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To all UEFA Member Associations

For the attention of
the President and the General Secretary

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European Qualifiers 2022-24 – draw and fixture list procedures

Dear Sir or Madam,

The UEFA Executive Committee has approved the draw procedure of the UEFA EURO 2024 qualifying draw at its meeting of 20 September 2022. We hereby issue the draw procedure together with the overall rankings of the UEFA Nations League 2022/23 and the fixture list procedure.

1. UEFA EURO 2024 qualifying draw procedure

53 national associations participate in the qualifying competition. Germany as the organiser of the UEFA EURO 2024 final tournament is automatically qualified and therefore does not take part in the draw.
All Russian teams are currently suspended following the decision of the UEFA Executive Committee of 28 February 2022 which has further been confirmed by the Court of Arbitration for Sport on 15 July 2022. Russia is therefore not included in the UEFA European Football Championship 2022-24 qualifying draw

The 53 teams that participate in the qualifying draw on 9 October 2022 in Frankfurt are seeded based on the overall rankings of the UEFA Nations League 2022/23 and will be allocated to ten qualification groups (seven groups of five teams and three groups of six teams) according to the enclosed procedure (Enclosure 1).

The draw principles are unchanged compared to the previous edition. The specific adaptations are highlighted here below:

- The four finalists of the UEFA Nations League are drawn into groups of five teams, to allow them to participate in the finals in June 2023;
- Five country pairs are declared as prohibited. Those pairings must not be drawn into the same group: Armenia/Azerbaijan, Belarus/Ukraine, Gibraltar/Spain, Kosovo/Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo/Serbia;
- A maximum of two winter venues may be drawn into the same group: Belarus, Estonia, Faroe Islands, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania and Norway;
- Several country pairings have been declared to represent an excessive travel distance (see enclosed procedure for details). A maximum of one such pair may be drawn into the same group.

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The official invitation to the draw event on 9 October 2022 in Frankfurt was sent for your attention mid-August.

2. Fixture list procedure for the European Qualifiers 2022-24 group stage

After the draw, the UEFA administration will determine the EQ group stage schedule based on the fixture list procedure (Enclosure 2). The principles and processes that guide the UEFA administration when deciding on the group stage fixtures are the same as previously used for the European Qualifiers and most recently for the 2022/23 UEFA Nations League.

As announced in CL 31/2022, UEFA's member associations were invited to submit home match restrictions on dates when they are unable to host matches. A summary of those requests is included in the fixture list procedure. We take this opportunity to remind the associations that UEFA cannot give any preliminary guarantee that their home match restriction requests can be fully or partially respected.

The fixture list will be distributed via email to the NA representatives after the draw, 30 minutes before being shared with the media and the general public.

At the end of the EQ group stage, the ten group winners and the ten group runners-up qualify directly for the final tournament. The remaining three spots will be decided via the play-offs to be played in March 2024 (see articles 16-17 of the competition regulations).

We are looking forward to meeting you soon at the qualifying draw which will determine your teams' path to UEFA EURO 2024.

Yours faithfully,

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Theodore Theodoridis
General Secretary

Enclosures
- Enclosure 1: UEFA EURO 2024 qualifying draw procedure
- Enclosure 2: Overall rankings of the UEFA Nations League 2022/23
- Enclosure 3: Fixture list procedure for the European Qualifiers 2022-24 group stage

cc (with enclosures)
- UEFA Executive Committee
- UEFA National Team Competitions Committee
- European members of the FIFA Council
- FIFA, Zurich