

# Real Madrid CF v Olympiacos CFP

Santiago Bernabéu - Madrid  
Wednesday, 28 September 2005 - 20:45 (CET)  
Group stage - Group F - Matchday 2



## Match officials

<b>Referee</b>	Markus Merk (GER)
<b>Assistant referees</b>	Christian Schräer (GER), Jan-Hendrik Salver (GER)
<b>Fourth official</b>	Jochen Drees (GER)
<b>UEFA Delegate</b>	Sándor Berzi (HUN)
<b>UEFA Referee observer</b>	George Brian Smith (SCO)

## Match background

### Madrid and Olympiacos prepared

Two clubs who suffered shock defeats in their opening Group F games will both be anxious to return to winning ways at the Santiago Bernabéu. Real Madrid CF, who conceded three first-half goals in their 3-0 defeat at Olympique Lyonnais, now welcome Olympiacos CFP, who went down 3-1 at home to Rosenborg BK in their first group match.

**First away win:** Though any visit to the Bernabéu stadium is a daunting prospect, Olympiacos will still be anxious to secure their first away win in the UEFA Champions League. In 25 previous games in the competition, the Greek side have lost 21, drawn four and conceded 62 goals.

**Previous meetings:** Madrid have an unbeaten record to protect against Olympiacos from their previous meetings in UEFA club competition. The clubs have twice been drawn together in the Champions League group stages, with the Spanish club winning both games at home and drawing twice in Greece.

**First meeting:** In their 1997/98 campaign, Madrid, the eventual winners, met Olympiacos in Group D. On Matchday 3, Madrid won 5-1 at home with two goals from Davor Šuker, and further goals from Fernando Morientes, Víctor and Roberto Carlos. Defender Nikos Dabizas had given Olympiacos a short-lived lead.

Madrid then managed a 0-0 away draw in the following round of matches to ensure qualification for the knockout stage, while Olympiacos finished in third place behind runners-up Rosenborg BK, who are also in this group.

**Second meeting:** Two seasons later, Madrid again faced Olympiacos, this time in the first group stage. In the opening Group E match, the teams fought out a 3-3 draw in Greece with Giovanni (2) and Zlatko Zahovic on the mark for the home side, and Sávio, Roberto Carlos and Raúl González scoring for Madrid.

Madrid then consolidated their group leadership with a 3-0 win at the Santiago Bernabéu stadium with Raúl and Roberto Carlos again on target, their goals sandwiched either side of a Morientes effort.

**Athens draw:** But after four straight wins in their opening four home games against Greek opposition in UEFA club competition and a goals tally of 16-1, Madrid were held on the last occasion that they faced a Greek club at home. In the first group stage of the 2002/03 Champions League, AEK Athens FC recovered for a 2-2 draw after Steve McManaman had scored twice for a 2-0 lead. AEK achieved the remarkable feat of drawing all six group games.

**Poor record in Spain:** This will be the tenth occasion that Olympiacos have played in Spain. Their previous visits have resulted in two draws and seven defeats. Draws were twice recorded at RC Deportivo La Coruña in Champions League group games – in 2001/02 when Olympiacos came away with a 2-2 draw and, on the last visit last season, when the game finished scoreless.

## MILESTONES

**Madrid's poor starts:** Madrid started their tenth season of Champions League football with a heavy defeat in Lyon on Matchday 1. It was the same 3-0 scoreline as Madrid suffered on Matchday 1 last season at Bayer 04 Leverkusen.



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**End of Madrid run:** Last season was their first defeat on Matchday 1 since 1995, a 1-0 loss at AFC Ajax, and ended an unbeaten run of five wins and two draws from seven 'opening night' games.

**Madrid's record of success:** Madrid are the most successful club in the history of the Champions League with three titles (1998, 2000, 2002) from nine campaigns, having previously won the European Champion Clubs' Cup on six occasions.

**Raúl top scorer:** Madrid captain Raúl is the all-time leading scorer in the competition with 49 goals.

**Biggest win:** Madrid's biggest win is 6-0 margin recorded at the Santiago Bernabéu against Belgian side KRC Genk on 25 September 2002. The heaviest loss came at FC Bayern München on 8 March 2000 when they lost 4-1 during the second group stage. Bayern had also scored four times in a 4-2 victory at the Bernabéu the previous week.

**Scoreless draws:** Madrid have drawn 0-0 only four times in the Champions League: against Olympiacos CFP on 5 November 1997, BV Borussia Dortmund on 15 April 1998, Manchester United FC on 4 April 2000 and FK Partizan on 4 November 2003. All were away fixtures except the result in Manchester.

**Ninth season:** This is the ninth Champions League season for Olympiacos, and only once, in 1998/99, have they progressed to the knockout stages.

**No away wins:** Olympiacos have failed to win any of their away games to date in the Champions League. In 25 games they have drawn four times and lost 21, with a goal difference of 15-62.

**Rare away draws:** The last time Olympiacos avoided defeat on their travels in the competition was on Matchday 1 at RC Deportivo La Coruña last season when they drew 0-0. Prior to that, their previous point away from home came on 18 September 2001, when they drew 2-2, again at Deportivo.

**Scoring streak:** Olympiacos have scored once in each of their last six Champions League games.

### All-time statistics

#### Head-to-head record

Date	Competition	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
22.10.1997	UCL	GS	Real Madrid - Olympiacos	5-1	Madrid
05.11.1997	UCL	GS	Olympiacos - Real Madrid	0-0	Athens
15.09.1999	UCL	GS1	Olympiacos - Real Madrid	3-3	Athens
26.10.1999	UCL	GS1	Real Madrid - Olympiacos	3-0	Madrid

#### Overall record

Real Madrid CF	Pld: 4, W: 2, D: 2, L: 0, GS: 11, GA: 4
Olympiacos CFP	Pld: 4, W: 0, D: 2, L: 2, GS: 4, GA: 11

#### Home team's record versus clubs from the away team's country

Date	Competition	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
18.09.1985	UCUP	R1	AEK - Real Madrid	1-0	Athens
02.10.1985	UCUP	R1	Real Madrid - AEK	5-0	Madrid
22.10.1997	UCL	GS	Real Madrid - Olympiacos	5-1	Madrid
05.11.1997	UCL	GS	Olympiacos - Real Madrid	0-0	Athens
15.09.1999	UCL	GS1	Olympiacos - Real Madrid	3-3	Athens
26.10.1999	UCL	GS1	Real Madrid - Olympiacos	3-0	Madrid
04.12.2001	UCL	GS2	Real Madrid - Panathinaikos	3-0	Madrid
20.03.2002	UCL	GS2	Panathinaikos - Real Madrid	2-2	Athens
02.10.2002	UCL	GS1	AEK - Real Madrid	3-3	Athens
22.10.2002	UCL	GS1	Real Madrid - AEK	2-2	Madrid

#### Overall record

Real Madrid CF	Pld: 10, W: 4, D: 5, L: 1, GS: 26, GA: 12
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#### Away team's record versus clubs from the home team's country

Date	Competition	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
04.03.1993	UCWC	QF	Olympiacos - Atlético	1-1	Athens
18.03.1993	UCWC	QF	Atlético - Olympiacos	3-1	Madrid
19.10.1993	UCUP	R2	Tenerife - Olympiacos	2-1	Santa Cruz de Tenerife
04.11.1993	UCUP	R2	Olympiacos - Tenerife	4-3	Athens
17.10.1995	UCUP	R2	Sevilla - Olympiacos	1-0	Sevilla
31.10.1995	UCUP	R2	Olympiacos - Sevilla	2-1	Athens
22.10.1997	UCL	GS	Real Madrid - Olympiacos	5-1	Madrid
05.11.1997	UCL	GS	Olympiacos - Real Madrid	0-0	Athens
15.09.1999	UCL	GS1	Olympiacos - Real Madrid	3-3	Athens
26.10.1999	UCL	GS1	Real Madrid - Olympiacos	3-0	Madrid
12.09.2000	UCL	GS1	Valencia - Olympiacos	2-1	Valencia
25.10.2000	UCL	GS1	Olympiacos - Valencia	1-0	Athens
18.09.2001	UCL	GS1	Deportivo - Olympiacos	2-2	La Coruna
31.10.2001	UCL	GS1	Olympiacos - Deportivo	1-1	Athens

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17.09.2003	UCL	GS1	Real Sociedad - Olympiacos	1-0	San Sebastian
25.11.2003	UCL	GS1	Olympiacos - Real Sociedad	2-2	Athens
15.09.2004	UCL	GS	Deportivo - Olympiacos	0-0	La Coruna
23.11.2004	UCL	GS	Olympiacos - Deportivo	1-0	Athens

**Overall record**

Olympiacos CFP Pld: 18, W: 4, D: 7, L: 7, GS: 21, GA: 30

**Record in Europe****Real Madrid CF**

	<b>Pld</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
European Champions Clubs' Cup / UEFA Champions League	284	165	50	69	626	316
UEFA Cup Winners' Cup	31	16	10	5	57	24
UEFA Cup	64	33	10	21	111	75
UEFA Super Cup	3	1	0	2	4	4
UEFA Intertoto Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	382	215	70	97	798	419

**Olympiacos CFP**

	<b>Pld</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
European Champions Clubs' Cup / UEFA Champions League	83	25	18	40	98	138
UEFA Cup Winners' Cup	33	14	6	13	43	47
UEFA Cup	44	20	6	18	57	68
UEFA Super Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
UEFA Intertoto Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	160	59	30	71	198	253

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Players list

Real Madrid CF

Num	Player	DoB	Pos	Nat	Current Season				All-time			
					UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
					Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>												
1	Iker Casillas	20.05.81	GK	ESP	1	0	5	0	67	0	71	0
13	Diego López	03.11.81	GK	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Jordi Codina	27.04.82	GK	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	Francisco Casilla	02.10.86	GK	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Defenders</b>												
2	Michel Salgado	22.10.75	DF	ESP	1	0	5	0	75	1	85	1
3	Roberto Carlos	10.04.73	DF	BRA	1	0	5	0	95	16	103	19
4	Sergio Ramos	30.03.86	DF	ESP	1	0	3	0	1	0	7	1
6	Iván Helguera	28.03.75	DF	ESP	1	0	4	0	75	14	79	14
15	Raúl Bravo	14.04.81	DF	ESP	0	0	1	0	19	0	19	0
18	Jonathan Woodgate	22.01.80	DF	ENG	0	0	1	0	7	0	27	0
21	Carlos Diogo	18.07.83	DF	URU	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
22	Francisco Pavón	09.01.80	DF	ESP	0	0	3	0	33	1	35	1
24	Álvaro Mejía	18.01.82	DF	ESP	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0
26	Álvaro Arbeloa	17.01.83	DF	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33	Miguel Palencia	02.01.84	DF	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Midfielders</b>												
5	Zinedine Zidane	23.06.72	MD	FRA	0	0	1	0	78	14	118	23
8	Julio César Baptista	01.10.81	MD	BRA	1	0	4	1	1	0	9	5
12	Pablo García	11.05.77	MD	URU	1	0	1	0	2	0	4	0
14	Guti	31.10.76	MD	ESP	1	0	4	1	70	13	74	15
16	Thomas Gravesen	11.03.76	MD	DEN	1	0	4	0	3	0	9	0
23	David Beckham	02.05.75	MD	ENG	1	0	5	0	97	16	101	16
28	Rubén de la Red	05.06.85	MD	ESP	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
29	José Manuel Jurado	29.06.86	MD	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	Borja Valero	12.01.85	MD	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
38	Marcos Tebar	07.02.86	MD	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40	Adrián Martín Cardona	10.10.82	MD	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Forwards</b>												
7	Raúl González	27.06.77	FW	ESP	1	0	5	3	98	49	104	51
9	Ronaldo	22.09.76	FW	BRA	0	0	5	4	36	14	67	35
10	Robinho	25.01.84	FW	BRA	1	0	5	1	1	0	1	0
27	Roberto Soldado	27.05.85	FW	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31	David Barral	10.05.83	FW	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Javi García	08.02.87	FW	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	Javier Ángel Balboa	13.05.85	FW	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	Ernesto Gómez	26.04.85	FW	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
41	Álvaro Negredo Sánchez	20.08.85	FW	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Coach:** Vanderlei Luxemburgo (BRA)

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					UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
					Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>												
29	Theodoros Dougeroglou	16.02.85	GK	GRE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33	Erwin Lemmens	12.05.76	GK	BEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Kleopas Giannou	04.05.82	GK	GRE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
71	Antonios Nikopolidis	14.01.71	GK	GRE	1	0	4	0	41	0	62	0
<b>Defenders</b>												
12	Gabriel Schürer	16.08.71	DF	ESP	0	0	0	0	13	2	15	2
14	Dimitrios Mavrogenidis	23.12.76	DF	GRE	1	0	4	0	38	3	49	3
19	Athanasios Kostoulas	24.03.76	DF	GRE	1	0	4	1	8	0	12	0
22	Erol Bulut	30.01.75	DF	TUR	0	0	0	0	5	0	14	0
25	Spyridon Vallas	26.08.81	DF	GRE	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0
26	Christos Lisgaras	12.02.86	DF	GRE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Anastasios Pantos	05.05.76	DF	GRE	0	0	1	0	10	0	13	0
32	Georgios Anatolakis	16.03.74	DF	GRE	1	0	3	0	48	1	55	1
<b>Midfielders</b>												
1	Pantelis Kafes	24.06.78	MD	GRE	1	0	4	1	12	0	36	1
5	Mihalis Kapsis	18.10.73	MD	GRE	0	0	1	0	14	0	26	0
6	Ieroklis Stolidis	02.02.75	MD	GRE	1	0	3	2	12	3	28	5
7	Nery Alberto Castillo	13.06.84	MD	URU	0	0	3	1	7	2	10	2
8	Miloš Marić	05.03.82	MD	SCG	0	0	0	0	4	0	8	0
10	Rivaldo	19.04.72	MD	BRA	1	0	3	0	66	28	79	34
11	Predrag Djordjević	04.08.72	MD	SCG	1	0	4	3	49	11	59	14
15	Yaya Touré	13.05.83	MD	CIV	1	0	3	0	1	0	5	1
17	Ioannis Taralidis	17.05.81	MD	GRE	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	0
21	Grigorios Georgatos	31.10.72	MD	GRE	1	0	4	0	35	4	47	5
27	Zhora Hovhannisyán	16.04.87	MD	ARM	0	0	0	0	6	1	6	1
<b>Forwards</b>												
9	Ioannis Okkas	11.02.77	FW	CYP	1	0	3	0	26	6	58	13
18	D'Acol	18.07.86	FW	BRA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Dani García	22.12.74	FW	ESP	1	0	2	0	21	4	40	13
23	Mihalis Konstantinou	19.02.78	FW	CYP	1	0	4	1	28	9	44	14
40	Haruna Babangida	01.10.82	FW	NGA	1	0	4	1	1	0	1	0

**Coach:** Trond Sollied (NOR)

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**Group F**

Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Olympique Lyonnais	1	1	0	0	3	0	3
Rosenborg BK	1	1	0	0	3	1	3
Olympiacos CFP	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Real Madrid CF	1	0	0	1	0	3	0


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**Pld** Matches played **W** Won **D** Drawn **L** Lost **GF** Goals for **GA** Goals against **Pts** Points

Lyon	3 - 0	Real Madrid
Olympiacos	1 - 3	Rosenborg
Rosenborg	28/09	Lyon
Real Madrid	28/09	Olympiacos
Real Madrid	19/10	Rosenborg
Lyon	19/10	Olympiacos
Rosenborg	01/11	Real Madrid
Olympiacos	01/11	Lyon
Real Madrid	23/11	Lyon
Rosenborg	23/11	Olympiacos
Lyon	06/12	Rosenborg
Olympiacos	06/12	Real Madrid

## Booking List - 2005

### Group F

Qualification phases	Group Stage 1 - Matchdays						
	Y or R	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>ROSENBERG BK</b>							
JOHNSEN Espen	Y						
<b>OLYMPIQUE LYONNAIS</b>							
BERTHOD Jérémy	Y						
DIARRA Mahamdou	Y						
<b>REAL MADRID CF</b>							
BECKHAM David	Y						
PABLO GARCÍA	Y						
SALGADO Miguel	Y						
RONALDO Nazario da Lima							
<b>OLYMPIACOS CFP</b>							

Y Booked R sent off  suspension ### suspension for at least 1 match \* misses next match if booked

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Line-ups

Real Madrid CF

Num. Player	QF1		QF2		QF3		Group Phase						KN		QF		SF		
	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	MD1	MD2	MD3	MD4	MD5	MD6	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	
<b>Goalkeepers</b>																			
1	Iker Casillas	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Jordi Codina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Diego López	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	Francisco Casilla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Defenders</b>																			
3	Roberto Carlos	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Michel Salgado	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Jonathan Woodgate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	Raúl Bravo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Iván Helguera	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Francisco Pavón	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Álvaro Arbeloa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33	Miguel Palencia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	Álvaro Mejía	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Sergio Ramos	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Carlos Diogo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Midfielders</b>																			
5	Zinedine Zidane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	David Beckham	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Guti	0	0	0	0	0	0	29(+)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Thomas Gravesen	0	0	0	0	0	0	61(-)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Pablo García	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	Borja Valero	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	José Manuel Jurado	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
38	Marcos Tebar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Julio César Baptista	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Rubén de la Red	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40	Adrián Martín Cardona	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Forwards</b>																			
9	Ronaldo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Raúl González	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	Roberto Soldado	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	Ernesto Gómez	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Javi García	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31	David Barral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Robinho	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
41	Álvaro Negredo Sánchez	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	Javier Ángel Balboa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

(+) Player In (-) Player Out (+/-) Player In/Out

Line-ups

**Olympiacos CFP**

Num.	Player	QF1		QF2		QF3		Group Phase						KN		QF		SF		
		1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	MD1	MD2	MD3	MD4	MD5	MD6	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	F
<b>Goalkeepers</b>																				
71	Antonios Nikopolidis	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33	Erwin Lemmens	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Kleopas Giannou	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	Theodoros Dougeroglou	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Defenders</b>																				
19	Athanasios Kostoulas	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	Georgios Anatolakis	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Dimitrios Mavrogenidis	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Erol Bulut	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Gabriel Schürer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Spyridon Vallas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Christos Lisgaras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Anastasios Pantos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Midfielders</b>																				
5	Mihalis Kapsis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Ieroklis Stoltidis	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Grigorios Georgatos	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	Pantelis Kafes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0(+)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Predrag Djordjević	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Rivaldo	0	0	0	0	0	0	87(-)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Ioannis Taralidis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Nery Alberto Castillo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	Zhora Hovhannisyan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Miloš Marić	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	Yaya Touré	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Forwards</b>																				
20	Dani García	0	0	0	0	0	0	3(+)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Ioannis Okkas	0	0	0	0	0	0	10(+)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Mihalis Konstantinou	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40	Haruna Babangida	0	0	0	0	0	0	80(-)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	D'Acol	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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## Referee

**Markus Merk****Nationality:** GER**Date of birth:** 15.03.1962

Markus Merk has a wealth of world and European experience behind him, which stood him in good stead for further assignments at UEFA EURO 2004™ - including the final.

**Career:** Merk was born in Kaiserslautern on 15 March 1962, and he is still based in the city. He has been a referee since his teens, made his German Bundesliga bow in 1988 and came onto the FIFA international list in 1992. Merk is well-known for his work away from the football pitch in aid of humanitarian causes. He was instrumental in a project to help children enjoy a better life on the Indian sub-continent, setting up a special village and school facilities for the under-privileged local youngsters in the area of the city of Trichy, launching agricultural projects and taking care of medical health in the immediate region. In addition, the German referee was a EURO 2004 ambassador for the UEFA/International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) campaign to highlight the plight of children in war, along with colleagues Pierluigi Collina, Anders Frisk and Luboš Michel. Before the final tournament, Merk travelled to Sierra Leone on a field trip to experience the ICRC's activities for himself.

**1992:** His first major international tournament appearance came at the Olympic Games in Barcelona, and in the same year he officiated his first UEFA Champions League match.

**2000-2003:** The dentist from south-western Germany has been trusted with the biggest refereeing tasks by UEFA. Last year, he was appointed for the UEFA Champions League final between Juventus FC and AC Milan at Old Trafford, Manchester, and refereed the UEFA EURO 2000™ semi-final between the Netherlands and Italy in Amsterdam. Merk won the UEFA Fair Play prize for his display in Manchester in letting the teams play rather than adopting an over-officious attitude.

**2003/04:** Merk officiated at six matches in the UEFA Champions League and two fixtures in the UEFA EURO 2004™ qualifying round. At the UEFA EURO 2004™ finals, he had already taken charge of France's win against England and Denmark's draw with Sweden when he was selected to referee the final between Portugal and Greece in Lisbon.

**2004/05:** Merk refereed six UEFA Champions League matches and three World Cup qualifying matches.

**UEFA Champions League matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match**

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
28.09.1994	UCL	GS	AEK - Ajax	1-2	Athens
05.03.1997	UCL	QF	Ajax - Atlético	1-1	Amsterdam
22.10.1997	UCL	GS	Dynamo Kyiv - Barcelona	3-0	Kiev
25.11.1998	UCL	GS	Internazionale - Real Madrid	3-1	Milan
17.03.1999	UCL	QF	Olympiacos - Juventus	1-1	Athens
11.08.1999	UCL	QR3	H. Haifa - Valencia	0-2	Haifa
29.09.1999	UCL	GS1	Barcelona - Arsenal	1-1	Barcelona
26.10.1999	UCL	GS1	Real Madrid - Olympiacos	3-0	Madrid
01.03.2000	UCL	GS2	Fiorentina - Valencia	1-0	Florence
05.04.2000	UCL	QF	Chelsea - Barcelona	3-1	London
13.09.2000	UCL	GS1	Barcelona - Leeds	4-0	Barcelona
06.12.2000	UCL	GS2	Panathinaikos - Valencia	0-0	Athens
31.10.2001	UCL	GS1	Olympiacos - Deportivo	1-1	Athens
05.12.2001	UCL	GS2	Barcelona - Galatasaray	2-2	Barcelona
19.02.2002	UCL	GS2	Real Madrid - Porto	1-0	Madrid

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10.04.2002	UCL	QF	Man. United - Deportivo	3-2	Manchester
17.09.2002	UCL	GS1	Roma - Real Madrid	0-3	Rome
09.04.2003	UCL	QF	Internazionale - Valencia	1-0	Milan
22.10.2003	UCL	GS1	Ajax - Celta	1-0	Amsterdam
21.04.2004	UCL	SF	Porto - Deportivo	0-0	Porto
14.09.2004	UCL	GS	Celtic - Barcelona	1-3	Glasgow
03.11.2004	UCL	GS	Olympiacos - Monaco	1-0	Athens
09.03.2005	UCL	1/8	Juventus - Real Madrid	2-0	Turin

**UEFA Champions League Other matches**

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
30.09.1992	UCL	R1	Žalgiris - PSV	0-2	Vilnius
24.08.1994	UCL	QR	Servette - Steaua	1-1	Geneva
02.11.1994	UCL	GS	Anderlecht - Hajduk	0-0	Brussels
07.08.1996	UCL	QR	Rangers - Alania	3-1	Glasgow
11.09.1996	UCL	GS	Juventus - Man. United	1-0	Turin
16.09.1998	UCL	GS	Juventus - Galatasaray	2-2	Turin
04.11.1998	UCL	GS	Dinamo Zagreb - Porto	3-1	Zagreb
26.09.2000	UCL	GS1	PSV - Man. United	3-1	Eindhoven
17.10.2000	UCL	GS1	Rangers - Galatasaray	0-0	Glasgow
27.08.2002	UCL	QR3	Fenerbahçe - Feyenoord	0-2	Istanbul
23.10.2002	UCL	GS1	Dynamo Kyiv - Feyenoord	2-0	Kiev
10.12.2002	UCL	GS2	Ajax - Roma	2-1	Amsterdam
25.02.2003	UCL	GS2	Juventus - Man. United	0-3	Turin
28.05.2003	UCL	F	Juventus - Milan	0-0*(2-3)	Manchester
13.08.2003	UCL	QR3	Galatasaray - CSKA Sofia	3-0	Istanbul
26.11.2003	UCL	GS1	Lazio - Beşiktaş	1-1	Rome
10.03.2004	UCL	1/8	Milan - Sparta	4-1	Milan
06.04.2004	UCL	QF	Arsenal - Chelsea	1-2	London
25.08.2004	UCL	QR3	Man. United - Dinamo Bucuresti	3-0	Manchester
07.12.2004	UCL	GS	PSG - CSKA Moskva	1-3	Paris
12.04.2005	UCL	QF	Internazionale - Milan	0-3	Milan
24.08.2005	UCL	QR3	Ajax - Brøndby	3-1	Amsterdam

**Other matches**

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
22.04.1992	U21	QR	Belgium - Cyprus	3-0	Mechelen
23.09.1992	WC	QR	Poland - Turkey	1-0	Poznan
15.09.1993	UCUP	R1	Brøndby - Dundee United	2-0	Brøndby
03.11.1993	UCWC	R2	Aberdeen - Torino	1-2	Aberdeen
23.03.1994	U21	QF	Portugal - Poland	2-0	Coimbra
16.03.1995	UCWC	QF	Zaragoza - Feyenoord	2-0	Zaragoza
11.06.1995	EURO	PR	Rep. of Ireland - Austria	1-3	Dublin
22.08.1995	UCUP	PR	Osijek - Slovan	0-2	Zagreb
12.09.1995	UCUP	R1	Sevilla - Botev	2-0	Sevilla
17.10.1995	UCUP	R2	Lyon - Lazio	2-1	Lyon

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15.11.1995	EURO	PR	Russia - Finland	3-1	Moscow
04.04.1996	UCWC	SF	Deportivo - PSG	0-1	La Coruna
13.11.1996	WC	QR	Spain - Slovakia	4-1	Santa Cruz de Tenerife
30.04.1997	WC	QR	Norway - Finland	1-1	Oslo
14.05.1997	UCWC	F	Barcelona - PSG	1-0	Rotterdam
10.09.1997	WC	QR	Sweden - Latvia	1-0	Solna
30.09.1997	UCUP	R1	Lazio - Guimaraes	2-1	Rome
09.12.1997	UCUP	R3	Atlético - Dinamo Zagreb	1-0	Madrid
19.03.1998	UCWC	QF	Lokomotiv Moskva - AEK	2-1	Moscow
31.03.1998	UCUP	SF	Internazionale - Spartak Moskva	2-1	Milan
25.08.1998	UCUP	QR2	PAOK - Rangers	0-0	Thessalonika
05.09.1998	EURO	PR	Ukraine - Russia	3-2	Kiev
31.03.1999	EURO	PR	Poland - Sweden	0-1	Chorzow
20.04.1999	UCUP	SF	Bologna - Marseille	1-1	Bologna
04.09.1999	EURO	PR	Norway - Greece	1-0	Oslo
09.12.1999	UCUP	R3	Benfica - Celta	1-1	Lisbon
16.03.2000	UCUP	QF	Leeds - Slavia	3-0	Leeds
10.06.2000	EURO	GS - FT	Belgium - Sweden	2-1	Brussels
18.06.2000	EURO	GS - FT	Slovenia - Spain	1-2	Amsterdam
29.06.2000	EURO	SF	Italy - Netherlands	0-0*(3-1)	Amsterdam
11.10.2000	WC	QR	Iceland - Northern Ireland	1-0	Reykjavik
15.02.2001	UCUP	R4	Roma - Liverpool	0-2	Rome
15.03.2001	UCUP	QF	Celta - Barcelona	3-2	Vigo
02.06.2001	WC	QR	Denmark - Czech Republic	2-1	Copenhagen
14.03.2002	UCUP	QF	Internazionale - Valencia	1-1	Milan
09.06.2002	WC	GS - FT	Japan - Russia	1-0	Yokohama
07.09.2002	EURO	QR	Greece - Spain	0-2	Athens
20.03.2003	UCUP	QF	Liverpool - Celtic	0-2	Liverpool
07.06.2003	EURO	QR	Hungary - Latvia	3-1	Budapest
06.09.2003	EURO	QR	Italy - Wales	4-0	Milan
15.11.2003	EURO	P-O	Croatia - Slovenia	1-1	Zagreb
13.06.2004	EURO	GS - FT	France - England	2-1	Lisbon
22.06.2004	EURO	GS - FT	Denmark - Sweden	2-2	Porto
04.07.2004	EURO	F	Portugal - Greece	0-1	Lisbon
08.09.2004	WC	QR	Netherlands - Czech Republic	2-0	Amsterdam
30.03.2005	WC	QR	Israel - France	1-1	Tel-Aviv
04.06.2005	WC	QR	Turkey - Greece	0-0	Istanbul

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## Domestic News

### Madrid and rivals make merry

(Sunday, 25 September 2005)

All four sides in UEFA Champions League Group F go into Wednesday's Matchday 2 games in confident mood, after claiming weekend victories without a single goal being conceded between them.

#### Deportivo Alavés SAD 0-3 Real Madrid CF

Ronaldo, who has one match left to serve of a European ban for his sending off in last season's first knockout round defeat by Juventus FC, scored two second-half goals and Guti added a late third as Madrid continued their resurgence with a comfortable win at Alavés on Sunday. The Matchday 1 defeat by Olympique Lyonnais came in the midst of a three-match losing streak for Vanderlei Luxemburgo's side, but they returned to winning ways on Thursday, Raúl González registering twice in a 3-1 triumph against Athletic Club Bilbao.

Robinho also netted at the Bernabéu, but dropped to the bench on Sunday to make way for Guti. Sergio Ramos and Iván Helguera returned from suspension and a groin injury respectively, replacing Francisco Pavón and Jonathan Woodgate. The England defender was banned after a debut to forget against Athletic, in which he scored an own goal and was subsequently red-carded.

Luxemburgo lauded his team's spirit afterwards, but singled out Ronaldo for special praise. "This was a great victory for us and I am especially pleased for Ronaldo," he said. "In football, it is always the talented players - those that have quality - that end up making the difference. Having said that, to beat any team by three goals you also need a set of players who not only graft hard but are also prepared to work collectively as one."

#### Olympiacos CFP 2-0 Akrotiris FC

Greek champions Olympiacos extended their winning start to the Alpha Ethniki season with a fourth victory at home to promoted Akrotiris, and are yet to concede a goal having scored 12.

In front of an empty Georgios Karaiskakis stadium - the match was played behind closed doors due to a ban imposed on Olympiacos for crowd trouble last term - the Greek champions took control in the first 45 minutes, Predrag Djordjević opening the scoring 24 minutes in with a powerful left-foot shot. Mihalīs Konstantinou doubled the lead when he headed his first goal for the club four minutes later from Djordjević's free-kick. Akrotiris had two chances through Lucas De Francesco on 14 and 82 minutes, but both times Olympiacos centre-back Athanasios Kostoulas cleared off the line.

Ahead of their trip to Madrid, coach Trond Sollied decided to rest two key players - defender Georgios Anatolakis and defensive midfielder Ieroklis Stoltidis. Their places in the starting lineup were taken by Mihalīs Kapsis and Pantelis Kafes respectively.

"The match was not that good, but we deserved to win because we had more chances to score," Sollied said. "I am satisfied only with the performance of Kostoulas and another player I shall not name. The rest should go and watch the game on television and see the mistakes they made."

#### FC Nantes Atlantique 0-1 Olympique Lyonnais

Lyon stretched their advantage at the top of the French league to four points after winning 1-0 at Nantes on Sunday. However, the champions were less than convincing, and had goalkeeper Grégory Coupet to thank for keeping Nantes at bay. The French international saved a penalty from Nicolas Savinaud and made other key saves, notably from Mamadou Diallo.

Two substitutes combined to create the winning goal ten minutes from time, as Fred headed in Florent Malouda's free-kick. Defender Lamine Diatta saw red for a second booking in the final minute. Coach Gérard Houllier rested midfielder Juninho Pernambucano and winger Hatem Ben Arfa, while full-back Jérémy Berthod was suspended and left-back Eric Abidal is out until mid-October with a foot injury. Mali midfielder Mahamadou Diarra was absent for the second game running with a thigh problem and only has a slight chance of playing in midweek.

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"At the break I asked my team-mates whether their minds were already on Rosenborg [BK]," said Coupet. "We were very lucky to reach half-time at 0-0. We have produced better football in training than tonight. We have a lot to fear from Rosenborg's commitment if we don't improve."

Nevertheless, it was a return to winning ways for Lyon after the 1-1 home draw with RC Lens on Thursday, in which Portuguese midfielder Tiago scored his first goal since joining from Chelsea FC. However, Adama Coulibaly's strike for Lens ended Lyon's perfect home record this season.

#### **Rosenborg BK 6-0 Odd Grenland**

Rosenborg eased their relegation worries after a comprehensive win against an in-form Odd side who had come into the game on the back of six wins in seven previous matches. But defensive duo Robbie Russell and Miika Koppinen were ruled out with knee injuries and are doubts for Wednesday's visit of Lyon.

Vidar Riseth put the Norwegian champions ahead from the penalty spot on six minutes, before Espen Ruud scored an own goal 26 minutes later. Rosenborg showed their form of old after the interval, adding to their tally through Daniel Braaten, Øyvind Storflo, Alexander Ødegaard and Roar Strand.

"We finally got the breaks we deserved in the league," said relieved coach Per-Mathias Høggmo. "The players did the club proud with their performance. The key to this win was our solid defensive showing. We caught them on the break several times and that gave us the chances and, ultimately, the goals."

### **Madrid fall to third defeat**

(Sunday, 18 September 2005)

Real Madrid CF and Rosenborg BK both suffered demoralising away defeats, while Olympique Lyonnais came from behind to earn a share of the spoils. The team that make up Group F, Olympiacos CFP, showed them how it is done though, easing to a 3-0 win at Kallithea FC.

#### **RCD Espanyol 1-0 Real Madrid CF**

Madrid's woeful start to the season continued in Barcelona on Sunday as a Daniel Jarque header midway through the second half condemned them to a third defeat in eight days. Madrid found Espanyol goalkeeper Carlos Kameni in sublime form and when Robinho did finally find a way past the obdurate Cameroonian international, he was denied by the crossbar. Iván De la Peña also hit the woodwork at the other end before his deep cross was met by the head of Jarque on 68 minutes.

Madrid found themselves further at a loss when Sergio Ramos and then Julio César Baptista were ordered off, the latter receiving a direct red card for a challenge on Jonathan in the dying minutes, and could not find a way back into the game. The loss follows defeats by RC Celta de Vigo and Olympique Lyonnais, and Madrid will hope Zinedine Zidane can make a hasty recovery from the groin strain that continues to rule him out.

Vanderlei Luxemburgo said: "We had a few chances but their goalkeeper stopped everything we threw at him and played a great match. Espanyol were determined to hit us on the counterattack. I'm not looking for excuses because I felt we did enough to win but unfortunately it wasn't to be."

#### **Molde FK 4-1 Rosenborg BK**

Rosenborg are deep in relegation trouble in the Norwegian Eliteserien after a record sixth league defeat in a row. Coach Per-Mathias Høggmo said: "Our league form has been like the X-Files. No one can quite believe it. Once again, the marginal incidents did not go our way." Since he took over the team, he has led them to only one win - the 3-1 success against Olympiacos in Athens.

Daniel Berg Hestad gave Molde the lead on two minutes with an exquisite lob, and the match was more or less over as a contest just before half-time. Mikael Dorsin was adjudged to have saved a shot on the goalline with his hand. The result was a red card for Dorsin, and a 2-0 scoreline from the penalty spot courtesy of Matej Mavric.

Rosenborg fought valiantly after the break, and they had a glimmer of hope when Ståle Stensaas conjured a free-kick goal on 51 minutes. The excitement was killed by Molde striker Rob Friend on 70 minutes, who headed home a Dag Roar Ørsal cross. Petter Rudi scored the last goal of the game three minutes later, converting one-on-one with Rosenborg goalkeeper Espen Johnsen.

Rosenborg were still without Christer Basma, Miika Koppinen and Robbie Russell in defence, while Thorstein Helstad was suspended for the Molde game. Rosenborg have won each of the last 13 domestic championships, but now have just 21 points from the same number of league games.

#### FC Girondins de Bordeaux 1-1 **Olympique Lyonnais**

Four days after a comprehensive 3-0 win against Real Madrid CF, Lyon were brought down to earth in a keenly-contested 1-1 draw at FC Girondins de Bordeaux. Lyon remain French league leaders with five wins and two draws from their first seven games.

Vladimir Šmicer, a European champion last season with Liverpool FC, opened the scoring in the seventh minute, drilling a low cross-shot into the Lyon net from the edge of the box. Substitute Sylvain Wiltord took just two minutes to find the net after coming on, firing an equaliser just after the hour mark. The former Bordeaux man connected with Anthony Réveillère's cross from the right to beat Ulrich Ramé.

"We were under pressure in the first half and came back in the second thanks to our fighting spirit", said Lyon coach Gérard Houllier, who launched Wiltord, Tiago and Fred in an ambitious triple substitution on 62 minutes. "I gambled and it paid off," he said.

Captain Claudio Caçapa was rested, as were defensive midfielder Benoît Pedretti and strikers Pierre-Alain Frau and Hatem Ben Arfa. Defender Eric Abidal is still out with a long-term ankle injury.

#### Kallithea FC 0-3 **Olympiacos CFP**

Olympiacos left it late before three goals gave them a comfortable-looking victory over strugglers Kallithea. Coach Trond Sollied had a full squad to choose from, but decided on a public show of faith in the eleven who started Tuesday's 3-1 UEFA Champions League defeat by Rosenborg.

However, a fatigued-looking Olympiacos side struggled to open up their opponents and were vulnerable to Kallithea's counterattacking play. And 71 minutes were on the clock when the breakthrough came, as defender Kristo Telkinski attempted to clear a Grigorios Georgatos cross but succeeded only in putting into his own net.

Predrag Djordjevic doubled the lead six minutes later with a powerful left-footed shot, and Nery Alberto Castillo completed the scoring in added time with a fine solo effort. The result leaves Olympiacos with maximum points from three matches, with ten goals scored and none conceded.

Left-back Grigorios Georgatos said: "It was difficult for us to get past Kallithea's defensive line. We were not good today and we still had our minds on the match against Rosenborg. We let our fans down and it's up to us to try and improve both our play and our results."

Domestic league details

Real Madrid CF (Primera División)

Date	Opponent	Res	Lineup
25.09.2005	v Alavés (A)	3-0	Casillas, Michel Salgado, Sergio Ramos, Helguera, Roberto Carlos, Guti, Pablo García, Beckham (Diogo 85), Baptista (Gravesen 79), Raúl (Robinho 72), Ronaldo
22.09.2005	v Athletic (H)	3-1	Casillas, Michel Salgado, Roberto Carlos, Woodgate, Pavón, Pablo García, Raúl (De la Red 82), Gravesen (Guti 46), Beckham, Ronaldo (Raúl Bravo 69), Robinho
18.09.2005	v Espanyol (A)	0-1	Casillas, Michel Salgado, Roberto Carlos, Sergio Ramos, Helguera, Baptista, Pablo García (Guti 59), Beckham, Raúl, Ronaldo, Robinho

Date	Opponent	Res	Goalscorers
28.08.2005	v Cádiz (A)	2-1	4' Ronaldo, 85' Raul
10.09.2005	v Celta (H)	2-3	37' Ronaldo, 44' Julio Baptista
18.09.2005	v Espanyol (A)	0-1	
22.09.2005	v Athletic (H)	3-1	52' Robinho, 64' Gonzalez, 68' Gonzalez
25.09.2005	v Alavés (A)	3-0	59' Ronaldo, 83' Ronaldo, 90' Guti
02.10.2005	v Mallorca (H)		
16.10.2005	v Atlético (A)		
23.10.2005	v Valencia (H)		
30.10.2005	v Betis (A)		
06.11.2005	v Zaragoza (H)		
09.11.2005	v Deportivo (A)		
20.11.2005	v Barcelona (H)		
27.11.2005	v Real Sociedad (A)		
04.12.2005	v Getafe (H)		
11.12.2005	v Málaga (A)		

Rank	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	RC Celta de Vigo	5	4	0	1	9	5	12
2	Getafe CF	5	3	2	0	9	5	11
3	Real Madrid CF	5	3	0	2	10	6	9
4	Valencia CF	5	2	3	0	9	7	9
5	RC Deportivo La Coruña	5	2	3	0	6	4	9
6	CA Osasuna	5	3	0	2	6	5	9
7	FC Barcelona	5	2	2	1	9	5	8
8	Real Zaragoza	5	1	4	0	6	4	7
9	Málaga CF	5	2	1	2	7	6	7
10	Real Racing Club Santander	5	2	1	2	2	2	7
11	RCD Espanyol	5	2	0	3	4	6	6
12	Real Sociedad de Fútbol	5	2	0	3	8	13	6
13	Athletic Club Bilbao	5	1	2	2	6	6	5
14	Villarreal CF	5	1	2	2	6	7	5
15	Sevilla FC	5	1	2	2	3	4	5
16	Cádiz CF	5	1	2	2	3	5	5
17	Real Betis Balompié	5	1	2	2	3	6	5
18	Club Atlético de Madrid	5	1	1	3	4	6	4
19	RCD Mallorca	5	1	1	3	7	10	4
20	Deportivo Alavés SAD	5	0	2	3	4	9	2

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**Domestic league details**

**Olympiacos CFP (Ethniki Kategoria)**

Date	Opponent	Res	Lineup
24.09.2005	v Akratitos (H)	2-0	Nikopolidis, Kafes, Kapsis, Okkas (Babangida 55), Rivaldo, Djordjević (Castillo 85), Mavrogenidis, Touré, Kostoulas, Georgatos, Konstantinou (Dani García 55)
17.09.2005	v Kallithea (A)	3-0	Nikopolidis, Djordjević, Mavrogenidis, Kostoulas, Anatolakis, Stoltidis, Rivaldo (Kafes 58), Touré, Georgatos, Konstantinou (Castillo 84), Babangida (Okkas 58)
10.09.2005	v Panionios (H)	10-0	Nikopolidis, Mavrogenidis (Pantos 68), Kostoulas, Anatolakis, Kafes, Stoltidis, Djordjević (Castillo 82), Taralidis, Georgatos, Konstantinou (Dani García 76), Babangida

Date	Opponent	Res	Goalscorers
28.08.2005	v Panathinaikos (A)	2-0	35' Stoltidis, 87' Djordjevic
10.09.2005	v Panionios (H)	5-0	25' Kafes, 46' Stoltidis, 55' Kostoulas, 59' Taralidis, 76' Mbmbangita
17.09.2005	v Kallithea (A)	3-0	71' Telkinski, 77' Djordjevic, 90' Castillo
24.09.2005	v Akratitos (H)	2-0	24' Djordjevic, 28' Konstantinou
02.10.2005	v AEK (A)		
16.10.2005	v PAOK (H)		
23.10.2005	v OFI (A)		
30.10.2005	v Kalamarias (A)		
06.11.2005	v Xanthi (H)		
20.11.2005	v Atromitos (A)		
27.11.2005	v Iraklis (H)		
04.12.2005	v Egaleo (A)		
11.12.2005	v Larissa (H)		
18.12.2005	v Levadiakos (H)		

Rank	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Olympiacos CFP	4	4	0	0	12	0	12
2	Skoda Xanthi FC	4	3	1	0	5	1	10
3	AEK Athens FC	4	2	2	0	4	1	8
4	Ionikos FC	4	1	3	0	7	6	6
5	Atromitos FC	3	1	2	0	6	2	5
6	Larissa FC	4	1	2	1	3	2	5
7	PAOK FC	4	1	2	1	4	3	5
8	Panathinaikos FC	4	1	2	1	4	3	5
9	Egaleo FC	4	1	2	1	3	4	5
10	Akratitos FC	4	1	1	2	3	4	4
11	Apollon Kalamarias FC	3	1	1	1	3	4	4
12	Iraklis FC	4	1	1	2	2	5	4
13	Levadiakos FC	4	0	3	1	2	3	3
14	Panionios NFC	4	0	2	2	4	12	2
15	Kallithea FC	4	0	1	3	2	8	1
16	OFI Crete FC	4	0	1	3	2	8	1

## Competition overview

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How the UEFA Champions League works...

The UEFA Champions League is UEFA's most prestigious club competition. It was originally created as the European Champion Clubs' Cup for the 1955/56 season, before its format and name were changed in 1992.

Real Madrid CF have been the most successful side in the UEFA Champions League, winning the competition three times. They are also the most successful side overall with nine triumphs, followed by six for AC Milan and five for current champions Liverpool FC.

The Champions League is open to each national association's domestic champions, as well as clubs who finish just behind them in their respective domestic championship. The number of clubs that can be entered by an association and their entry point in the competition depends on the association's position in UEFA's coefficient ranking list.

Since its inception in 1992/93, the Champions League has continued to evolve, maintaining a mixture of round-robin group matches as well as its traditional knockout format. The current format was introduced in 2003/04. After three qualifying rounds, 32 teams contest the group stage, divided into eight groups of four. The group winners and runners-up advance to the knockout stage, the eight third-placed teams move into the UEFA Cup third round, and the eight fourth-placed teams are eliminated.

A draw determines who each of the 16 clubs will play in the first knockout stage, with ties decided over two matches on a home and away basis. The club that scores the greater aggregate of goals advances, or in the event of both teams scoring the same number of goals, the team which scores more away goals.

If the away-goals rule proves inconclusive, extra time of two periods of 15 minutes is played after the second match. If during extra time both teams score the same number of goals, away goals count double (ie the visiting team advances). If no goals are scored during extra time, the winner is decided by penalty kicks. The two teams that advance from the knockout round contest the final, held as a single match in May.

The European Champion Clubs' Cup was a purely knockout competition until the format was changed in 1992/93 with the inception of the Champions League. That year the competition began with three knockout rounds with the winners advancing to a group stage involving two sets of four clubs playing home and away. The two group winners contested the final. A similar format was used the following season, with the addition of a two-legged semi-final stage involving the top two clubs from both groups.

The competition expanded further for the 1994/95 season with one preliminary round required before the clubs divided into four groups of four clubs. The top two clubs in each group advanced to the knockout stage, which this time began at the quarter-final stage. The 1997/98 season saw another phase of expansion. Two qualifying rounds were introduced and the group stage expanded to six groups of four clubs each. The six group winners and the two best runners-up advanced to the knockout stages.

An additional qualifying round was introduced for the 1999/2000 season to generate two group stages, firstly with 32 teams - eight groups of four - who played six matches apiece to reduce the competition to 16 teams for the second group stage, with the eight third-placed teams moving to the UEFA Cup third round. At the end of the second group stage, eight teams remained to contest the knockout stage.

## Notices

### Higher Champions League revenue

UEFA has estimated that the gross budgeted income for the 2005/06 UEFA Champions League will be €598m (CHF930m) - higher than the revenue obtained last season.

#### Use within European football

Based on those amounts, €453m would go to the 32 clubs, including €22.5m for the professional leagues of the participating associations, and €145m to UEFA for European football. The net amount of €430m (€453m in revenue less €22.5m for the professional leagues of the participating associations) available to the clubs will be split into a fixed amount of €206m – starting bonuses, performance bonuses, match bonuses), and €206m for the so-called TV market pool (distributed proportionally to the income from the TV contracts of each country). A surplus of €18.6m is expected for this year's competition.

#### Club payments

Each of the 32 clubs involved in the Champions League group stage will receive a starting fee of €1.6m. In addition, they will receive a bonus of €321,000 per match. Performance bonuses will involve €321,000 for a win and €161,000 for a draw in the group stage.

#### Winners' reward

The 16 teams playing in the first knockout round will receive €1.6m each, the eight quarter-finalists €1.9m each and the four semi-finalists €2.6m. The Champions League winners will receive €6.4m, and the runners-up €3.9m.

#### Total minimum amount

This means that a total minimum amount of €3.5m per club is guaranteed for the group stage. A club could receive, at best, up to €18m, not counting the TV market pool share and gate receipts.

#### Solidarity amounts

Solidarity payments to European associations, leagues and clubs are expected to total around €75m. Some €22.5m will go to European leagues represented in the Champions League, while between €6.4m and €11.6m will be distributed among the European leagues not represented in the competition. The solidarity contributions are, among other things, intended for investment in club youth development programmes.

### Record-breaking night for uefa.com

The official UEFA website, uefa.com, kicked off the UEFA Champions League group stage with a record of its own, registering 11.7 million page views and 682,000 visits, as the competition got under way on 13 September.

#### Beating last season

These figures beat the totals set on last season's opening night on 14 September 2004 when uefa.com received 8.4 million page impressions and 416,000 unique visits. Those totals have been eclipsed with increases of 39 per cent and 64 per cent respectively.

#### Latest results and statistics

The website has been redesigned for the 2005/06 campaign, to provide a growing global audience of football fans with the latest live match results and statistics, plus enhanced multimedia coverage of European football. The site covers news from the 52 UEFA national football associations and 16 UEFA competitions, all reported in nine languages, including Russian, Japanese and Korean, as well as English, French, German, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese.

#### Video footage

uefa.com has a wealth of video footage available and as a result of the redesign, an embedded media player on the homepage specifically targets the broadband market, offering users a taster of the unique uefa.com Action video product.

#### Broadband users

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Broadband users represent more than 80 per cent of the current uefa.com user base. This compares with just 54 per cent of users accessing via broadband in 2001 when the site was launched.

#### Enhanced online resource

UEFA Media Technologies CEO, Alexandre Fourtoy, explained: "We are delighted to be offering supporters of European football throughout the world a vastly enhanced online resource for the 2005/06 season and beyond. All the additional elements that have been added to uefa.com in the past four years are now better integrated to make the site easier for our visitors to use. We believe that our strategy of tailoring content to the broadband market has been successful, and our recent redesign is a continuation of that pattern."

#### Steady development

Europe's football website has evolved steadily since its initial launch in 2001, and the new design builds on the success of the official UEFA EURO 2004™ site. uefa.com received more than 75 million visits and served over 700 million page views in the last season, and on average, the site welcomes more than two million new visitors every month.

#### Top nations

The list of top 15 nations from which football fans accessed uefa.com in the last 12 months is a mark of the site's global appeal - Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, United Kingdom, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Portugal, Russian Federation, Spain, Turkey and the United States. These 15 head a total of 220 nations from which users accessed the site in the last year.

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<b>ECCC:</b> European Champions Clubs' Cup / UEFA Champions League	<b>F:</b> Final(s)
<b>UCWC:</b> UEFA Cup Winners' Cup	<b>GS:</b> Group stage
<b>UCUP:</b> UEFA Cup	<b>GS1:</b> First group stage
<b>UIC:</b> UEFA Intertoto Cup	<b>GS2:</b> Second group stage
<b>SCUP:</b> UEFA Super Cup	<b>PR:</b> Preliminary round
<b>AP:</b> Appearances	<b>QF:</b> Quarter-finals
<b>DoB:</b> Date of birth	<b>QR:</b> Qualifying round
<b>D:</b> Drawn	<b>QR1:</b> First qualifying round
<b>GA:</b> Goals against	<b>QR2:</b> Second qualifying round
<b>GF:</b> Goals for	<b>QR3:</b> Third qualifying round
<b>L:</b> Lost	<b>R1:</b> First round
<b>Pld:</b> Matches played	<b>R2:</b> Second round
<b>Nat.:</b> Nationality	<b>R3:</b> Third round
<b>No:</b> Number	<b>R4:</b> Fourth round
<b>W:</b> Won	<b>SF:</b> Semi-finals
	<b>1/8:</b> Eighth-finals
	<b>1/16:</b> Sixteenth-finals

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#### Statistics: Appearances

The player appearance statistic is calculated by adding the amount of times the player has been in the starting line-up plus the amount of times the player has been introduced during the course of a match. For the calculation of appearances, all matches - including all qualifying rounds - are included for both UEFA Champions League (UCL) and UEFA club competition (UEFA) listings. UEFA club competitions are defined as the UEFA Champions League (and European Champion Clubs' Cup), the UEFA Cup, the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, the UEFA Intertoto Cup, the UEFA Super Cup and the European/South American Cup.