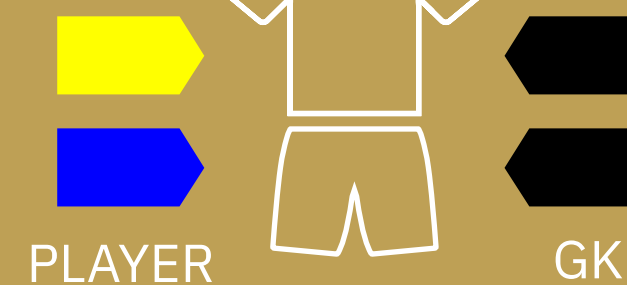


**IBF Arena**  
**Stadion Allé 2b**  
**7430 Ikast**  
**Denmark**

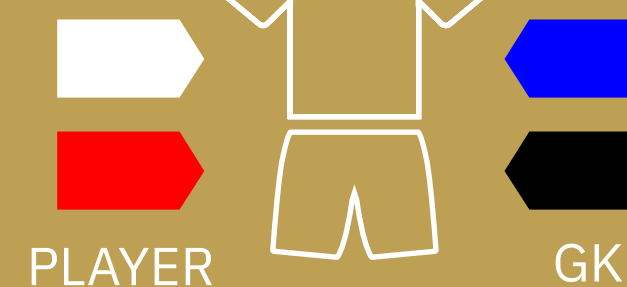
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**2,250**

## KIT COLOURS

### LIGHT



### DARK



After five years of playing in the second-tier competition, Ikast Håndbold is back in the EHF Champions League Women as the EHF European League Women champions. The third Danish side of the competition had years to remember in the EHF European League Women, reaching the finals three times in a row and proving the third time's the charm.

Kasper Chistensen's team have an 11-match winning streak in European cup competitions and are eager to show their qualities among the powerhouses. Boosted by the arrival of Markéta Jeřábková, the CL's second-top scorer last season, and Thüringer's goalkeeper Irma Schjött, Ikast have their eyes set on progressing past the group phase.

**GROUP B**



# IKAST HÅNDBOLD

## MAIN FACTS

- > since their first appearance in the 1994/95 season, Ikast won five different European cup competitions: EHF Champions Trophy (1998), Challenge Cup (1998), Cup Winners' Cup (2004, 2015), EHF Cup (2002, 2011) and EHF European League Women (2023)
- > for two years in a row, Ikast arrived at the EHF Finals as the only unbeaten team
- > one of the best goalkeepers of the EHF European League Women, Jessica Ryde left the club but was replaced by Irma Schjött
- > the club's biggest signing of the summer is centre back Markéta Jeřábková who came from three-time champions Vipers Kristiansand
- > the last time Ikast played in the CL was in the 2017/18 season when they reached the quarter-finals, but eventually lost to Vardar

## PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

### **EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2023/24 season): 12

Semi-finals (2): 2002/03, 2013/14

Quarter-finals (4): 1998/99, 2004/05, 2016/17, 2017/18

Main Round (3): 2008/09, 2011/12, 2015/16

Group Matches (1): 2003/04

Qualification (1): 2014/15

### **Other**

*EHF European League: Winners 2022/23, semi-finals 2020/21, 2021/22*

*Cup Winners' Cup: Winners 2003/04, 2014/15*

*EHF Cup: Winners 2001/02, 2010/11*

*Champions Trophy: Winners 1997/98*

*City Cup: Winners 1997/98*

*Danish league: 1 title as FC Midtjylland (2015)*

*Danish cup: 1 title (2019)*





## EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SUMMARY

	MP	W	T	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Stage
1998/99 Ikast FS DEN	8	4	2	2	198:173		+25	10:6	Quarter-final
2002/03 Ikast Bording EH DEN	10	5	0	5	266:266		0	10:10	Semi-final
2003/04 Ikast Bording EH DEN	6	3	0	3	162:159		+3	6:6	3rd Gr. B
2004/05 Ikast Bording EH DEN	8	5	1	2	233:226		+7	11:5	Quarter-final
2008/09 Ikast-Brandeburg EH DEN	12	3	1	8	325:367		-42	7:17	4th MR Gr. 1
2011/12 FC Midtjylland DEN	12	6	0	6	290:283		+7	12:12	4th MR Gr. 1
2013/14 FC Midtjylland DEN	14	8	1	5	365:349		+16	17:11	Fourth Place
2015/16 FC Midtjylland DEN	12	4	1	7	286:309		-23	9:15	5th MR Gr. 2
2016/17 FC Midtjylland DEN	14	6	0	8	345:344		+1	12:16	Quarter-final
2017/18 FC Midtjylland DEN	14	4	2	8	324:352		-28	10:18	Quarter-final
<b>Total:</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>2794:2828</b>		<b>-34</b>	<b>104:116</b>	



EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE  
CLUB RECORDS

**5** MATCHES  
Longest  
winning run

**6** MATCHES  
Longest  
unbeaten run

**38** GOALS  
Most goals

**Biggest win** 34:18 (16:10) v Motor Zaporoshje UKR (h), 14.11.1998

**Biggest defeat** 24:38 (14:19) v Viborg HK DEN (h), 07.02.2009

**Longest winning run** 5 matches (22.02.2004 – 30.01.2005)

**Longest unbeaten run** 6 matches (22.02.2004 – 12.02.2005)

**Longest losing run** 7 matches (18.01.2009 – 21.03.2009)

**Longest run without win** 9 matches (03.01.2009 – 21.03.2009)

**Most goals** 38 v Team Esbjerg DEN 38:26W (h), 29.01.2017

**Most goals opponent** 38 v Viborg HK DEN 24:38L (h), 07.02.2009

**Most goals both teams** 67 v CBM Astroc Sagunto ESP 37:30L (a), 19.02.2005

**Fewest goals** 15 v Buducnost MNE 22:15L (a), 03.11.2013  
15 v HC Vardar MKD 15:25L (h), 08.11.2015

**Fewest goals opponent** 17 v Byasen NOR 17:19W (a), 01.10.2011

**Fewest goals both teams** 36 v Byasen NOR 17:19W (a), 01.10.2011



## TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	cm
1	Irma	Schjött	SWE	Goalkeeper	18/11/1998	Fors, SWE	179
4	Julie	Scaglione	DEN	Left Back	20/08/2004	Skanderborg, DEN	183
6	Cecilie	Højgaard Brandt	DEN	Right Wing	16/11/2001	Herning, DEN	169
<b>7</b>	<b>Stine</b>	<b>Skogrand C</b>	<b>NOR</b>	<b>Right Back</b>	<b>03/03/1993</b>	<b>Bergen, NOR</b>	<b>173</b>
11	Sarah	Iversen	DEN	Line Player	10/04/1990	København, DEN	177
12	Filippa	Idéhn	SWE	Goalkeeper	15/08/1990	Sofia, DEN	183
14	Emma	Lindqvist	SWE	Centre Back	17/09/1997	Raus, SWE	177
15	Emma	Friis	DEN	Left Wing	31/10/1999	Herning, DEN	162
16	Andrea	Austmo Pedersen	NOR	Goalkeeper	19/04/1994	Agder, NOR	179
17	Simone	Petersen	DEN	Centre Back	28/08/1997	Ringsted, DEN	177
18	Maria	Schmidt Lykkegaard	DEN	Line Player	27/02/1996	Gentofte, DEN	175
19	Amanda	Loft Hansen	DEN	Line Player	13/01/2002	Skanderborg, DEN	182
21	Ingvild	Kristiansen Bakkerud	NOR	Left Back	09/07/1995	Sør-øst, NOR	187
23	Trine	Wacker Mortensen	DEN	Left Wing	14/09/1994	Roskilde, DEN	170
24	Johanne	Lasthein Andersen	DEN	Left Wing	12/08/2006	Svendborg, DEN	161
25	Freja	Dyrberg	DEN	Left Wing	29/11/2004	Farvskov, DEN	173
26	Anne	Nowak	DEN	Back	26/05/2006	Assens, DEN	179
27	Clara	Mendgaard Sørensen	DEN	Back	19/02/2006	Herning, DEN	183
28	Signe	Vendelbo Andersen	DEN	Back	17/01/2005	Herning, DEN	180
29	Caroline	Kottal Clausen	DEN	Right Wing	19/03/2006	Haderslev, DEN	174
33	Emma	Jessen	DEN	Goalkeeper	20/08/2006	Aabenraa, DEN	175
34	Simone Juel	Kristensen	DEN	Right Wing	25/12/2005	Aabenraa, DEN	174
35	Lina	Thorstein Lützhøft	DEN	Line Player	28/08/2006	Næstved, DEN	181
44	Ditte Marie Juel	Christensen	DEN	Goalkeeper	03/07/2006	Faaborg, DEN	177
51	Markéta	Jeřábková	CZE	Centre Back	08/02/1996	Plzen, CZE	175
55	Caroline	Søgaard Sørensen	DEN	Right Wing	09/07/2004	Herning, DEN	175
77	Line	Nørgaard Hougaard	DEN	Right Wing	06/10/1999	Herning, DEN	163







COACH



**Kasper Christensen**



- > became head coach at Ikast when he replaced Mathias Madsen in the summer of 2020
- > the move marked Christensen's switch from men's to women's handball
- > led Ikast to third place in the Danish league in his first season in charge and to the European League trophy in 2022/23
- > a former Skjern Håndbold player, who previously worked as a coach with men's side SønderjyskE

EL 2023

DEPARTURES

- Stephanie Andersen > (Ringkøbing Håndbold, DEN)
- Alberte Ebler > (Aarhus United, DEN)
- Line Uno > (Sønderjyske, DEN)
- Vilde Johansen > retired
- Julie Gantzel > retired
- Jessica Ryde > (Nantes, FRA)

ARRIVALS

- Markéta Jeřábková < (Vipers Kristiansand, NOR)
- Maria Lykkegaard < (København Håndbold, DEN)
- Amanda Loft < (Ajax København, DEN)
- Irma Schjött < (Thüringer HC, GER)
- Filippa Idéhn < (Silkeborg-Voel, DEN)





GOALKEEPER 

**Irma Schjött**

 @irmaaschjott

- > Swedish goalkeeper, arrived at Ikast from Thüringer HC in 2023
- > had 119 saves (35%) in the EL 2023/24 season
- > previously played for Swedish clubs Eskilstuna, Västerås and Hörs
- > arrived to replace Jessica Ryde who moved to Les Neptunes de Nantes
- > played in all Swedish youth and junior national teams before making senior debut



LEFT WING 

**Emma Friis**

 @emmafriis15

- > born and bred in Herning, Friis started to play handball at Ikast, where she made her debut in the team in 2016, aged 17
- > in her debut in a major tournament for the national team, Friis helped Denmark seal bronze at the 2021 IHF WCh in 2021, scoring 16 goals
- > MVP of the EHF Finals Women 2023
- > led Denmark to silver medals at the EHF EURO 2022 with 40 goals becoming the 7th best scorer of the tournament and named the All-star left wing

EL: 2023 EURO: S 2022; WCh: B 2021 EURO: Left wing 2022  
EL: MVP 2023



LEFT BACK 

**Julie Scaglione**

 @julie.scaglione

- > one of Denmark's most promising talents, who started her pro career at Ikast
- > made European debut as a 16-year-old in an EL match against Paris 92 in 2021
- > contributed eight goals in total to Ikast's 2022/23 quarter-final wins over Siófok KC
- > daughter of former Danish international and world champion Lone Mathiesen

EL: 2023



CENTRE BACK 

**Markéta Jeřábková**

 @marketa\_jerabkova5

- > joined in 2021 from German side Thüringer HC; also played for Baník Most and Érd
- > MVP of the EHF FINAL4 2022, where she scored 18 times to help Vipers lift the trophy
- > Vipers' leading scorer in CL 2022/23 after netting 96 times in the group phase
- > comes from a family with a penchant for sports: her father played football in the Czech top division, and her brother Jakub is an ice hockey international
- > MVP EHF FINAL4 2022

CL 2022, 2023



CENTRE BACK 

**Emma Lindqvist**

 @emmaalindqvist

- > joined from Swedish side H 65 Höörs HK in the summer of 2021
- > won one domestic league title with H 65 Höörs in Sweden and reached the Challenge Cup final in 2017
- > a key figure for Sweden's national team
- > very versatile player who can be used anywhere in the back court

EL 2023



LINE PLAYER 

**Sarah Iversen**

 @sarahiversen90

- > made her comeback at Ikast in 2020, after she had previously left the club in 2017
- > an integral part of the squad which won the W19 EHF EURO in 2015, she also won bronze at the WCh 2021
- > the best year of her career was 2015, when she won the EHF CWC, the W19 EHF EURO, the Danish league and the Danish Cup with Herning-Ikast and the Danish league and the Danish Cup with the Herning-Ikast U18 team
- > said that she was inspired by backs like Anja Andersen and Bojana Popovic when she was growing up

EL 2023 EURO: S 2022



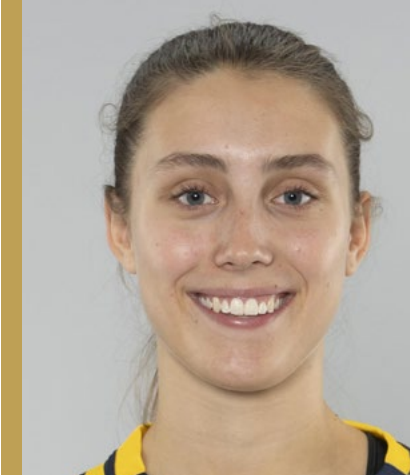
RIGHT BACK 


**Stine Skogrand**

 @sskogi


- > experienced Norwegian international, who is Ikast's team captain
- > has played for Ikast since she signed from Silkeborg-Voel KFUM in 2018
- > important part of Norway's national team as her defensive skills support Nora Mørk
- > a member of the national team since 2013

EL 2023 EURO: G 2016, 2020, 2022; WCh: G 2015, S 2017



RIGHT WING 

**Cecilie Brandt**

 @cecilie.brandt

- > played for Herning-Ikast's youth team since 2017, when she came from SonderjyskE, featured for both the youth and the senior team until aged 19
- > an integral part of the squad which won the W19 EHF EURO in 2015, she also won bronze at the WCh 2021
- > the best year of her career was 2015, when she won the EHF CWC, the W19 EHF EURO, the Danish league and the Danish Cup with Herning-Ikast and the Danish league and the Danish Cup with the Herning-Ikast U18 team
- > made her debut in the national team in March 2022, highlighting her potential

EL 2023



## WHAT HAPPENS WHEN TWO OR MORE TEAMS HAVE THE SAME NUMBER OF POINTS

All matches shall be played in accordance with the IHF's current Rules of the Game. Variations on a technical level are possible. All matches shall be played in 2 x 30 minutes with a half-time break of 15 minutes.

The matches shall be scored as follows:

- a) win = 2 points
- b) draw = 1 point
- c) loss = 0 points

Teams' rankings are obtained by adding up the number of points won.

### GROUP PHASE

If two or more teams have scored the same number of points, the ranking will be determined as follows:

During the matches of the group:

- a) higher goal difference in all matches;
- b) higher number of plus goals in all matches;

After completion of the group if two teams have scored the same number of points:

- a) number of points in matches of the two teams directly involved;
- b) goal difference in matches of the two teams directly involved;

- c) goal difference in all matches of the group;
- d) higher number of plus goals in all matches of the group;

After completion of the group if three or more teams have scored the same number of points:

- a) number of points in matches of all teams directly involved;
- b) goal difference in matches of all teams directly involved;
- c) higher number of plus goals in matches of all teams directly involved;
- d) goal difference in all matches of the group;
- e) higher number of plus goals in all matches of the group;

\* If the ranking of one of these teams is determined, the criteria are consecutively followed until the ranking of all teams is determined.

\* If no ranking can be determined, a decision shall be obtained by drawing lots. Lots shall be drawn by the EHF, if possible in the presence of each club.

### PLAY-OFF AND QUARTER-FINALS

If, after completion of the two matches, both clubs have won the same number of points

(no extra-time will be played), the teams' standings shall be determined by the following criteria:

- a) goal difference
- b) penalty throws

### RULES FOR EXECUTION OF PENALTY THROWS

- > Prior to penalty throwing, each team shall name five players eligible to play at the end of the match by handing the referees a list of numbers. These players shall then take one throw each until a decision (a winner) is reached, alternating with their opponents. Each team is free to determine the sequence in which throwers will take their throws
- > The goalkeepers may be freely selected from the match report and exchanged in accordance with the Rules of the game. Goalkeepers may take throws and throwers may play as goalkeepers.
- > The referees shall choose the goal at which throws are taken. The team taking the first penalty throw shall be determined by the referees by drawing lots. The team winning the draw may choose whether it wishes to throw first or last.
- > If scores are equal after the first round of penalty throwing, it shall be continued

until a decision is reached. In the second round, the other team shall start. Again five players shall be named who are eligible to play (the players named before may be named once again).

- > In the second round, a decision (a winner) is reached when a goal difference arises after both teams have taken one throw each.
- > Eligible players are players entered in the match report who have not been disqualified or suspended at the time of the final whistle.
- > Serious infractions committed during penalty throwing shall be sanctioned by disqualification. If a thrower is disqualified or suffers an injury, an eligible substitute player shall be named supplementary.
- > While the throws are being taken, only the player taking the throw, the current goalkeeper and the referees may enter the respective half of the playing area.
- > If the number of eligible players falls below five, players may be named to take a second throw in the same round.

# HISTORY







# 142 GOALS

## HENNY REISTAD

Team Esbjerg



Rank	Player	Club	Matches	Shots	Goals	%
1	Reistad Henny	Team Esbjerg	20	206	<b>142</b>	68.9
2	Jeřábková Markéta	Vipers Kristiansand	17	185	<b>118</b>	63.8
2	Neagu Cristina	CSM Bucuresti	16	210	<b>118</b>	56.2
4	Klujber Katrin	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	19	184	<b>114</b>	62
5	Gros Ana	Györi Audi ETO KC	16	144	<b>99</b>	68.8
6	Bölk Emily	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	20	183	<b>92</b>	50.3
	Malestein Angela	FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria	20	151	<b>92</b>	60.9
	Radicevic Jovanka	Krim Mercator Ljubljana	16	139	<b>92</b>	66.2
9	Obaidli Anniken	Storhamar Handball Elite	16	154	<b>91</b>	59.1
10	Raicevic Milena	Buducnost BEMAX	13	155	<b>88</b>	56.8
11	de Paula Bruna	Metz Handball	16	138	<b>86</b>	62.3
12	Dmitrieva Daria	Krim Mercator Ljubljana	16	149	<b>85</b>	57
13	Vyakhireva Anna	Vipers Kristiansand	15	136	<b>84</b>	61.8
14	Roberts Jamina	Vipers Kristiansand	18	121	<b>80</b>	66.1
15	Ingstad Vilde	Team Esbjerg	19	102	<b>78</b>	76.5
16	Cholevová Charlotte	DHK Banik Most	13	146	<b>76</b>	52
	Mørk Nora	Team Esbjerg	18	116	<b>76</b>	65.5
18	van Wetering Bo	Odense Handbold	18	114	<b>75</b>	65.8
19	Breistøl Kristine	Team Esbjerg	19	129	<b>72</b>	55.8
	Grozav Sorina	CS Rapid Bucuresti	15	146	<b>72</b>	49.3
21	Buceschi Eliza	CS Rapid Bucuresti	17	124	<b>70</b>	56.4
	Jørgensen Kristina	Metz Handball	16	127	<b>70</b>	55.1
23	Oftedal Stine	Györi Audi ETO KC	15	104	<b>69</b>	66.4
	Valentini Chloé	Metz Handball	15	87	<b>69</b>	79.3
25	Housheer Dione	Odense Handbold	15	128	<b>68</b>	53.1
26	Aardahl Maren	Odense Handbold	18	95	<b>66</b>	69.5
	Nze Minko Estelle	Györi Audi ETO KC	18	99	<b>66</b>	66.7
	Pletikosic Matea	Buducnost BEMAX	15	107	<b>66</b>	61.7
29	Højlund Mie	Odense Handbold	16	123	<b>65</b>	52.8
30	Chebbah Mouna	Kastamonu Belediyesi	13	125	<b>64</b>	51.2

TR	Name of the club	MP	W	D	L	GF:FA	GD	P	NP	%
<b>1</b>	<b>Györi Audi ETO KC HUN</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>7982:6707</b>	<b>+1275</b>	<b>430:114</b>	<b>(20)</b>	<b>79,04%</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>WHC Buducnost BEMAX MNE</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>8028:7810</b>	<b>+218</b>	<b>341:271</b>	<b>(27)</b>	<b>55,72%</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>7975:8097</b>	<b>-122</b>	<b>281:319</b>	<b>(28)</b>	<b>46,83%</b>
4	Hypo Niederösterreich AUT	198	124	5	69	5285:5002	+283	252*:144	(23)	63,64%
<b>5</b>	<b>FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>6184:6020</b>	<b>+164</b>	<b>250:198</b>	<b>(22)</b>	<b>55,80%</b>
6	Larvik HK NOR	202	115	10	77	5424:5072	+352	240:164	(20)	59,41%
<b>7</b>	<b>Metz Handball FRA</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>4682:4448</b>	<b>+234</b>	<b>199:153</b>	<b>(17)</b>	<b>56,53%</b>
8	Viborg HK DEN	164	87	12	65	4565:4323	+242	186:142	(17)	56,71%
<b>9</b>	<b>CSM Bucuresti ROU</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>3383:3124</b>	<b>+259</b>	<b>154:98</b>	<b>(9)</b>	<b>61,11%</b>
10	SCM Ramnicu Valcea ROU	146	72	9	65	3769:3688	+81	153:139	(13)	52,40%
11	Rostov-Don RUS	98	65	7	26	2570:2309	+261	137:59	(7)	69,90%
12	HC Podravka Vegeta CRO	166	55	8	103	4131:4565	-434	118:214	(22)	35,54%
13	HC Vardar MKD	78	55	6	17	2272:1959	+313	116:40	(5)	74,36%
<b>14</b>	<b>Vipers Kristiansand NOR</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2608:2381</b>	<b>+227</b>	<b>114:66</b>	<b>(7)</b>	<b>63,33%</b>
15	CBM Astroc Sagunto ESP	100	52	3	45	2658:2582	+76	107:93	(12)	53,50%
16	FC Midtjylland DEN	110	48	8	54	2794:2828	-34	104:116	(11)	47,27%
17	Kometal Gjorce Petrov MKD	98	47	6	45	2460:2410	+50	100:96	(12)	51,02%

\* = point for Hypo NÖ deducted by official decision



<b>18</b>	<b>Team Esbjerg DEN</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>2234:2065</b>	<b>+169</b>	<b>91:65</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>58,33%</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Brest Bretagne Handball FRA</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2317:2239</b>	<b>+78</b>	<b>86:82</b>	<b>(7)</b>	<b>51,19%</b>
20	Dinamo-Sinara RUS	94	38	9	47	2473:2520	-47	85:103	(11)	45,21%
21	Slagelse DT DEN	56	38	2	16	1514:1400	+114	78:34	(5)	69,64%
22	HC Lada RUS	62	33	2	27	1729:1737	-8	68:56	(7)	54,84%
<b>23</b>	<b>Odense Håndbold DEN</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1770:1742</b>	<b>+28</b>	<b>63:65</b>	<b>(5)</b>	<b>49,22%</b>
24	Dunaferr NK HUN	52	29	4	19	1395:1285	+110	62:42	(6)	59,62%
25	Thüringer HC GER	86	25	7	54	2204:2360	-156	57:115	(8)	33,14%
<b>30</b>	<b>IK Sävehof SWE</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>2310:2785</b>	<b>-475</b>	<b>40:144</b>	<b>(11)</b>	<b>21,74%</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>SG BBM Bietigheim GER</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1427:1564</b>	<b>-137</b>	<b>28:80</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>25,93%</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>CS Rapid Bucuresti ROU</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>551:528</b>	<b>+23</b>	<b>22:14</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>61,11%</b>
<b>66</b>	<b>DVSC – Korvex HUN</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>143:171</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>2:10</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>16,67%</b>
NR	MKS Zagłębie Lubin POL	0	0	0	0	0:0	0	0:0	(1)	0,00%

**Biggest wins:**

- 26 Ferencvaros Budapest HUN vs Anagennisi Artas GRE 42:16 (19:7), 18.01.1997
- 25 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN @ DHK Banik Most CZE 21:46 (13:23), 13.10.2019
- 25 Metz Handball FRA vs HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 38:13 (20:6), 22.10.2022
- 24 BV Borussia 09 Dortmund GER vs HC Podravka Vegeta CRO 38:14 (16:8), 31.10.2021
- 24 Storhamar Handball Elite NOR vs HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 37:13 (22:7), 17.09.2022
- 24 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN vs DHK Banik Most CZE 43:19 (20:11), 17.12.2022
- 23 HC Vardar MKD @ HC Leipzig GER 22:45 (9:22), 19.11.2016
- 23 SG BBM Bietigheim GER @ DHK Banik Most CZE 23:46 (12:23), 11.09.2022

**Biggest home wins:**

- 26 Ferencvaros Budapest HUN vs Anagennisi Artas GRE 42:16 (19:7), 18.01.1997
- 25 Metz Handball FRA vs HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 38:13 (20:6), 22.10.2022
- 24 BV Borussia 09 Dortmund GER vs HC Podravka Vegeta CRO 38:14 (16:8), 31.10.2021
- 24 Storhamar Handball Elite NOR vs HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 37:13 (22:7), 17.09.2022
- 24 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN vs DHK Banik Most CZE 43:19 (20:11), 17.12.2022
- 22 Dunaferre SE HUN vs GAS Anagennisi Artas GRE 41:19 (17:9), 07.11.1999
- 22 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN vs IK Sävehof SWE 41:19 (20:9), 30.10.2021
- 22 SG BBM Bietigheim GER vs DHK Banik Most CZE 47:25 (22:12), 12.02.2023

**Biggest away wins:**

- 25 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN @ DHK Banik Most CZE 21:46 (13:23), 13.10.2019
- 23 HC Vardar MKD @ HC Leipzig GER 22:45 (9:22), 19.11.2016
- 23 SG BBM Bietigheim GER @ DHK Banik Most CZE 23:46 (12:23), 11.09.2022
- 22 Vipers Kristiansand NOR @ DHK Banik Most CZE 21:43 (15:20), 03.12.2022
- 19 Oltchim Rm. Valcea ROU @ Buxtehuder SV GER 15:34 (6:14), 20.10.2012
- 19 Vipers Kristiansand NOR @ IK Sävehof SWE 23:42 (15:21), 09.01.2022
- 19 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN @ DHK Banik Most CZE 27:46 (11:26), 22.10.2022

**Biggest lead at half-time:**

- 15 Krim Electa Ljubljana SLO vs Anagennisi Artas GRE 36:12 (18:3), 25.01.1997
- 15 Zvezda Zvenigorod RUS vs RK Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO 36:31 (22:7), 09.11.2007
- 15 Larvik NOR vs Dinamo RUS 41:20 (24:9), 12.02.2011
- 15 Storhamar Handball Elite NOR vs HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 37:13 (22:7), 17.09.2022
- 15 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN @ DHK Banik Most CZE 27:46 (11:26), 22.10.2022
- 14 CS 'Oltchim' Rm. Valcea ROU vs 1. FC Nürnberg GER 39:27 (23:9), 07.03.2008
- 14 FTC Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN @ Dinamo Volgograd RUS 21:37 (9:23), 14.10.2012
- 14 Metz Handball FRA vs HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO 38:13 (20:6), 22.10.2022



**Most goals Top 10:**

- 47 WHC Vardar SCBT MKD @ RK Krim Mercator SLO 29:47 (12:24), 06.03.2015
- 47 SG BBM Bietigheim GER vs DHK Banik Most CZE 47:25 (22:12), 12.02.2023
- 46 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN @ DHK Banik Most CZE 21:46 (13:23), 13.10.2019
- 46 SG BBM Bietigheim GER @ DHK Banik Most CZE 23:46 (12:23), 11.09.2022
- 46 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN @ DHK Banik Most CZE 27:46 (11:26), 22.10.2022
- 46 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA @ DHK Banik Most CZE 30:46 (14:22), 14.01.2023
- 45 HC Vardar MKD @ HC Leipzig GER 22:45 (9:22), 19.11.2016
- 44 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN vs Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK TUR 44:25 (23:14), 18.09.2022

**Most goals both teams:**

- 82 HC 'Lada Togliatti' RUS vs Byasen HB Elite Trondheim NOR 43:39 (22:19), 18.02.2007
- 76 RK Krim Mercator SLO vs 'Buducnost' MNE 36:40 (19:23), 04.03.2011
- 76 RK Krim Mercator SLO vs WHC Vardar SCBT MKD 29:47 (12:24), 06.03.2015
- 76 Vipers Kristiansand NOR vs Metz Handball FRA 38:38 (17:21), 20.10.2019
- 76 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA @ DHK Banik Most CZE 30:46 (14:22), 14.01.2023
- 74 RK Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO vs H/K Dinamo Volgograd RUS 41:33 (20:15), 13.01.2007
- 74 Dinamo RUS vs Viborg HK DEN 41:33 (20:15), 24.10.2010

**Fewest goals:**

- 10 Granicar Djurdjevac CRO @ Viborg HK DEN 27:10 (12:5), 05.01.1997
- 12 Anagennisi Artas GRE @ Krim Electa Ljubljana SLO 36:12 (18:3), 25.01.1997
- 12 Kometal Dj. P. Skopje MKD @ Hypo Niederösterreich AUT 26:12 (12:6), 21.02.1998
- 12 Slagelse FH DEN @ Kometal DP Skopje MKD 20:12 (9:4), 22.01.2005
- 12 Slagelse DT DEN vs Viborg HK A/S DEN 12:22 (7:12), 23.02.2008
- 13 Podravka Koprivnica CRO @ HYPO Niederösterreich AUT 17:13 (9:7), 04.05.1996
- 13 Granicar Djurdjevac CRO @ Kometal Dj. Petrov Skopje MKD 33:13 (19:7), 09.11.1996
- 13 Larvik NOR @ Buducnost MNE 23:13 (10:7), 08.04.2012
- 13 HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO @ Storhamar Handball Elite NOR 37:13 (22:7), 17.09.2022
- 13 HC Lokomotiva Zagreb CRO @ Metz Handball FRA 38:13 (20:6), 22.10.2022

**Fewest goals both teams:**

- 30 HYPO Niederösterreich AUT vs Podravka Koprivnica CRO 17:13 (9:7), 04.05.1996
- 31 Viborg HK DEN vs Hypo Niederösterreich AUT 15:16 (7:9), 04.01.1998
- 32 CB Mar Valencia ESP vs Hypo Niederösterreich AUT 14:18 (4:8), 20.03.1994
- 32 Kometal DP Skopje MKD vs Slagelse FH DEN 20:12 (9:4), 22.01.2005
- 32\* WHC Vardar SCBT MKD vs Buducnost MNE 20:22 (6:11, 16:16), 03.05.2014
- 33 ASPTT Metz FRA vs Byasen Trondheim NOR 16:17 (7:9), 10.11.1996
- 34 Krim Electa Ljubljana SLO vs ESBF Besancon FRA 19:15 (12:8), 02.01.1999
- 34 Kometal DP Skopje MKD vs ASPTT Metz FRA 18:16 (9:6), 27.02.2000

**Biggest deficit overcome after losing first half to win a game:**

- 8 Byasen HB Elite Trondheim NOR vs ZRK Buducnost T-Mobile MNE 27:26 (10:18), 25.02.2007
- 6 Montex Lublin POL @ Henzo Swift Roermond NED 22:23 (16:10), 26.01.1997
- 6 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN vs Buducnost MNE 29:28 (9:15), 13.03.2021
- 6 IK Sävehof SWE vs Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK TUR 28:26 (11:17), 24.10.2021
- 6 Vipers Kristiansand NOR @ Krim Mercator Ljubljana SLO 26:27 (16:10), 30.10.2021

**Biggest deficit overcome after losing first half to draw a game:**

- 7 RK Krim Mercator SLO @ Viborg HK DEN 28:28 (16:9), 29.10.2011
- 7 Brest Bretagne Handball FRA vs Buducnost MNE 28:28 (11:18), 17.01.2021
- 6 Ferrobuss KU Mislata ESP vs Baekkelaget SK NOR 26:26 (10:16), 21.01.2001
- 6 Györi Graboplast ETO HUN vs RK Krim Neutro SLO 21:21 (7:13), 28.01.2001
- 6 Larvik NOR @ Grupo Asfi Itxako Navarra ESP 19:19 (12:6), 25.02.2012
- 6 Thüringer HC GER @ CSM Bucuresti ROU 23:23 (14:8), 08.03.2019

**Most goals in one half:**

- 26 Györi Audi ETO KC HUN vs HC Podravka Vegeta CRO – 2nd half 43:28 (17:16), 19.09.2020
- 26 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN @ DHK Banik Most CZE – 1st half 27:46 (11:26), 22.10.2022
- 25 CSM Bucuresti ROU vs DHK Banik Most CZE – 1st half 40:25 (25:13), 16.10.2022
- 25 Team Esbjerg DEN @ Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK TUR – 1st half 27:43 (12:25), 23.10.2022
- 25 SG BBM Bietigheim GER vs DHK Banik Most CZE – 2nd half 47:25 (22:12), 12.02.2023

**Most goals in one half both teams:**

- 45 HC Leipzig GER vs Viborg HK A/S DEN – 2nd half 35:37 (11:16), 11.02.2007
- 42 1. FC Nürnberg GER vs HC 'Lada Togliatti' RUS – 1st half 31:39 (20:22), 23.02.2008
- 42 RK Krim Mercator SLO vs Viborg HK DEN – 1st half 38:34 (20:22), 15.11.2008
- 42 RK Krim Mercator SLO vs 'Buducnost' MNE – 1st half 36:40 (19:23), 04.03.2011



**Fewest goals in one half:**

- 3 Anagennisi Artas GRE @ Krim Electa Ljubljana SLO – 1st half 36:12 (18:3), 25.01.1997
- 4 CB Mar Valencia ESP vs Hypo Niederösterreich AUT – 1st half 14:18 (4:8), 20.03.1994
- 4 Viborg HK DEN @ Oltchim Valcea ROU – 1st half 22:19 (9:4), 08.11.1997
- 4 Slagelse FH DEN @ Kometal DP Skopje MKD – 1st half 20:12 (9:4), 22.01.2005
- 4 FC Midtjylland DEN vs HC Vardar MKD – 2nd half 15:25 (11:12), 08.11.2015
- 4 Glassverket NOR @ Thüringer HC GER – 1st half 24:16 (10:4), 16.10.2016

**Fewest goals in one half both team:**

- 11 Granicar Djurdjevac CRO vs Viborg HK DEN – 1st half 17:19 (5:6), 25.01.1997
- 11 Oltchim Valcea ROU vs Hypo Niederösterreich AUT – 2nd half 17:18 (11:13), 10.01.1998
- 12 CB Mar Valencia ESP vs Hypo Niederösterreich AUT – 1st half 14:18 (4:8), 20.03.1994
- 12 Podravka Koprivnica CRO vs Hypo Niederösterreich AUT – 1st half 17:14 (6:6), 29.04.1995
- 12 ZRK Buducnost MONET SCG vs Dunafer SE HUN – 2nd half 16:18 (10:12), 06.02.2005

**Winning and losing streaks****Longest winning run:**

- |                   |                                      |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Györi Audi ETO KC | 16 matches (05.02.2018 – 26.01.2019) |
| Larvik            | 15 matches (18.10.2014 – 09.05.2015) |

**Longest unbeaten run:**

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|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Györi Audi ETO KC | 55 matches (05.02.2018 – 10.04.2021) |
| Györi Audi ETO KC | 22 matches (05.05.2013 – 23.11.2014) |
| Buducnost         | 22 matches (19.10.2014 – 20.11.2015) |

**Longest losing run:**

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK | 18 matches (12.09.2021 - 08.10.2022) |
| DHK Banik Most           | 17 matches (02.11.2019 – 12.02.2023) |
| RK Krim Mercator         | 16 matches (09.11.2014 – 15.10.2016) |
| GAS Anagennisi Artas     | 15 matches (09.01.1999 – 17.02.2001) |

**Longest run without win:**

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| HC Lokomotiva Zagreb     | 20 matches (19.10.2014 – 12.02.2023) |
| DHK Banik Most           | 19 matches (13.10.2019 – 12.02.2023) |
| Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK | 18 matches (12.09.2021 - 08.10.2022) |



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