**Draw for UEFA Cup Group Stage**

**Draw for group stage to be held at UEFA Headquarters on 7 October**

The draw for the group stage of the 2008/09 UEFA Cup will take place on Tuesday 7 October, at UEFA Headquarters in Nyon, Switzerland, starting at 12.00 CET.

The draw ceremony will be conducted by David Taylor, General Secretary of UEFA and Can Bartu, the Ambassador to this season's final in Istanbul.

The forty participants will be drawn into eight groups of five, with each team playing two home and two away matches.

The following principles will be used for the draw:

- The forty teams will be allocated to five pots, in accordance with their respective club coefficient. Pot 1 will comprise the top eight clubs in the club coefficient rankings, Pot 2 the following eight clubs in the rankings, and so on for pots 3, 4 and 5.

- Clubs from the same national association will not be drawn in the same group.

Media representatives wishing to attend this draw have to apply via e-mail to **accreditations@uefa.ch** before Monday 6 October midday.

Due to the number of club representatives expected for the draws, only photographers and a restricted number of cameramen will be allowed to attend the draw in the auditorium, with access being granted on a first-come-first-served basis.

A sound system will be installed in the Auditorium for ENG crews. Due to interference problems, it is recommended for sound engineers not to use the following frequencies while in the House of European Football: 783.875 MHz, 786.125 MHz, 782.500 MHz, 782.875 MHz, 784.625 MHz, 785.250 MHz, 784.625 MHz, 785.250 MHz, 792.500 MHz and 794.875 MHz.

The draw will be transmitted live on Eurosport and uefa.com.