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the President and the General Secretary

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2nd UEFA European Under-19 Futsal Championship 2021/22 - Entries

Dear Sir or Madam,

In anticipation of further consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic, last December the UEFA Executive Committee decided to postpone the start of the second UEFA European Under-19 Futsal Championship. The updated competition regulations adopted on 19 April acknowledge the youth development work at Futsal level carried out by UEFA member associations and maintain the initial age category for the 2020/21 edition in the renewed entry procedure. We expect the third championship to return to the standard cycle in 2022/23.

We are therefore pleased to invite all UEFA member associations to enter their national youth team for the 2021/22 UEFA European Under-19 Futsal Championship.

1. Entry form

Your association should complete the attached entry form and return it to the UEFA administration by **Monday, 7 June 2021** at the latest. Only entries submitted on the official form will be accepted.

2. Player eligibility

Players born on or after 1 January 2002 will be eligible to take part in the competition.

3. Competition structure

If more than 28 teams enter the competition, it will include a preliminary round, followed by a main round, then a final tournament with eight teams.

Preliminary and main rounds

The preliminary round is played as mini-tournaments of three or four teams, each hosted by one of the participating associations. The group winners, and if necessary, one or several best runners-up qualify for the main round. The seven best-ranked teams from that stage will then go on to the final tournament along with the host.

Final tournament

At its meeting on 19 April, the UEFA Executive Committee appointed Jaén in Spain to host the eight-team final tournament in September 2022. Spain consequently qualifies directly for this event.

Hosting mini-tournaments

Hosting a mini-tournament is a good way to develop and promote futsal in Europe and especially the youth sector of the game in the country as a whole but in particular in the region where the matches are held. In addition, hosting gives your association the opportunity to gain experience in organising international matches. Associations that wish to host a mini-tournament should fill in the corresponding section on the entry form.

The UEFA administration will appoint the mini-tournament hosts prior to the draw. If too many associations are interested in hosting these events, the UEFA administration will apply the criteria set out in article 20.02 of the competition regulations. If no association is interested in hosting a mini-tournament in a given group, those associations have to agree which of them will host by a set deadline following the draws. If the associations cannot reach an agreement, the UEFA administration will conduct a draw for this purpose. All associations must therefore be prepared to host a mini-tournament.

UEFA Return To Play Protocol

Please note that the UEFA Return to Play Protocol (version in force) and the specific operational provisions and guidelines for futsal matches will apply to all matches in the 2021/22 UEFA European Under-19 Futsal Championship until further notice. All participating associations will receive these documents in due course.

4. Dates & Draws

All matches must be played during the following periods:

Preliminary round

2–7 November 2021

Main round

15–20 March 2022

Even if the associations agree to stage these matches on other dates, all mini-tournaments must be completed by the end of the period reserved for that stage of the competition.

Final tournament

The UEFA Under-19 Futsal EURO will be staged between 3 and 10 September 2022.

Draws

The preliminary and main round draws will be held at UEFA's headquarters on **7 July**. The teams will be seeded in accordance with the new UEFA Under-19 national futsal team coefficient rankings.

Further information about the draw will be sent out in due course.

5. Competition regulations

The UEFA European Under-19 Futsal Championship Regulations 2021/22, approved by the UEFA Executive Committee on 19 April are available on the new platform <https://documents.uefa.com> as from Friday 14 May.

6. Financial provisions

Please refer to Chapter XI of the regulations for the details of the financial provisions for the competition.

The categorisation of the UEFA member associations for mini-tournament financing, including an explanation of the method can be found in enclosure.

We trust that we have provided you with all the details you need for this competition. However, should you need any further information, please contact the futsal unit at futsal@uefa.ch.

Yours faithfully,

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General Secretary

Enclosures

- 2021/22 UEFA European Under-19 Futsal Championship entry form
- 2021/22 Categorisation of UEFA member associations for mini-tournament financing

cc (with enclosures)

- UEFA Executive Committee
- UEFA Futsal & Beach Soccer Committee
- European members of the FIFA Council
- FIFA, Zurich