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Moldova

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Iceland

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

2020 UEFA European Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/09/2019	QR (GS)	Iceland - Moldova	3-0	Reykjavik	Sighthórsson 31, B. Bjarnason 55, Bödvarsson 77

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO																		
Moldova	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	0	3
Iceland	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	3	0
FIFA*																		
Moldova	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies																		
Moldova	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total																		
Moldova	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	0	3
Iceland	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	3	0

* FIFA World Cup/FIFA Confederations Cup

Squad list

Moldova

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Denis Rusu	02/08/1990	29	Politehnica Iași	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Alexei Koșev	19/11/1993	25	Fortuna Sittard	-	9	0	0	0		
-	Nicolai Cebotari	24/05/1997	22	Sfintul Gheorghe	-	0	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Igor Armaș	14/07/1987	32	Voluntari	-	4	1	0	0		
-	Ion Jardan	10/01/1990	29	Petrocub	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Veaceslav Posmac	07/11/1990	29	Sheriff	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Maxim Focșa	21/04/1992	27	Sfintul Gheorghe	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Dinu Graur	27/12/1994	24	Astra	-	7	0	0	0		
-	Artur Craciun	29/06/1998	21	U Cluj	-	1	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Artur Patraș	10/01/1988	31	Zimbru	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Andrei Cojocari	21/01/1987	32	Petrocub	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Artur Ionița	17/08/1990	29	Cagliari	-	8	0	0	0		
-	Cătălin Carp	20/10/1993	26	Ufa	-	6	0	0	0		
-	Radu Gînsari	10/12/1991	27	Krylya Sovetov	-	8	0	0	0		
-	Vadim Rață	05/05/1993	26	Chindia Targoviste	-	1	1	0	0		
-	Eugeniu Cociuc	11/05/1993	26	Sabail	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Evgheni Oancea	05/01/1996	23	SKA-Khabarovsk	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Alexandr Belousov	14/05/1998	21	Sheriff	-	0	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Denis Marandici	18/09/1996	23	União Leiria	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Nicolae Milinceanu	01/08/1992	27	Vaduz	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Vitalie Damașcan	24/01/1999	20	Fortuna Sittard	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Sergiu Platica	05/06/1991	28	Milsami	-	1	0	0	0		
Coach											
-	Engin Firat	11/06/1970	49		-	1	0	0	0		

Iceland

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Hannes Halldórsson	27/04/1984	35	Valur	-	9	0	0	0		
-	Ögmundur Kristinsson	19/06/1989	30	Larissa	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Ingvar Jónsson	18/10/1989	30	Viborg	-	0	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Ragnar Sigurdsson	19/06/1986	33	Rostov	-	9	2	0	0		
-	Ari Skúlason	14/05/1987	32	Oostende	-	9	0	0	0		
-	Kári Árnason	13/10/1982	37	Víkingur Reykjavík	-	8	0	0	0		
-	Hólmar Eyjólfsson	06/08/1990	29	Levski	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Victor Pálsson	30/04/1991	28	Darmstadt	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Jón Gudni Fjóluson	10/04/1989	30	Krasnodar	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Hörður Magnússon	11/02/1993	26	CSKA Moskva	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Sverrir Ingason	05/08/1993	26	PAOK	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Hjörtur Hermannsson	08/02/1995	24	Brøndby	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Samúel Friðjónsson	22/02/1996	23	Viking	-	0	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Birkir Bjarnason	27/05/1988	31	Al-Arabi SC	-	9	2	0	0		
-	Gylfi Sigurdsson	08/09/1989	30	Everton	-	9	1	0	0		
-	Arnór Ingvi Traustason	30/04/1993	26	Malmö	-	8	0	0	0		
-	Aron Elís Thrándarson	10/11/1994	25	Aalesund	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Mikael Anderson	01/07/1998	21	Midtjylland	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Arnór Sigurdsson	15/05/1999	20	CSKA Moskva	-	5	1	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Kolbeinn Sigthórsson	14/03/1990	29	AIK	-	7	3	0	0		
-	Vidar Kjartansson	11/03/1990	29	Rubin	-	4	1	0	0		
-	Jón Dadi Bödvarsson	25/05/1992	27	Millwall	-	6	1	0	0		
Coach											
-	Erik Hamrén	27/06/1957	62		-	9	0	0	0		

Head coach

Engin Fırat

Date of birth: 11 June 1970

Nationality: Turkish/German

Playing career: none

Coaching career: LR Ahlen, Incheon United, Kayseri Erciyesspor, Sephan, Gostaresh, Saipa, Moldova

- Born in Istanbul, Engin Fırat never played professional football, but after graduating in Germany, has made his career in the sport.
- Started out in 1997, aged 27, as an assistant to Horst Hrubesch at Samsunspor before taking a similar role with a number of clubs in Turkey, Germany and South Korea over the next decade.
- Moved to Iran in 2007, where he coached several clubs and assisted Ali Daei during his time as national team boss.
- Between 2015 and 2017, Fırat was sporting director at Kardemir Karabükspor and then Dallas City.
- Named Moldova coach in late October 2019, replacing Semen Altman for the final two games of their UEFA EURO 2020 qualifying campaign.

Erik Hamrén

Date of birth: 27 June 1957

Nationality: Swedish

Playing career: Ljusdal, Stockviks

Coaching career: Njurunda (youth), Sundsvall (youth), Bro (youth), Enköping, Väsby, Brommapojkarna, Vasalund, Degerfors, AIK, Örgryte, AaB, Rosenborg, Sweden, Iceland

- Hamrén's short-lived playing career began with home-town club Ljusdal at 17, but after a two-year spell both there and at Stockviks, he was forced into retirement through injury.
- Began coaching at junior level before taking on his first senior post with Enköping and experienced his first major success nine years later, when he led AIK to victory in the 1996 Swedish Cup – a trophy he successfully defended with the Stockholm side the following year. He also took the team to the quarter-finals of the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup in 1996/97, where they bowed out to eventual winners Barcelona. A third Swedish Cup was added to his CV with Örgryte in 2000.
- After moving abroad in 2004 to join AaB he won the Danish Superliga in 2008, having also led them into the UEFA Cup group stage, then followed up with back-to-back Norwegian championships at Rosenborg.
- During his time in Trondheim he was appointed as the coach of the Swedish national side, doing the two jobs simultaneously until he stepped down from his Rosenborg duties in September 2010 to take charge of Sweden full time. Over the next six years he led his country to the finals of both UEFA EURO 2012 and UEFA EURO 2016, missing out on the 2014 FIFA World Cup only after a qualifying play-off defeat by Portugal.
- After two years out of the game he was recalled to the international arena by Iceland, who appointed him as their new head coach on 8 August 2018 in succession to Heimir Hallgrímsson.

Match officials

Referee	Pavel Královec (CZE)
Assistant referees	Ivo Nadvornik (CZE) , Tomáš Mokrusch (CZE)
Fourth official	Miroslav Zelinka (CZE)
UEFA Delegate	Diana Andersen (DEN)
UEFA Referee observer	Konrad Plautz (AUT)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA EURO matches	UEFA matches
Pavel Královec	16/08/1977	10	103

Pavel Královec

Referee since: 1993
First division: 2002
FIFA badge: 2003

Tournaments: UEFA EURO 2016, 2012 Olympic Games, 2011 FIFA U-17 World Cup, 2007 UEFA European Under-19 Championship, 2005 UEFA European Under-17 Championship

Finals
N/A

UEFA European Championship matches featuring the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
17/11/2007	EURO	QR	Moldova	Hungary	3-0	Chisinau

Other matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
11/10/2005	U21	QR	Italy	Moldova	1-0	Rieti
17/11/2007	EURO	QR	Moldova	Hungary	3-0	Chisinau
17/09/2009	UEL	GS	FCSB	FC Sheriff Tiraspol	0-0	Bucharest
02/09/2017	WC	QR	Finland	Iceland	1-0	Tampere

Match-by-match lineups

Moldova

Final tournament - Qualifying round

Group H

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
France	9	7	1	1	23	6	22
Turkey	9	6	2	1	16	3	20
Iceland	9	5	1	3	12	10	16
Albania	9	4	1	4	16	12	13
Andorra	9	1	1	7	3	18	4
Moldova	9	1	0	8	3	24	3

Matchday 1 (22/03/2019)

Moldova 1-4 France

Goals: 0-1 Griezmann 24, 0-2 Varane 27, 0-3 Giroud 36, 0-4 Mbappé 87, 1-4 Ambros 89

Moldova: Koşevlev, Reabciuk, Posmac, Ioniţa, Carp, Cebotaru, Cociuc (46 Rozgoniuc), Gînsari, Nicolaescu (59 Damaşcan), I. Jardan, A. Antoniu (73 Ambros)

Matchday 2 (25/03/2019)

Turkey 4-0 Moldova

Goals: 1-0 Hasan Ali Kaldırım 24, 2-0 Cenk Tosun 26, 3-0 Cenk Tosun 53, 4-0 Kaan Ayhan 70

Moldova: Koşevlev, Reabciuk, Rozgoniuc, Posmac, Ioniţa, Carp (46 Țurcan), Cebotaru, Gînsari (73 A. Antoniu), I. Jardan, Ambros (57 Nicolaescu), Graur

Matchday 3 (08/06/2019)

Moldova 1-0 Andorra

Goals: 1-0 Armaş 8

Moldova: Koşevlev, Reabciuk, Armaş, Efros, Ioniţa, Carp, Gînsari, I. Jardan, A. Antoniu (64 Cociuc), Suvorov (50 Cebotaru), Damaşcan (80 Boiciuc)

Matchday 4 (11/06/2019)

Albania 2-0 Moldova

Goals: 1-0 Çikalleshi 66, 2-0 Ramadani 90+3

Moldova: Koşevlev, Reabciuk, Armaş, Efros, Carp, Cebotaru, Gînsari, I. Jardan (76 Graur), A. Antoniu, Suvorov (74 Cociuc), Damaşcan (70 Boiciuc)

Matchday 5 (07/09/2019)

Iceland 3-0 Moldova

Goals: 1-0 Sigthórsson 31, 2-0 B. Bjarnason 55, 3-0 Bødvarsson 77

Moldova: Koşevlev, Reabciuk, Armaş, Mudrac, Ioniţa, Carp (67 Țurcan), Cebotaru, Gînsari (80 Sandu), Cemîrtan (65 Cojocar), Suvorov, Graur

Matchday 6 (10/09/2019)

Moldova 0-4 Turkey

Goals: 0-1 Cenk Tosun 37, 0-2 Deniz Türüç 57, 0-3 Cenk Tosun 79, 0-4 Yusuf Yazıcı 88

Moldova: Koşevlev, Reabciuk, Mudrac, Efros, Ioniţa (81 Ghecev), Cebotaru, Gînsari (68 Cemîrtan), Țurcan, Suvorov (75 Rozgoniuc), Sandu, Graur

Matchday 7 (11/10/2019)

Andorra 1-0 Moldova

Goals: 1-0 Vales 63

Moldova: Koşevlev, Reabciuk, Posmac, Ioniţa, Mihali (72 Dedov), Cebotaru, Gînsari, Prepeliţă, Suvorov, Boiciuc, Graur

Matchday 8 (14/10/2019)

Moldova 0-4 Albania

Goals: 0-1 Çikalleshi 22, 0-2 Bare 34, 0-3 Trashi 40, 0-4 Manaj 90

Moldova: Koşev, Reabciuk, Mudrac (31 Rozgoniuc), Posmac, Ionița, Cebotaru, Prepeliță, Suvorov (60 Boiciuc), Anton, Sidorencu (80 Sandu), Graur

Matchday 9 (14/11/2019)

France 2-1 Moldova

Goals: 0-1 Rață 9, 1-1 Varane 35, 2-1 Giroud 79 (P)

Moldova: Koşev, Armaş, Platica, Posmac, Ionița, Carp, Cociuc, Gînsari (74 Milinceanu), Craciun, I. Jordan (68 Graur), Rață (81 Patraș)

Matchday 10 (17/11/2019)

Moldova-Iceland

Iceland

Final tournament - Qualifying round

Group H

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
France	9	7	1	1	23	6	22
Turkey	9	6	2	1	16	3	20
Iceland	9	5	1	3	12	10	16
Albania	9	4	1	4	16	12	13
Andorra	9	1	1	7	3	18	4
Moldova	9	1	0	8	3	24	3

Matchday 1 (22/03/2019)

Andorra 0-2 Iceland

Goals: 0-1 B. Bjarnason 22, 0-2 Kjartansson 80

Iceland: Halldórsson, B. Sævarsson, R. Sigurdsson, Gudmundsson (83 Traustason), B. Bjarnason, G. Sigurdsson, Finnbogason (70 Kjartansson), Árnason, A. Gunnarsson (63 Sigurjónsson), Sigurdsson, A. Skúlason

Matchday 2 (25/03/2019)

France 4-0 Iceland

Goals: 1-0 Umtiti 12, 2-0 Giroud 68, 3-0 Mbappé 78, 4-0 Griezmann 84

Iceland: Halldórsson, B. Sævarsson (84 A. Skúlason), Ingason, R. Sigurdsson, B. Bjarnason, G. Sigurdsson, Árnason, Sigurjónsson (57 Traustason), A. Gunnarsson, H. Magnússon, Guðmundsson (62 Finnbogason)

Matchday 3 (08/06/2019)

Iceland 1-0 Albania

Goals: 1-0 Gudmundsson 22

Iceland: Halldórsson, Hermannsson, R. Sigurdsson, Gudmundsson (56 Traustason), B. Bjarnason, G. Sigurdsson, Árnason, Sigurjónsson (81 Sigurdsson), A. Gunnarsson, Kjartansson (63 Sigthórsson), A. Skúlason

Matchday 4 (11/06/2019)

Iceland 2-1 Turkey

Goals: 1-0 R. Sigurdsson 21, 2-0 R. Sigurdsson 32, 2-1 Dorukhan Toköz 40

Iceland: Halldórsson, Hermannsson, R. Sigurdsson, Gudmundsson (80 Traustason), B. Bjarnason, G. Sigurdsson, Árnason, A. Gunnarsson, Hallfredsson, Bödvarsson (64 Sigthórsson), A. Skúlason (69 H. Magnússon)

Matchday 5 (07/09/2019)

Iceland 3-0 Moldova

Goals: 1-0 Sigthórsson 31, 2-0 B. Bjarnason 55, 3-0 Bödvarsson 77

Iceland: Halldórsson, Hermannsson, R. Sigurdsson, B. Bjarnason (78 Sigurjónsson), Sigthórsson (63 Hallfredsson), G. Sigurdsson, Árnason, A. Gunnarsson, Traustason, Bödvarsson (84 Kjartansson), A. Skúlason

Matchday 6 (10/09/2019)

Albania 4-2 Iceland

Goals: 1-0 Dermaku 32, 1-1 G. Sigurdsson 47, 2-1 Hysaj 52, 2-2 Sigthórsson 58, 3-2 Roshi 79, 4-2 Çikalleshi 83

Iceland: Halldórsson, Hermannsson, R. Sigurdsson, B. Bjarnason (71 H. Magnússon), G. Sigurdsson, Árnason, Sigurjónsson, A. Gunnarsson, Hallfredsson (56 Sigthórsson), Bödvarsson (83 Kjartansson), A. Skúlason

Matchday 7 (11/10/2019)

Iceland 0-1 France

Goals: 0-1 Giroud 66 (P)

Iceland: Halldórsson, Pálsson, R. Sigurdsson, Gudmundsson (15 Bödvarsson), B. Bjarnason, Sigthórsson, G. Sigurdsson, Árnason, Sigurjónsson (73 Finnbogason), Traustason (81 Sigurdsson), A. Skúlason

Matchday 8 (14/10/2019)

Iceland 2-0 Andorra

Goals: 1-0 Sigurdsson 38, 2-0 Sigthórsson 65

Iceland: Halldórsson, Fjóluson, Pálsson, R. Sigurdsson (68 Ingason), B. Bjarnason (70 Hallfredsson), Sigthórsson, G. Sigurdsson, Finnbogason (64 Bödvarsson), Sigurdsson, Traustason, A. Skúlason

Matchday 9 (14/11/2019)

Turkey 0-0 Iceland

Iceland: Halldórsson, Pálsson, R. Sigurdsson, B. Bjarnason, Sigthórsson, G. Sigurdsson, Finnbogason (24 Sigurdsson), Árnason, Traustason (63 H. Magnússon), Bödvarsson, A. Skúlason (85 Anderson)

Matchday 10 (17/11/2019)

Moldova-Iceland

Legend

:: Previous meetings

Goals for/against: Goal totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (e.g. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw

:: Squad list

Qual.: Total European Qualifiers appearances/goals for UEFA EURO 2020 only.

FT: Total UEFA EURO 2020 appearances/goals in final tournament only.

Overall: Total international appearances/goals.

DoB: Date of birth

Age: Based on the date press kit was last updated

D: Disciplinary (*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

:: Team facts

EURO finals: The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976 (when the preliminary round and quarter-finals were considered part of qualifying).

From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the 16-team format was adopted. UEFA EURO 2016 was the first tournament to be played as a 24-team finals.

Records of inactive countries

A number of UEFA associations have been affected by dissolution or splits of member associations. For statistical purposes, the records of these inactive countries have been allocated elsewhere: therefore, all Soviet Union matches are awarded to Russia; all West Germany – but not East Germany – matches are awarded to Germany; all Yugoslavia and Serbia & Montenegro matches are awarded to Serbia; all Czechoslovakia matches are allocated to both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Abandoned/forfeited matches

For statistical purposes, when a match has been started and then abandoned but later forfeited, the result on the pitch at the time of abandonment is counted. Matches that never started and were either cancelled or forfeited are not included in the overall statistics.

Competitions

Other abbreviations

(aet): After extra time

No.: Number

ag: Match decided on away goals

agg: Aggregate

AP: Appearances

Comp.: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

ET: Extra Time

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

gg: Match decided by golden goal

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

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pens: Penalties

og: Own goal

P: Penalty

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (straight red card)

Res.: Result

sg: Match decided by silver goal

t: Match decided by toss of a coin

W: Won

Y: Booked

Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)

N/A: Not applicable