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TO UEFA MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

For the attention of
the President and the General Secretary

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Participation of clubs in the benefits of the UEFA Women's EURO 2022

Dear Sir or Madam,

For the first time in its history, UEFA is introducing a club benefits programme to reward clubs for releasing players for the final tournament of the UEFA European Women's Championship (UEFA Women's EURO) for their contribution to the success of the event and the growth of the women's game.

The UEFA Executive Committee, at its meeting in Chişinău on 22 September 2021, approved the total amount of €4.5 million for the club benefits programme, as well as the mechanism that will be applied for the distribution of the payments linked to the UEFA Women's EURO 2022.

The mechanism is in line with the well-established club benefits programme for the men's EURO, established in 2008, and has the following objectives in mind:

- To adequately reward European clubs for their contribution to the development of women's football and the success of the UEFA Women's EURO 2022;
- To ensure that distributed monies are used for development of the women's game;
- To fulfil strategic objectives outlined in UEFA's women's football strategy – Time for Action.

Distribution mechanism

A total of €4.5 million will be distributed among the clubs releasing the players for the UEFA Women's EURO 2022 final tournament.

A club's share of this amount is calculated based on:

- (i) the number of players selected for a national team that has qualified for UEFA Women's EURO 2022;

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- (ii) the number of days each player was at the final tournament, starting ten days before the first match of her national team and finishing the day after the national team's last match in the final tournament; and
 - (iii) a compensation rate of €500 per player per day.

Note that:

- Only players who were listed on the list of 23 players, completed online in the UEFA TIME portal in accordance with paragraph 42.02 of the competition regulations, will be taken into account;
- Payments are only made to clubs that belong to a UEFA member association. Therefore, players on the squad list of 23 players who are registered for an Ex-European club are not counted;
- No benefits can be allocated for players without a club.

Injured players: For a player included in the original squad list of 23 players who was injured and replaced before the first match of her national team, payment will only be made for the number of days the player was present during the ten days before the first match of her national team. For the player who replaced the injured player, payment will be made from the day of replacement until the day after the national team's last match in the final tournament.

In all cases, the clubs to benefit from these payments are those with which the players concerned were registered during the relevant release period. Note that should a player transfer from one club to another during the final tournament, including during the ten day preparation period, the amounts will be paid pro-rata to the two clubs concerned. For the avoidance of doubt, neither the national associations nor the players who were released to their national teams have any right or entitlement to these amounts, which the national associations are required to pass on to their clubs in full.

Payment procedure

In order to implement the aforementioned distribution mechanism, any club wishing to receive such payments will be required to confirm to UEFA its acceptance of and compliance with the principles established in the enclosed Club Application Form.

If applicable, associations are requested to:

- (i) immediately forward a copy of the enclosed Club Application Form to all clubs concerned;
- (ii) inform them that to be eligible to receive a share of these benefits, they must return this form, duly signed, to UEFA (with a copy to their national association) by 15 August 2022;
- (iii) confirm that the list of players for its matches of the UEFA Women's EURO 2022 (to be sent out in due time) is correct. The corresponding form (also to be sent out in due time) must be returned to UEFA by 16 September 2022, date following which the list is deemed to be approved.

Timings

After the end of the final tournament, the final amounts can be determined based on the actual participation of players in the final tournament.

The approval and payment process is foreseen to happen under the following schedule:

Timing	NA review and approval	Pay-outs
Tournament Conclusion	September 2022	Payments to NAs in Q4 2022

Should you require any additional information, please contact WomensA.NationalTeams@uefa.ch.

Yours faithfully,

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General Secretary

Enclosure

- Club Application Form (to be returned to UEFA)

cc (with enclosure)

- UEFA Executive Committee
- UEFA Women's Football Committee
- European members of the FIFA Council
- FIFA, Zurich