

COMPETITIONS COMMISSION MEETING

Friday, 30 August 2024 Courtyard Vienna Prater/Messe Hotel

CC: Bozidar Djurkovic / Chairman
Jan Kampman / Member Men's Competitions
Päivi Mitrunen / Member Women's Competitions
Dragan Nachevski / Member Refereeing (excused)
Gaël Pelletier / Member Men's Club Competitions
Thomas Hylle / Member Women's Club Competitions

Office: Markus Glaser / EHF CSO
further staff members according to the agenda

Minutes

1. Welcome

Chairman Djurkovic and EHF Chief Sports Officer Glaser welcomed the CC members and gave a brief overview about the upcoming meeting. Djurkovic informed that two additional topics have been added to the agenda. One has been proposed by Pelletier concerning club competitions, and a second one by Glaser addressing women's competitions in general. Both of them have been inserted under agenda 4.3.

Since the EHF Finance Delegation meeting was taking place at the same time, Secretary General Hausleitner planned to visit all three commissions separately throughout the afternoon.

2. Minutes and Reports of Meetings and Task Groups

No remarks were made.

3. Information on Meeting of Technical Delegation / CAN

Djurkovic summarized the most important topics which had been discussed one day prior. The TD notes will be made available to all CC members for reference.

4. Club Competitions

4.1. Review Men's and Women's Club Competitions 2023/2024

The season ended successfully and without any issues or complications. No decisions or particular measures are necessary.

4.2. Preview Men's and Women's Club Competitions 2024/2025

248 registrations in total have been received for the new season, Scheder reported. Compared to the previous season the following numbers resulted:

	Event	2023/24	2024/25
Men	Champions League	16	16
	European League	37	42
	European Cup	76	73
Women	Champions League	16	16
	European League	34	37
	European Cup	64	64

During August and after the first draw of the competition the Women’s European League (WEL) club Neptunes de Nantes withdrew from the competition, therefore adaptations in the competition’s playing system had to be made (see graphic).

EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE WOMEN 2024/2025						
EHF	QR 1	Qualification Round 2	Qualification Round 3	Group Phase	Quarter-finals	Finals
		24 teams	24 teams	16 teams	8 teams	4 teams
		05. - 06.10.2024 first leg	09. - 10.11.2024 first leg	Round 1: 11. - 12.01.2025 Round 2: 18. - 19.01.2025 Round 3: 25. - 26.01.2025 Round 4: 08. - 09.02.2025 Round 5: 15. - 16.02.2025 Round 6: 22. - 23.02.2025	22. - 23.03.2025 first leg	03. - 04.05.2025 Tournament played in semi-finals and finals in one venue
		12. - 13.10.2024 second leg	16. - 17.11.2024 second leg		29. - 30.03.2025 second leg	
NATION						
	DRAWS:	16.07.2024	16.07.2024	21.11.2024	no draw	no draw
1 DEN	no matches			Daxx Handball HSG Bensheim/Auerbach Dunarea Braila H.C. Motherson Masonmagyarovari KC	1st and 2nd placed teams of each group of the Group Phase	4 Winners of Quarter-finals
2 GER						
3 ROU						
4 HUN						
5 GER						
6 GER						
7 NOR						
8 FRA						
9						
10 CRO						
11 POL						
12 GER						
13 NOR						
14 HUN						
15 CRO						
16 POL						
17 ESP						
18 SWE						
19 SUI						
20 SRB						
21 CZE						
22 TUR						
23 AUT						
24 SVK						
25 NED						
26 MKD						
27 POR						
28 NOR						
29 POL						
30 ESP						
31 SWE						
32 SUI						
33 TUR						
34 GER						
35 ROU						
36 FRA						
37 HUN						

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The No.4 seeded team, Neptunes de Nantes Handball (FRA) withdrew from the Competition.

As the next-best ranked Nation in the 2024/25 EHF European League Women Ranking without a fixed place in the Group Phase, the best seeded team from HUN (Motherson Masonmagyarovari KC) was awarded with this place.

There will be no replacement for Motherson Masonmagyarovari KC in Qualification Round 3. Therefore their opponent, the Winner of Qualification Round 2 Match 5 (Fredrikstad Baliklubb (NOR) vs. GC Amicitia Zürich (SUI)) will directly advance to the Group Phase

The club competition season will start on 31 August with the first leg of Men’s European League Qualification matches.

As a reminder Scheder explained the approved procedure regarding the special qualification way to the Men's European league Group Phase for the teams from the lower ranked Federations. A total of three teams registered this time for this special qualification. As this was an odd number HC Vojvodina (SRB) as the best ranked team among the three qualified directly to the Group Matches while the other two teams, RK Izvidac (BIH) and HCB Karvina (CZE), will play the qualification.

4.3. Input from Club Representatives and further topics

Pelletier explained that it is in general complicated and causes troubles with the airlines if teams travel with a bigger number of balls on an airplane to away games. They need to be packed in an oversized baggage, must be deflated and a lot of times do not arrive on time at its destination he mentioned. It is therefore proposed from the side of the clubs, supported by the FCH, that the home teams should provide 16-20 balls for the away teams and no balls would have to be brought along to an away game anymore.

The CC members were in favour of this request. Glaser pointed out that this change will result in a change of the regulations and therefore cannot be implemented immediately. He also noted that it must be made mandatory for all men's and women's club competitions (or at least those with a group phase), as Pelletier recommended. Several issues of this proposal will be clarified before the topic can be decided and a motion to the EXEC will be tabled.

Mitrunen noted that it also causes issues at National Team Competitions to bring along a physio bed to an away game. It was advised that agreements shall be made among the competing teams ahead of the travel, that the home team must provide a physio bed for the away team.

At this point of the meeting Glaser summarized the issues regarding EHF Women's competitions in general.

There was very low interest by the Federations to host a W17 EURO or W19 EURO in 2025 despite a raise of the daily rate to 170€ per person per day.

Furthermore, it is currently very difficult to find a hosting federation for the tournaments of the 2025 WWCh Europe Qualification Phase 1 even though the tournaments only include three teams and it was particularly wished by the federations concerned to play a tournament instead of home and away.

He reminded on the 2024 Women's Euro Qualifiers where there was no phase 1 and various matches in phase 2 produced very one-sided results with several federations indicating that they will not register anymore for the 2026 Qualifiers except if they can play phase 1.

The Women's Champions League hardly manages to have 16 competitive teams and several attempts with new clubs in the last two seasons failed. The consequence was to include three teams from some federations, which reduced the overall number of countries resp. markets. Serious economic difficulties were reported at the beginning of the summer around Buducnost from Podgorica (Women's Champions League / MNE) which became only better after obviously the city of Podgorica will act as an economic security umbrella for the club.

Neptunes de Nantes (Women's European League / FRA) withdrew from the competition in August due to losing their sole club investor.

Vipers Kristiansand (Women's Champions League / NOR) appeared in the media in mid-August with a report about serious economic difficulties in the club and quite a large amount of money was mentioned that is needed to further operate normal business.

Glaser explained that it is a first step to have an overall information about the different situations in order to understand that the difficulties are evident across all women's competitions.

The CC discussed these inputs and agreed that there is a need to pay special attention to this issue and to further look into it.

5. Refereeing topics

5.1. Status of referee pairs in EHF for the 2024/25 season

128 referee pairs (106 male and 22 female) have been registered with the EHF for the new season. 15 male, 9 female and 1 mixed pair are currently in the pool of Candidates, whereas 25 male and 18 female pairs are within the Young Referee Programme (YRP).

The CC was informed that EHF referee Ruslan **Loshak** from UKR moved to LTU and is working there as a teacher. Due to the war in UKR him and his Ukrainian referee partner Anatoliy **Novikov** experienced several issues officiating together abroad, therefore he started refereeing in the Lithuanian league with Mindaugas **Gatelis**. As both have the EHF badge, the EHF was contacted by LTU and UKR asking if they can officiate together as an EHF referee pair. An observation by an EHF Referee expert will be done in LTU and, in case of a positive feedback, the pair will be confirmed as EHF Referees.

Nine referee pairs ended their careers after the previous season/the Olympics.

- **Jurinovic** Dalibor / **Mrvica** Marko (CRO / EHF)
- **Kirkholm Madsen** Jesper / **Mortensen** Henrik (DEN / EHF)
- **Bonaventura** Charlotte / **Bonaventura** Julie (FRA / IHF, EHF)
- **Hannes** Christian / **Hannes** David (GER / IHF, EHF)
- **Mazeika** Vaidas (LTU / IHF, EHF)

*Remark: Gatelis **Mindaugas** was re-registered as a single referee*

- **Kijauskaite** Viktorija / **Zaliene** Ausra (LTU / IHF, EHF)
- **Brunner** Arthur / **Salah** Morad (SUI / IHF, EHF)
- **Badura** Michal / **Ondogrecula** Jaroslav (SVK / EHF)

Already during the last season, the following referees ended their career:

- **Baumgart** Fabian / **Wild** Sascha (GER / EHF)
- **Gubica** Matija / **Milosevic** Boris (CRO / IHF, EHF)

5.2. Review EHF Candidate Referee courses in 2024

During the past months two EHF Candidate Referee courses took place. Six pairs from SRB, SWE, ISL, FRA, NOR and ROU passed the course in April in Drammen, NOR, successfully. The second course was organized in Pristina, KOS, on the fringes of the M20 Championships in July. A total of

eight pairs participated, of whom seven passed the course (GER, DEN, CRO, MNE, CZE, SUI and KOS). The referee pair from UKR did not pass the course (one of the referees failed the conditioning test, while the pair was clearly lacking consistency and cohesion during the matches due to the fact that its members live apart from one another, in different countries because of the war in UKR). It needs to be understood by the National Federations (NFs) that they must only send a referee pair to an EHF referee course if the referees are familiar with the Rules of the Game, speak English sufficiently and are well trained for the course, Mitrunen explained. Most of the courses are taking place on an annual basis, which allows NFs to fully prepare their referees and only send them once they are ready. The goal should be, being able to pass the course.

Each NF received a detailed report about their referees after both courses.

Bebetsos pointed out that due to the large number of parallel IHF events (including IHF candidate courses) running during the summer, several referee pairs were unavailable for EHF YAC events. In addition, three referee pairs withdrew their nomination on short-term for the M20 EURO in SLO due to injury. It was therefore challenging to appoint referee pairs for the EHF YAC competitions and some referee pairs, who had just passed the EHF candidates course in Drammen, were already nominated for YAC events, as there were not enough existing EHF pairs available during the summer.

5.3. YRP status and activities in 2024

A total of six courses took place during the past months:

- HUN – Veszprem, Balaton Cup (5 pairs: ESP, HUN, FRA, ROU, FAR)
- BIH – Brcko, Lokomotiva Cup (7 pairs: GER, GRE, HUN, MKD, SRB, SVK, SWE)
- CZE – Prague, Prague Cup (6 pairs: ITA, CZE, BIH, TUR, CRO, FRA)
- SWE – Gothenburg, European Open (11 pairs: NED, DEN, SWE, MNE, CRO, ROU, ITA, AZE, POR, IRL, NOR)
- HUN – Debrecen, EUSA Games (10 pairs: BIH, CRO, ESP, GER, HUN, KOS, MNE, SLO, SWE, UKR)
- GER – Sparkasse Cup Berlin was taking place parallel to the CC at the end of August with a total of 4 invited YR pairs (FRA, GER, LTU, SRB)

As for the next season 2024/25, EHF has started receiving invitations to stage YRP courses at various events (i.e. in Porec, CRO). All invitations will be evaluated by the EHF office.

5.4. New age limit for ending the international referee career

Earlier this year the IHF lifted the age limit for IHF referees from 50 to 55 years. The EHF follows this new approach, however, deals with it on a case-by-case basis by considering the individual situation of active referee pairs in a federation where the situation occurs. In general, the idea is to make sure that older pairs are not in the way of the development of younger pairs, especially of those who have potential.

Not all of the previously mentioned referee pairs (see 5.1.) who ended their career, reached the age limit, Bestilleiro reported. It is common that every four years after the Olympics, experienced

referee pairs end their career even though they have not reached the age limit yet, but their priorities in life have changed.

5.5. General review YAC competitions 2024

49 delegates and 77 referee pairs participated during the YAC summer tournaments:

- SWE – Gothenburg, W16 EHF European Open 2024 (9 delegates + 11 referee pairs)
- SLO – Celje, M20 EHF EURO 2024 (12 delegates + 14 referee pairs)
- KOS – Pristina, M20 EHF Championship 2024 (5 delegates + 8 referee pairs)
- MNE – Podgorica, M18 EHF EURO 2024 (12 delegates + 14 referee pairs)
- SVK – Hummene, M18 EHF Championship 2024 (5 delegates + 5 referee pairs)
- KOS – Pristina, M18 EHF Championship 2024 (4 delegates + 5 referee pairs)

As mentioned earlier, three referee pairs had to be replaced before the start of the M20 EHF EURO in SLO due to an injury. Bestilleiro explained that it was expected being difficult having enough referee pairs and delegates available for the summer tournaments. This was due to the increased number of teams during the EHF YAC competitions and the increased number of teams at IHF events.

All 77 referee pairs were tested in conditioning prior to the start of the event, and only five failed the test. In addition to this, all the nominated referees and delegates submitted rule, regulation, and English knowledge digital (online) tests with satisfactory results.

No major referee issues have been reported, though several delegates and office staff caught a virus during the M18 EHF EURO in MNE. One delegate was hospitalized for about two weeks and had to undergo surgery in MNE. The organising committee was very supportive and helpful during this period, Bebetos emphasized.

5.6. Women’s EHF EURO 2024 – Preparatory activities

At the beginning of July, the EHF Officials who were nominated for the Women’s EHF EURO 2024 had been announced publicly. In the meantime, it turned out that the referee pair from TUR, Pinar **Unlu Hatipoglu** / Mehtap **Simsek**, must be replaced as one of them got injured at the start of the summer and she will not recover on time. All remaining referees will undergo a fitness test during the Officials’ Preparatory Seminar for the EURO, which will be taking place in Vienna from 27 to 29 September.

The EHF will follow the IHF Officiating line for this event, which is the same as implemented during the 2024 Olympics. Bebetos further pointed out that all nominated referees and delegates will be briefed on this during the preparatory seminar for the EURO in Vienna at the end of September. All active TRC members will attend the seminar, too. Among others the following topics shall be covered during the seminar:

Togstad / Ehrmann-Wolf (TRC): Officiating line

Reibel / Sondors (TRC): Delegate preparation

Jaworski, Jakub / Babaroutsi, Irini: FitGood Pro – conditioning, nutrition

Boss, Jürgen: Mental coaching
Capela, Joao: Video Replay Manager
Birkelund, Daniel: Coaching

Glaser underlined the aim for the event which is to strengthen the knowledge of the participating EHF Officials and to build a strong officiating team for the event. Especially as several of the participating referee pairs have less experience at major handball tournaments compared to their counterparts at the Men's EURO, the seminar is considered necessary and beneficial. Compared to previous years the seminar has been moved from end of August to end of September to minimize the gap between the course and the start of the EURO.

Togstad and Bebetos will introduce the officiating line and the use of officiating technology at the EURO coaches' webinar (online).

5.7. Activities in referee education

Regular online courses were organized in the last season and will continue. Educational clips will be produced as a preparation for the Women's EURO.

It is currently under elaboration if courses shall also be organized for Champions League coaches ahead of the season. In addition to this it is being discussed, if a VR Responsible in each federation would be beneficial especially for the knowledge transport to the federations. Bebetos explained that a National VR Manager course would be staged on a strict attendance/practice/examination basis, using VOGO systems as well, and the respective licence will have a certain period of validity. The issue will be discussed further to see if it is feasible and beneficial or not.

As the EHF is continuously striving to improve its educational programs a consequence is to regularly update the list of experts.

5.8. Officiating technology – Preview 2024/25 season

The TV Referee Observer (TRO) turned out to be a very useful and successful position during selected matches of the knock-out stage of last season's men's and women's Champions League. Within 48 hours an online meeting took place among the referees and the TV referee observer, where the TRO evaluation was offered also using video clips from XPS Sideline. It is still the task of the delegate in the hall to observe the atmosphere around the referees in the hall.

VOGO VR systems are installed in the home arenas of the new clubs of the Champions League. Online education for the referees and delegates of the Champions League matches is planned in an effort to better implement and coordinate the use of the system at the EHF Champions League matches. Further, VOGO and the EHF Officiating Unit created an online application imitating the use of the system allowing the referees to practice at home on the proper and compact use during the matches.

The EHF Officiating Unit is planning the creation of a VR animation video that will be played on the cube in each arena, before the match, to explain spectators on the situations where the use of VR

is possible. A search for a production company and estimation of the production cost is undergoing. Once created, the video is ready to be played at the EHF EURO and Champions League arenas.

5.9. Conditioning program

The EHF is continuing its cooperation with FitGood Pro, the same service provider as for the IHF. FitGood Pro is continuously supervising a pool of EHF referees, but the results are also dependent on the feedback from the NFs concerning the shuttle run test. It is planned to integrate a new fitness test in the closer future, but potential cooperations with two German universities were not successful. Instead, Prof. Marco Cardinale from Aspetar (EHF Expert also) had been contacted for further recommendations. His proposal was instead of inventing an entire new test, to look into the FIFA Futsal Referee test, as those referee conditioning requirements are similar to the ones of handball. An alignment with the IHF is also a topic as it is considered as useful if both organizations use the same procedures.

As the fitness program is run in cooperation with the IHF and FitGood Pro, the costs for the Polar watches are split among the IHF and EHF. Several monitoring devices (Polar watches) will be obtained by the EHF and distributed to newcoming referees in the conditioning program.

5.10. Integrity education program

The 2-year Integrity program with Sportradar has been concluded. A total of 287 referees, 220 indoor and 67 beach referees have been certified.

Potentially the EHF will collaborate in the future again with Sportradar, in a program aiming to create “National Integrity Ambassadors” (train-the-trainer type) but nothing has been decided yet, Bebtos informed.

5.11. Media activities in Officiating

“The Final Whistle 3.0” has been a very successful campaign and shall continue throughout the Women’s EURO 2024. Each video exceeds 1,000,000 clicks within 12 hours from the moment posted in EHF’s social media channels. The social media audience is obviously very much interested in attending referee communication and interaction (mic’d up) during the matches.

5.12. Referee nominations for friendly matches

An increased tendency of referee pair nominations for international friendly matches is still being noticed. The respective numbers are indicative:

2021: 15 nominations

2022: 22 nominations

2023: 32 nominations

2024 (up to now): 34 nominations

The National Federations must be encouraged to request a nomination for their international friendlies by EHF, as this increases the integrity factor and image of their games on the one hand and providing considerable training base for the EHF referees on the other hand.

5.13. IHF matters

At the end of June, the IHF distributed the updated Rules of the Game, which have been implemented in EHF competitions from 01 July 2024. Bestilleiro highlighted that the cooperation with the IHF PRC is good and that after the IHF summer events he received respective reports about the referees from Europe.

5.14. Miscellaneous

Bebetsos informed that it is under discussion to print the last name of the referees who are refereeing at EHF EUROs in small letters on the referee's jersey. This is to show more recognition to the referees and to make them more visible on TV. He further added that this "policy" was already used by FIFA and UEFA in their last competitions (World Cup and EURO), while in Basketball every referee has a personal number instead and in Volleyball neither nor.

6. Delegates Matters

6.1. Status of delegates for the 2024/25 season

141 delegates (114 male and 27 female) are active for the new season. 7 experienced delegates retired after the last season due to the age limit. Sadly, an active EHF-Delegate, Shqipe Bajcinca-Brestovci (KOS), passed away after an illness in spring 2024.

6.2. General review YAC Competitions 2024

A precise report about the YAC events will follow in due course.

6.3. Activities and tools in delegate education

It is in the planning to organize an online course for delegates who regularly attend Champions League matches on topics related with the use of VR.

Furthermore, a new approach about the referee performance evaluation has been initiated. The EHF Officiating Unit produced and distributed the new EHF Referee Performance Evaluation Manual, a detailed and compact tool for a more precise and concrete evaluation of the referees. The "Use of VR" is the new item-to-be-evaluated in the Referee Performance Evaluation (RPE) form.

6.4. Status e-learning and testing

E-learning and testing activities are regularly carried out with the aim to make the Delegates better understand where they have weaknesses. This is then followed-up so that the overall level can be improved.

6.5. Preview Candidate Delegates' Course 2025

Glaser informed that another Candidate Delegates' course is planned for spring 2025, which is two years after the previous course. Details need to be clarified and the budget for this activity needs to be approved.

7. National Team Competitions – Qualifications

7.1. Review past competitions

Women’s EHF EURO 2024 Qualifiers (Phase 2)

The qualification group rounds have been played accordingly:

- rounds 1 and 2: 11 - 15 October 2023
- rounds 3 and 4: 28 February - 3 March 2024
- rounds 5 and 6: 3 -7 April 2024

24 teams qualified for the Women’s EHF EURO 2024, Heim reported. Directly qualified were 4 teams: NOR (defending champion), AUT, HUN and SUI as organisers. The remaining 20 teams are:

CRO, CZE, DEN, ESP, FAR, FRA, GER, ISL, MKD, MNE, NED, POL, POR, ROU, SLO, SRB, SVK, SWE, TUR, UKR

The EURO Cup has been played among the defending champion and the organisers:

1. NOR
2. HUN
3. SUI
4. AUT

2025 IHF Men’s World Championship Qualification Europe (Phase 2 Part 2)

Qualified nations as organisers

- CRO (11th of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)
- DEN (2nd of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)
- NOR (9th of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)

Qualified nations from the Men’s EHF EURO 2024

- EUROPE 1 FRA (1st of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)
- EUROPE 2 SWE (3rd of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)
- EUROPE 3 GER (4th of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)

Qualified nations from the Qualification Europe Phase 2 Part 2 matches

- EUROPE 4 HUN (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against LTU)
- EUROPE 5 SLO (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against SUI)
- EUROPE 6 POR (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against BIH)
- EUROPE 7 AUT (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against GEO)
- EUROPE 8 ISL (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against EST)
- EUROPE 9 NED (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against GRE)
- EUROPE 10 ESP (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against SRB)

- EUROPE 11 ITA (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against MNE)
- EUROPE 12 CZE (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against ROU)
- EUROPE 13 POL (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against SVK)
- EUROPE 14 MKD (Winner of a Phase 2 Part 2 match against FAR)

Substitute nations:

- 1 MNE (14th of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)
- 2 GEO (18th of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)
- 3 SRB (19th of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)
- 4 FAR (20th of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024)
- 5 SUI (21st of the Men’s EHF EURO 2024) – ‘wild card’ awarded by the IHF

7.2. 2025 WWCh GER/NED

The announcement was made in in June 2024. After the registration deadline on 19 July 2024, 36 nations had registered. 32 teams will play the final tournament, among them 14 will be from Europe. This number does not include the 2 organizers (GER/NED) neither the defending champion (FRA). Besides the 3 best ranked teams from the Women’s EHF EURO 2024 in AUT/HUN/SUI, which will qualify directly 11 places will still be available for the continent of Europe. The following countries will play Qualification Phase 2:
 NOR, DEN, SWE, MNE, ESP, HUN, SLO, ROU, CRO, CZE, POL, SRB, AUT, SUI, MKD, UKR, ISL, SVK, POR, TUR, FAR

18 from these 21 countries will participate in the Women’s EHF EURO 2024.

These countries will play Qualification Phase 1:

ITA, GRE, KOS, FIN, ISR, LUX, LTU, BIH, BUL, GBR, BEL, EST

The draw for the Qualification Europe Phase 1 to the 2025 IHF Women’s World Championship in GER / NED took place on 30 July 2024 in the EHF Headquarters in Vienna, AUT. Please find below the draw results and an overview. The right to organise the tournaments was also drawn, with GBR (group 1), BEL (group 2), EST (group 3), and BUL (group 4) given the first right to host their respective tournament.

Draw results for the qualification phase 1:

A geographical draw as done during Covid for the club competitions has been proposed to reduce the travel costs, but it was not confirmed. Therefore, the result of the draw was as follows:

In the future it is proposed to conduct a geographical draw only in National Team Competitions, if you cannot qualify for a final tournament like the World Championship or a EURO. It cannot only be implemented in one competition. Would need to be done in all. The CC members were in favour of this request.

ROW	ORGANISER	GROUP 1	GROUP 2	GROUP 3	GROUP 4
1	2	GRE	KOS	FIN	ITA
2	3	LTU	BIH	ISR	LUX
3	1	GBR	BEL	EST	BUL

Qualification Europe Phase 1

Several smaller NFs requested to play a Phase 1; Heim informed. The Qualification Europe Phase 1 for the 2025 IHF Women's World Championship will be played in a format of tournaments in 4 groups of 3 teams. The winners of groups 1 to 4 qualify for the Phase 2 play-off matches. The following playing period has been defined for the matches of Phase 1:

DAY	PERIOD
Friday – Sunday	25. – 27.10.2024

Alternative dates within the same week can be coordinated with the EHF.

Playing schedule Qualification Europe Phase 1:

MATCH DAY	ORG. ROW 3	ORG. ROW 1	ORG. ROW 2
1st match day	3 - 1	3 – 1	2 – 3
2nd match day	1 – 2	2 – 3	3 – 1
3rd match day	2 – 3	1 – 2	1 – 2

Qualification Europe Phase 2:

GER, NED, FRA and 3 best ranked teams from the Women's EHF EURO 2024 in AUT/HUN/SUI qualify directly for the 2025 IHF Women's World Championship in GER and NED. The 4 winners of the Qualification Europe Phase 1 and the 18 teams coming from the Women's EHF EURO 2024 will play in a KO-system (play-off matches) with first and second leg matches as follows:

ROUND:	DAY	DATES
1st leg	Wednesday – Thursday	09. – 10.04.2025
2nd leg	Saturday – Sunday	12. – 13.04.2025

The winners of the Qualification Europe Phase 2 matches will qualify for the final tournament of the 2025 Women's World Championship in GER and NED. The draw of the 2025 Women's World Championship Qualification Phase 2 matches is planned to take place on 15 December 2024 (final weekend of the Women's EHF EURO 2024) in Vienna.

7.3. 2026 Men's EHF EURO DEN/SWE/NOR and EURO Cup

24 teams will participate in the Men's EHF EURO 2026 Final Tournament. 32 teams will participate in the Men's EHF EURO 2026 Qualifiers – Phase 2. A total of 20 places are available at the Men's EHF EURO 2026 Final Tournament. DEN, SWE and NOR are directly qualified as organizers and FRA as defending champion.

Match schedule Qualifiers:

ROUND	DATE
ROUND 1	6/7 November 2024
ROUND 2	9/10 November 2024
ROUND 3	12/13 March 2025

ROUND 4	15/16 March 2025
ROUND 5	7/8 May 2025
ROUND 6	11 May 2025, 18:00 CEST (unified throw-off time*)

The 3 hosting federations DEN, SWE and NOR as well as the defending champion FRA will participate in the EHF EURO Cup. The EHF EURO Cup will be played within the periods planned for the Qualifiers.

EHF EURO Cup 2026 (according to the respective ranking):

GROUP A
FRA
DEN
SWE
NOR

The draw for the Men’s EHF EURO 2026 Qualifiers took place on 21 March 2024 during the Secretary General’s meeting in Copenhagen, DEN. In course of the draw also the Qualifiers Workshop took place. The draw result:

GROUP 1	GROUP 2	GROUP 3	GROUP 4	GROUP 5	GROUP 6	GROUP 7	GROUP 8
SLO	HUN	ISL	ESP	CRO	NED	GER	POR
MKD	MNE	GRE	SRB	CZE	FAR	AUT	POL
LTU	SVK	BIH	ITA	BEL	UKR	SUI	ROU
EST	FIN	GEO	LAT	LUX	KOS	TUR	ISR

7.4. 2026 Women’s EHF EURO and EURO Cup

Due to the fact that out of the 24 available places at the final tournament eight are participating in the EHF EURO Cup, 16 places remain for the teams playing in the Qualifiers. The Qualifiers will be played in two phases. In the first phase the lowest ranked teams of the respective ranking list will be competing for place(s) – maximum two based on the total number of teams registering for the Qualifiers. In phase two the pre-qualified teams based on the respective ranking list together with the team(s) from phase one will be competing for the 16 available places in the final tournament.

Phase 1 will be played preferably in a tournament format (round robin system), if this is feasible due to the number of registered teams. Alternatively, those matches may be played as Play-off matches. Phase 2 will be organised with 24 participating teams in six groups of four teams, each playing in a round robin format in six rounds. 12 teams will qualify, and the teams ranked first and second in each group of the Qualifiers after completion of all matches will qualify for the final tournament. To determine the remaining places (4) different options are currently under evaluation. This includes the comparison of the third ranked teams across all groups as it was in use for the last EUROs. Alternatively, a system is evaluated by defining the third ranked teams via matches.

The Qualifiers Draw is foreseen to take place on 20 March 2025 with the venue still to be decided.

Due to the fact that the EHF EURO 2026 will be hosted by 5 nations the playing format for the EHF EURO Cup needs to be adapted. Until now, the EHF EURO Cup was played with 4 teams only. Due to the five organising countries a playing system with altogether 8 teams where the 3 best ranked teams qualify out of the results of the EHF EURO 2024 will be implemented based on the EXEC decision in April 2024. The respective EXEC decision reads as follows: Besides the winner of the Women's EHF EURO 2024 and the 5 hosts, the 2nd and 3rd best ranked teams (excluding the hosts) at the Women's EHF EURO 2024 will play the EURO Cup. The Groups are set-up as follows:

Group 1:	Group 2:
• Defending Champion	• Silver Medalist
• Best ranked organizer*	• Bronze Medalist
• 2 nd ranked organizer*	• 3 rd ranked organizer*
• 5 th ranked organizer*	• 4 th ranked organizer*

*ranking amongst organizing federations (based on the preceding EHF EURO)

7.5. 2028 Men's EHF EURO ESP/POR/SUI Phase 1

The announcement of phase 1 was published in June 2024. Registered teams are BUL, CYP, GBR, MLT. Next step is to set-up the playing modalities once the respective information regarding the IHF Emerging Nations Championship is received from the IHF.

8. National Team Competitions – Final Tournaments

8.1. Report of YAC EHF events in 2024

- **W16 EHF European Open 2024 SWE**

Final Tournament:

Venue: Gothenburg, Sweden
 Time: 1 – 5 July, 2024
 Teams: 20
 Matches: 8 per team, 80 in total

Final result: 1. SUI, 2. GER, 3. HUN, 4. FRA, 5. SWE, 6. ESP, 7. NOR, 8. ISL, 9. NED, 10. POR, 11. CRO, 12. CZE, 13. POL, 14. SVK, 15. ROU, 16. FIN, 17. LTU, 18. TUR, 19. FAR, 20. CYP

No major issues have been reported. Mitrunen explained that it was very exhausting for the young girls as they had to play 8 matches within 5 days. It was the last edition in the younger age category (W16/M17). From 2025 it will be M19 and from 2026 W18, Riede informed.

- **M20 EHF EURO 2024 SLO**

Final Tournament:

Venue: Celje, Slovenia
 Time: 10 – 21 July, 2024
 Teams: 24

Matches: 8 per team, 96 in total

Final result: 1. ESP, 2. POR, 3. DEN, 4. GER, 5. SWE, 6. AUT, 7. ISL, 8. NOR, 9. MKD, 10. FRA, 11. CRO, 12. HUN, 13. SRB, 14. POL, 15. SLO, 16. ROU, 17. SUI, 18. FAR, 19. CZE, 20. ITA, 21. ISR, 22. UKR, 23. GRE, 24. MNE

Local transportation caused several issues due to ongoing road works. Throughout the tournament issues with the BENZ goals created problems and an analysis is still ongoing. Also, the mealtimes will have to be organized differently next time and the high temperatures in one of the halls was a problem due to the non-working of the air conditioning system.

- **M20 EHF Championship 2024 KOS**

Final Tournament:

Venue: Pristina, Kosovo
Time: 13 – 21 July 2024
Teams: 12
Matches: 5 per team, 30 in total

Final result: 1. SVK, 2. LAT, 3. FIN, 4. LUX, 5. EST, 6. TUR, 7. LTU, 8. KOS, 9. BEL, 10. GEO, 11. GBR, 12. BUL

No major issues have been reported, though 12 teams were a large number and since the matches were played with an alternating schedule, it was challenging for all parties involved. Mitrunen reported that not enough food was provided for the teams. Heim explained these issues must be reported directly to the Venue Manager on site so the issue can be solved.

Since during most of the events the missing or lacking air conditioning caused issues, it is planned to have pre-inspections done prior to confirming the bids. Currently and mostly due to a tight time-line procedure these visits are done after the awarding of the events, Heim informed.

- **M18 EHF EURO 2024 MNE**

Final Tournament:

Venue: Podgorica, Montenegro
Time: 7 – 18 August, 2024
Teams: 24
Matches: 8 per team, 96 in total

Final result: 1. SWE, 2. DEN, 3. HUN, 4. ISL, 5. GER, 6. SRB, 7. NOR, 8. ESP, 9. SLO, 10. POR, 11. SUI, 12. FRA, 13. CRO, 14. CZE, 15. FAR, 16. AUT, 17. ISR, 18. POL, 19. MKD, 20. GRE, 21. ITA, 22. ROU, 23. MNE, 24. UKR

During one of the matches the lights suddenly switched off and the game interrupted for a while, but the problem was solved by the Venue Managers. Otherwise, no major issues have been reported.

- **M18 EHF Championship I 2024 SVK**

Final Tournament:

Venue: Humenné, Slovakia
Time: 12 – 18 August 2024
Teams: 8
Matches: 5 per team, 20 in total

Final result: 1. BIH, 2. LAT, 3. TUR, 4. NED, 5. LTU, 6. EST, 7. SVK, 8. FIN

Matches had to be postponed on the final match day because of a slippery floor which had to be cleaned extensively. Also, the goal nets caused major issues, as they came off the post several times.

- **M18 EHF Championship II 2024 KOS**

Final Tournament:

Venue: Pristina, Kosovo
Time: 12 – 18 August 2024
Teams: 7
Matches: 4-5 per team, 15 in total

Final result: 1. KOS, 2. GEO, 3. BEL, 4. LIX, 5. BUL, 6. GBR, 7. AZE

No major issues have been reported.

- **Current YAC topics**

YAC ranking

Riede informed about the currently evaluated approach to use a ranking system covering a four year period instead of only 3 years as it is in use right now.

Qualified teams for the EYOF 2025

The qualified teams will be defined according to the respective rankings and results and will then be communicated to the EOC.

YAC EHF EURO playing schedule amendments

Following the learnings and experiences from the 2024 YAC EUROs, there are two potential playing schedule adaptations, which are currently being evaluated:

- Revised calculation to define the best 2nd and 3rd ranked teams
- Possibility to qualify all 2nd ranked teams to the Main Round

8.2. Report of additional EHF summer events 2024

- **EHF Masters POR**

This year's tournament in Paredes (POR) had again more teams compared to the tournament one year ago in FIN because of the lower costs overall for the participating teams.

Men +35 → 7 teams

Men +45 → 8 teams

Men +50 → 7 teams

Men +55 → 7 teams

Women +33 → 7 teams

Women +43 → 4 teams

The preparation of the 2025 event is in progress.

A similar tournament aimed on players of older ages is running in CRO during a similar time frame. It must be checked what kind of teams it attracts and if it might be seen as a 'competitor', Glaser noted.

- **EUSA Games in Debrecen HUN**

Mitrunen reported that the quality of matches was a lot better than the ones two years ago. She further expressed her concerns about the fact that the person from the OC who was in charge of indoor handball was also in charge of beach handball, which caused a big workload, and it was difficult for her to manage both events simultaneously.

As the quality of the matches was very high, it was tough matches for the referees, Bestilleiro added. At the EUSA Games there is no delegate foreseen at the table, therefore no direct person can support the referees during the matches, which should be changed in the future.

8.3. IHF competitions summer 2024

- **2024 WU20 IHF World Championship**

Final Tournament:

Venue: Skopje, North Macedonia

Time: 19 – 30 June 2024

Teams: 32

European teams: 16

European teams: CZE, DEN, ESP, FRA, GER, HUN, ISL, MKD, MNE, NED, NOR, POR, ROU, SRB, SUI, SWE

Final result: 1. FRA, 2. HUN, 3. NED, 4. DEN, 5. POR, 6. SWE, 7. ISL, 8. SUI, 9. GER, 10. NOR, 11. ROU, 12. MNE, 16. MKD, 17. ESP, 22. SRB, 25. CZE

- **2024 WU18 IHF World Championship**

Final Tournament:

Venue: Chuzhou, P.R. China
 Time: 14 – 25 August 2024
 Teams: 32
 European teams: 17
 European teams: AUT, CRO, CZE, DEN, ESP, FRA, GER, HUN, ISL, KOS, MNE, NED, NOR, ROU, SRB, SUI, SWE

Final result: 1. ESP, 2. DEN, 3. HUN, 4. FRA, 5. GER, 6. SRB, 7. CRO, 9. CZE, 10. NOR, 12. MNE, 13. SWE, 14. SUI, 16. NED, 17. ROU, 20. AUT, 23. KOS, 25. ISL

8.4. 2024 Women’s EHF EURO AUT/HUN/SUI

Müller reported that the throw-off times for the final tournament have been confirmed and the match schedule is attached hereto. At the current stage in total over 24.400 tickets have been sold including the reserved tickets. All match days in Basel involving Switzerland are sold out. The ticket sales of the second group have room for improvement. The ticket sales for the matches in Vienna are ok and the matches in Debrecen are catching up after a slower start.

The arrival venue for the EHF Officials has been set for Vienna for 24 November. As Vienna is a playing venue only as of the Main Round, there is no set-up venue available in Vienna for the Officials Conference. Unlike usual the Officials’ Conference will start on the day of arrival until 25 November. Officials travel to the assigned venues is scheduled for 26 November.

It has been agreed among the EHF, the organising committee (OC) of AUT and the OC of SUI that a second training hall will be made available for the teams. The draft version of the training schedule will be announced prior to the Heads of Delegations Conference and will be finalized afterwards taking the input of the participating teams into consideration.

Venue Set-up:

An early arena set-up is scheduled in Innsbruck, starting on 21/22 November, as there will be a test match between AUT and GER on 24 November 2024. The arena set-up in Basel will start at match day -3 at midnight or -4, depending on the event taking place prior to the EHF EURO in the arena in Basel. Whereas in Debrecen it will start at match day -4/-5. In Debrecen an additional stand set-up is required on the left short side that will be used for teams, medical staff, volunteers and EHF Officials/office staff. As the stand is only accessible from court level, no spectators will have access to the additional stand.

Test Matches:

A second test match is scheduled to take place in Leipzig/GER on 26 September 2024 in order to test the technical interfaces and in order to brief the arena entertainment director.

Prior to the start of the EHF EURO the test matches are planned as following:

26 November 2024, 21:00	Test Match in Innsbruck (Groups E+F)
27 November 2024, 21:00	Test Match in Innsbruck (Groups E+F)

27 November 2024, 21:00	Test Match in Basel (Groups C+D)
27 November 2024, 21:00	Test Match in Debrecen (Groups A+B)
4 December 2024, 21:00	Test Match in Vienna (MR Group II)

Technical Meetings:

27 November 2024, 14:00	Technical Meeting(s) I in Debrecen, Basel and Innsbruck (Groups A, C, E)
28 November 2024, 14:00	Technical Meeting(s) I in Debrecen, Basel and Innsbruck (Groups B, D, F)
27 November 2024, 14:00	Technical Meeting(s) I in Debrecen, Basel and Innsbruck (Groups A, C, E)
28 November 2024, 14:00	Technical Meeting(s) I in Debrecen, Basel and Innsbruck (Groups B, D, F)

Accommodation:

The team hotels have been organized as follows (to be confirmed at the Heads of Delegations Conference):

Team Hotels Basel:

- Marriott Messe → 3 Teams (FRA, ESP, POL, POR)
- Mövenpick → 3 Teams (DEN, CRO, FAR)
- Courtyard by Marriott in Pratteln → 1 Team (SUI)

Officials Hotel Basel:

- Dorint

Team Hotels Innsbruck:

- Alphotel Innsbruck → 3 Teams (ISL, UKR, SVK)
- Hotel Penz West → 2 Teams (NOR, SLO)
- Sporthotel Igls → 2 Teams (GER, NED)
- Sporthotel Hall → 1 Team (AUT)

Officials Hotel Innsbruck:

- AC Hotel by Marriott

Team Hotels Debrecen:

- Hotel Lycium → 3 Teams
- Hotel Aquaticum → 2 Teams (HUN as host team and CZE due to the delegation size)
- Mercure Hotel: 3 Teams

Officials Hotel Debrecen:

- Mercure Hotel?

Team Hotels Vienna:

- Hotel Renaissance → Team Hotel I (MR+FW)
- Hotel Plaza Premium Vienna → Team Hotel II (MR+FW)

Officials Hotel Vienna:

- Hotel Flemings (Officials Conference, Preliminary round (PR) + Main round (MR))
- EHF Hotel for EHF Representatives, Partners & Guests → Hotel Andaz am Belvedere (Final weekend (FW))

Transportation:

Venue to venue transportation is planned as follows:

- Vienna – Innsbruck via train (officials) /Westbahn
- Vienna – Basel via commercial flights (officials)
- Vienna – Debrecen via train to Budapest and bus/car to Debrecen (officials)
- Basel – Debrecen via charter flight (officials, teams)
- Basel – Vienna via commercial flight (officials, teams)
- Debrecen – a charter flight will be organized from Debrecen to Vienna

Ceremonies & Reception:

- It is planned to hold a short opening ceremony (max. 6 minutes including set-up and removal) at all three venues (Basel, Innsbruck, Debrecen).
- A mayor’s reception is taking place in Basel on 27 November 2024 at 18:00. All EHF officials are invited by the city of Basel to join the reception in the city hall.

Milestones:

- 26-29 August 2024 - TV & Partner Tour (Infront)
- 10 to 12 September - Head of Delegations Conference – virtual conference and site visit to all venues;
- 24 September 2024 – Coordination Meeting EHF-AHS
- 27-29 September 2024 – Refereeing/Delegates Seminar
- 22 October 2024 – Coordination Meeting EHF-AHS
- 24 October 2024 – Coaches Webinar (online)
- 24 November 2024 – Arrival Day EHF Officials in Vienna
- 24/25 November 2024 - Officials Conference in Vienna
- 26 November 2024 – EHF Officials travel to their assigned venue
- 28 November to 15 December 2024 – EURO 2024 Final Tournament

Side Events:

- 27 November 2024 Host City Reception in Basel
- 2-8 December 2024 Master Coach & Licensing Course in Vienna
- 10/11 December 2024 Women’s Grassroot Convention
- 13 to 15 December 2024 EHF Partner Weekend
- 14 December 2024 EHF Conference of Presidents/EO Congress
- 14 December 2024 Excellence Award / EURO Gala Dinner
- 15 December 2024 EHF House Opening

8.5. 2026 Men’s EHF EURO DEN/SWE/NOR

The preliminary round, main round and final weekend will be played in the following cities:

Preliminary Round:

Group A → Herning
Group B → Herning
Group C → Baerum Oslo
Group D → Baerum Oslo
Group E → Malmö
Group F → Kristanstad

Main Round:

Group I → Herning
Group II → Malmö

Final Weekend:

Herning

Certain teams will be seeded accordingly:

Group A → Herning	Germany (if qualified)
Group B → Herning	Denmark
Group C → Baerum Oslo	Norway
Group D → Baerum Oslo	Faroe Islands (if qualified)
Group E → Malmö	Sweden
Group F → Kristanstad	Iceland (if qualified)

The latest site visit in SWE and DEN took place between 02 and 05 September 2024. The city of Oslo will be visited in spring 2025. Pre-sale for tickets will start in SWE on 12 September 2024 with focus on the local market. DEN and NOR might start with their ticket sales after the Men's World Handball Championship 2025. The match schedule has been approved by all parties involved, throw-off times will follow. The Final Tournament draw is foreseen to take place on 15 May 2025. Exact time and place to be confirmed.

The hotel distribution is planned as follows:

Malmö:

- Arrival venue for EHF Officials
- Hotel Scandic St. Jörgen → EHF Officials Hotel (for the period of the Officials Conference)

Herning:

- Team Hotel I → Scandic Regina–Herning (4 teams for the PR, MR and FW)
- Team Hotel II → Radisson Papirfabrikken–Silkeborg (4 teams for the MR, 2 teams for the MR and FW)
- EHF Hotel I → Hotel Eyde (Representatives, Infront, Partners, guests)
- EHF Hotel II → DGI Huset (Office staff, media, officials, partner staff members, etc.)
- DEN OC proposed certain hotels as alternative guest hotels for the FW; topic to further discussed with the DEN OC

8.6. 2026 Women's EHF EURO POL/ROU/CZE/SVK/TUR

Preliminary Round:

- Group A Oradea/ROU

- Group B Cluj/ROU
- Group C Antalya/TUR
- Group D Brno/CZE
- Group E Katowice/POL
- Group F Bratislava/SVK

Main Round:

- MR I Cluj/ROU
- MR II Katowice/POL

Final Weekend:

- Katowice/POL

The playing scheduled has already been confirmed and the discussion regarding the throw-off times has been initiated. The time differences between the venues need to be taken into consideration. A first site-visit took place between 18-20 June in Brno, Bratislava, and Katowice. From 01 to 03 July Cluj-Napoca, Oradea and Antalya were checked.

“Aren Brno” hall is still under construction but shall be completed in May 2026. At the current stage the construction process is going well according to the CZE OC. It is planned that the 2026 Women's European Volleyball Championship will already play matches in the same venue in September 2026.

Since Katowice will be the main venue, also the Officials’ Conference will be held there. The Final Tournament draw is foreseen to be organized in POL in April/May 2026. The POL OC will provide a draft in due time. On 20 March 2025 the Qualifiers draw is planned to take place in Cluj Napoca in ROU or alternatively in Bucharest in ROU.

8.7. 2028 Men’s EHF EURO POR/ESP

A Kick-off meeting including the EHF and the OCs took place in Vienna, AUT on 19 June 2024. Most venues have not been confirmed yet, but the rounds will be split accordingly:

Preliminary Round:

ESP → 2 groups (Santiago Bernabeu Stadium/Madrid, Roig Arena/Valencia, Palacio de Deportes Jose Maria Martin/Malaga, Wizink Centre/Madrid)
POR → 2 groups (Altice Arena/Lisbon)
SUI → 2 groups (Hallenstadion/Zurich, Swiss Life Arena/Zurich, St. Jakobshalle/Basel, Vaudoise Arena/Lausanne)

Main Round:

ESP → 1 group (Madrid Wizink Centre)
POR → 1 group (Lisbon Altice Arena)

Final Weekend:

ESP → Madrid Wizink Centre

8.8. 2028 Women's EHF EURO NOR/DEN/SWE (NDS)

The event was awarded on 20 November 2021 and preparation will start in 2025.

8.9. EUROS 2030/2032

Bids were able to be submitted until June 2024. The EURO department is in the process of planning the pre-inspections. Several NFs submitted a bid:

2030 Men's EHF EURO (10 to 27 January 2030)

CRO	Zagreb (PR, MR, FW)
	Varaždin (PR, MR)
	Poreč (PR)
CZE / POL / DEN	Prague (PR, MR, FW)
	Katowice (PR, MR)
	Herning (PR)

2030 Women's EHF EURO (28 November to 15 December 2030)

TUR	Istanbul (PR, MR, FW)
	Antalya (PR, MR)
	Ankara (PR, MR)

2032 Men's EHF EURO (15 January to 01 February 2032)

CRO	Zagreb (PR, MR, FW)
	Varaždin (PR, MR)
	Poreč (PR)
GER / FRA	Clarification of conditions and details
TUR	Istanbul (PR, MR, FW)
	Antalya (PR, MR)
	Ankara (PR, MR)

2032 Women's EHF EURO (02 to 19 December 2032)

GER / DEN / POL	Berlin, Hamburg, Hannover, Kiel, Leipzig, Magdeburg (PR, MR, FW)
	Aalborg, Aarhus, Herning, Odense (PR, MR)
	Katowice (PR)

9. Additional Matters

9.1. International Calendar 2025/2024, 2025/2026; 2026/2027

Glaser reported that the 2025/26 calendar was provided to all Federations and further stake holders at the beginning of 2024. He further informed that there is a general understanding

among the stake holders that no major changes are foreseen for the various competition systems until the end of the season 2025/26. A first elaboration on the 2027/27 season was initiated EHF-internally.

9.2. EHF Anti-Doping Unit

Anti-Doping tests have been conducted throughout the summer as planned. The 2025 Anti-Doping budget is in the planning.

10. Miscellaneous

The CC members will be informed about the 2025 CC meeting dates as soon as they have been confirmed.

Djurkovic expressed his thanks to all CC Members for their participation and inputs and closed the meeting.

Vienna, 12 September 2024