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## Seedings for UEFA EURO 2008™ Final Draw

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## Netherlands join title-holders Greece in top pot

UEFA today confirmed the seedings that will be used for the Final Draw of the UEFA European Football Championship 2008™ which will take place at the Culture and Convention Centre (KKL) in Lucerne, Switzerland on 2 December 2007 at 12:00 CET.

The host associations, Switzerland and Austria, are automatically qualified and will be allocated into position A1 and B1 respectively. The other 14 teams will be split into four pots. Pot 1 comprises the reigning European champions Greece, as well as the team with the highest coefficient, the Netherlands.

The other teams have been placed in the three remaining pots based on the coefficient they have obtained in the qualifying competition for the FIFA World Cup 2006™ and for UEFA EURO 2008™.

Pot 1	Pot 2	Pot 3	Pot 4
Greece	Croatia	Romania	Poland
Netherlands	Italy	Germany	France
	Czech Republic	Portugal	Turkey
	Sweden	Spain	Russia

## Draw procedure

The draw starts with Pot 1 in order to fill the first position in each group.

A first ball is drawn from Pot 1 and the drawn team is placed into the first position of Group C. Thereafter, the second ball from Pot 1 is drawn and the respective team is placed into the first position of Group D.

The draw then continues with Pot 4 and ends with Pot 2.

- A ball is drawn from Pot 4 and placed into Group A. In order to determine the position of the team within the group and the fixtures order, a ball is drawn from Pot a (either A2, A3 or A4). Moving to Group B, another team is drawn from Pot 4. Once again, to determine the position of the team within the group, a ball is drawn from Pot b (either B2, B3 or B4). The same procedure is repeated for Groups C and D (in consecutive order) until all balls from Pot 4 have been drawn and positioned in each group.
- The same procedure is followed for Pot 3.
- Finally, the same procedure is followed for Pot 2.

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
A1 - Switzerland	B1 – Austria	C1	D1
A2	B2	C2	D2
A3	B3	C3	D3
A4	B4	C4	D4

The list of coefficients can be found attached.

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## **UEFA EURO 2008™: Final ranking and Pot allocation**

taking into account the qualifying competitions of the FIFA World Cup 2006™ (without Play-off matches) and UEFA EURO 2008™

	FIFA World Cup 2006™			UEFA EURO 2008™				Combined							
Country	Points	Matches	Goals	Against	Coeff.	Points	Matches	Goals	Against	Av. goal dif.	Coeff.	Points	Matches	Coeff.	
Greece*		12	15	9	1.750			25	10	1.25	2.583	_	24	2.167	POT 1
1 Netherlands	32	12	27	3	2.667		12	15	5	0.83	2.167	58	24	2.417	. 0
2 Croatia	24	10	21	5	2.400	29	12	28	8	1.67	2.417	53	22	2.409	
3 Italy	23	10	17	8	2.300	29	12	22	9	1.08	2.417	52	22	2.364	POT 2
4 Czech Republic	27	12	35	12	2.250	29	12	27	5	1.83	2.417	56	24	2.333	PO1 2
5 Sweden	24	10	30	4	2.400	26	12	23	9	1.17	2.167	50	22	2.273	
6 Romania	25	12	20	10	2.083	29	12	26	7	1.58	2.417	54	24	2.250	
7 Germany**						27	12	35	7	2.33	2.250	27	12	2.250	POT 3
8 Portugal	30	12	35	5	2.500	27	14	24	10	1.00	1.929	57	26	2.192	FOI 3
9 Spain	20	10	19	3	2.000	28	12	23	8	1.25	2.333	48	22	2.182	
10 Poland	24	10	27	9	2.400	28	14	24	12	0.86	2.000	52	24	2.167	
11 France	20	10	14	2	2.000	26	12	25	5	1.67	2.167	46	22	2.091	POT 4
12 Turkey	23	12	23	9	1.917	24	12	25	11	1.17	2.000	47	24	1.958	PO1 4
13 Russia	23	12	23	12	1.917	24	12	18	7	0.92	2.000	47	24	1.958	
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Switzerland***	18	10	18	7	1.800							18	10	1.800	
Austria***	15	10	15	12	1.500							15	10	1.500	

<sup>\*</sup> top seeded as reigning European Champions \*\*Host of FIFA World Cup 2006™

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Hosts of UEFA EURO 2008TM - Switzerland automatically placed as A1, Austria as B1