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Group B - Matchday 1

Lithuania

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Luc Holtz

**Date of birth:** 14 June 1969  
**Nationality:** Luxembourger  
**Playing career:** Red Boys Differdange, Avenir Beggen, Etzella Ettelbruck  
**Coaching career:** Etzella Ettelbruck, Luxembourg Under-21s, Luxembourg

- Holtz started his career with Red Boys Differdange, a club which today is part of leading top-flight outfit Differdange 03.
- A creative playmaker with a keen eye for goal, Holtz moved to Avenir Beggen in 1992 where he went on to win the domestic double in 1993 and 1994. He was chosen as Luxembourg's footballer of the year in 1993.
- Played until 2008 when, aged 38, he finished his career at Etzella having gone there from Beggen in 1999 to take over as player-coach.
- Led Etzella to promotion to the top flight in 1999, his first season in charge. Lifted the cup two years later but was relegated in 2002, only to bounce back immediately. Proceeded to reach the cup final in 2003 and 2004, although both ended in defeat.
- Having earned 55 caps for Luxembourg, he accepted an offer to coach the national U21 side in 2008. He was then handed the reins of the senior team following the resignation of Guy Hellers in August 2010; has achieved some notable results, most recently a goalless draw away to eventual winners France in qualifying for the 2018 FIFA World Cup.

Valdas Urbonas

**Date of birth:** 29 November 1967  
**Nationality:** Lithuanian  
**Playing career:** Mokslas Vilnius, Neris Vilnius, Vienybė Ukmergė, Makabi Vilnius, Minija Kretinga, Geležinis Vilkas, Žalgiris, Inkaras Kaunas, Videoton, Gázszer, Ekranas  
**Coaching career:** Vėtra (assistant), Kaunas (assistant), Ekranas, Trakai, Spartaks Jūrmala, Žalgiris, Lithuania

- Played in defence for several clubs in Lithuanian capital Vilnius, including Žalgiris, whom he represented between 1993 and 1997. Then moved to Hungary, spending three years there before returning to his native Panevezys for a final campaign with Ekranas.
- Participated in Lithuania's first competitive matches as an independent country in 1992, and scored once in 14 appearances for his country overall.
- Following his 2001 retirement, worked as an assistant at Vėtra and Kaunas before being named head coach at Ekranas in 2008. There, Urbonas won five successive championships, two national cups and was named best domestic club coach three times.
- Named Lithuania's best coach again in 2015, having led Trakai to a second-place finish in the league. A brief spell at the end of 2017 in Latvia with Spartaks earned him another league title.
- Appointed by former club Žalgiris midway through 2018 and steered the team to a Lithuanian Cup triumph. Named Lithuania's head coach in February 2019.
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.
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

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

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