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Foreword EHF President

Dear handball friends,

16 teams remain in race for EHF European League Men 2024/25 title

Following a thrilling opening to the season, starting with 10 teams in the qualification round and another 22 joining the race for the trophy in the group matches, the EHF European League Men 2024/25 looks to the main round. The competition is set to heat up as the 16 sides left standing vie for places in the knockout round, with four direct quarter-final places and eight play-off spots at stake.

After four rounds in this phase, the teams that finish on top of the four main round groups will earn the right to skip the play-offs and progress directly to the quarter-finals, while the sides ranked second and third in each of the groups will meet in the play-offs. The play-offs and quarter-finals will consist of two-leg ties to determine aggregate winners. The quarter-final victors qualify for the EHF Finals Men 2025, to be held in Hamburg.

The 16 teams in the main round reached this stage after placing first or second their respective group matches tables.

Three teams start the main round on the back of a perfect record of wins in the EHF European League season: Montpellier Handball, THW Kiel and SG Flensburg-Handewitt — three clubs that have previously won the coveted EHF Champions League title.

However, with only the results against other teams that progress counting towards the main round tables, two other sides will start this stage with the maximum two points despite having lost in the group matches: Bidasoa Irun from Spain and another German team, MT Melsungen.

Montpellier play in group I alongside Danish side GOG, Swiss team HC Kriens-Luzern, and Spanish club Fraikin BM. Granollers, the latter of whom played the EHF European League final in 2023. Irun are in group II with Limoges from France, Sport Lisboa e Benfica from Portugal and Ystads IF from Sweden. Group III features Kiel, Melsungen, Vojvodina from Serbia and FC Porto from Portugal. Group IV is comprised of Flensburg, VfL Gummersbach (Germany), Fenix Toulouse (France) and MOL Tatabanya KC (Hungary).

The main round begins on February 11 and concludes on March 4. The play-offs will take place on March 25 and April 1, the quarter-finals on April 22 and 29, and the EHF Finals Men on May 24–25.

Enjoy the matches!

Yours in sport,

Michael Wiederer EHF President



Foreword GOG

Statements of Head Coach, Kasper Christensen, about the EHF European League season:

First of all we want to move on from the group stage. From there anything can happen. We are a club with big ambitions and our dream is final 4.

GOG has great traditions in Europe and we look forward to once again having the possibility to show ourselves in Europe. In addition, the European matches give us important experience for our young talents, and give us as a team many matches on a high level.

Statements of Captain, Nicolai Pedersen, about the EHF European League season:

It's a special season for me and the team because we've completely changed the core of the team. There are only a few players left from the first season, so our main focus as a group is to build a new team and create synergy so that we can make the most of everyone's strengths. Personally, I want to improve my game and contribute as much as I can to the team. I'm really motivated to do that.

I wouldn't say there's one specific match I'm looking forward to the most. It's always a privilege to play European games and test ourselves against other strong teams that we don't face regularly in our domestic league. I'm most excited to see how we perform as a team when we're in a tight situation and playing for a win. We're optimistic as a team and believe we can go far in the tournament and play beautiful, fast handball.

We have new coach Kasper Christensen (former coach of Ikast Handball) for the season and some new players, so we use a lot of time on implementing the new things and learn each other, so we are ready for the new season. We want to play fast and watchable handball for the upcoming season.



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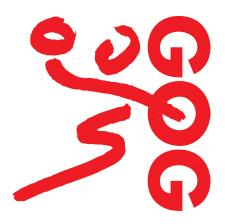
GOG

- 1. Frederik Møller Wolff
- 2. William Dalby Enoch
- 3. Nicolai Nygaard Pedersen
- 4. Kasper Teglgaard Pedersen
- 5. Jacob Dalager
- 7. Lasse Sunesen Vilhelmsen
- 8. Frederik Tilsted
- 9. Henrik Jakobsen
- 10. Frederik Emil Pedersen
- 11. Kasper Dahl Jacobsen
- 12. Peter Johannesson
- 13. Andreas Johann Nielsen
- 14. Simon Humlegaard
- 15. Tobias Schjølberg Grøndahl
- 16. Oliver Briese Havregaard Nielsen
- 19. Oskar Vind Rasmussen
- 21. Kasper Emil Kildelund
- 22. Hjalte Langmach
- 23. Joachim Lyng Als
- 27. Oskar Møller Jakobsen
- 28. Emil Oxenvad Tonnesen
- 29. Hjalte Lykke
- 37. Linus Niclas Persson
- 64. Salah Boutaf
- 66. Anton Lindskog
- 77. Magnus Árason
- 71. Alexnadre Christoffersen Blonz
- 78. Aksel Kaj Larsen

Fraikin BM Granollers

EUROPEAN

- 1. Roberto Rodríguez Lario
- 2. Ivan José Montoya Martínez
- 3. Andrés Gabriel Moyano
- 4. Marc Vega Velilla
- 6. Biel Valera Rovira
- 7. Victor Romero Holguin
- 8. Tarcisio Freitas Oliveira
- 9. Jordi Deumal Torroella
- 10. Oriol Rey Morales
- 12. Lluc Borrell Nadal
- 14. Leonardo Abrahão
- 21. Gerard Domingo Calzada
- 32. Pablo Guijarro Moreno
- 33. Ferran Castillo Oliveras
- 34. Sergi Franco i Miro
- 39. Pol Chaves Valera
- 51. Pau Panitti Martinez
- 71. Guillem Vega Velilla
- 77. Pablo Urdangarin de Borbón
- 99. Antonio Jesus Garcia Robledo









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