Portugal

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Head coach
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Fernando Santos

Date of birth: 10 October 1954  
Nationality: Portuguese  
Playing career: Benfica, Estoril (twice), Marítimo  
Coaching career: Estoril, Estrela da Amadora, Porto, AEK Athens (twice), Panathinaikos, Sporting CP, Benfica, PAOK, Greece, Portugal

- A left-back, Santos – who holds a degree in electrical and telecommunications engineering – started his playing days at home-town club Benfica before spending most of his career with Estoril.
- He retired from playing in 1987, going immediately into coaching at Estoril, where he was head coach for six years, guiding the club to two promotions and into the Portuguese top flight.
- Had four seasons with Estrela da Amadora prior to joining Porto in 1998. Led his side to the Liga title in his first term, adding two domestic cups before departing for AEK in 2001. Again made an instant impact, lifting the 2002 Greek Cup. Went to Panathinaikos that summer followed by spells at Sporting, AEK again and Benfica.
- He then revived PAOK’s fortunes after taking over in 2007, steering them to runners-up spot in the 2009/10 Super League to earn a place in the UEFA Champions League third qualifying round. Announced his departure in May 2010 and was confirmed as Otto Rehhagel’s successor as Greece coach six weeks later, proving an immediate hit as he helped them to the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2012.
- Repeated the feat for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, guiding Greece to the last 16, before stepping down. He was appointed by Portugal that September after Paulo Bento’s departure and led them to UEFA EURO 2016 thanks to seven successive victories. The crowning glory was to come in France, Portugal remaining unbeaten throughout the tournament and defeating the hosts in the St-Denis final thanks to Éder’s extra-time goal; two years later, Santos and his team reached the last 16 of the World Cup and subsequently qualified for the first UEFA Nations League Finals.

Mladen Krstajić

Date of birth: 4 March 1974  
Nationality: Serbian  
Playing career: Čelik, Senta, Kikinda, Partizan (twice), Werder Bremen, Schalke  
Coaching career: Serbia

- A tall, left-footed defender, Krstajić’s career began in the youth sector of Bosnian club Čelik from his home town of Zenica. He moved to Serbia in 1992 during the Yugoslav civil war, playing for unheralded Senta and Kikinda before being snapped up in 1996 by Belgrade giants Partizan.
- Rapidly became a Partizan regular, starting out at left-back before moving into central defence. He helped the Black-and-Whites to three championship titles (1995/96, 1996/97, 1998/99) and one national cup (1997/98) during his four-year stay.
- In the summer of 2000 Krstajić moved to Werder Bremen, where he performed with distinction for a further four seasons, climaxing in 2003/04 as he helped the club win the German Bundesliga/DFB Pokal double. He then left for a five-year stint at Schalke, where he was appointed as captain and established himself as one of the Bundesliga’s foremost defenders.
- He played 59 senior international matches for his country, from 1999 to 2008, notably featuring as one of the ‘Famous Four’ alongside Nemanja Vidić, Goran Gavrančić and Ivica Dragutinović in the Serbia and Montenegro defence that qualified for the 2006 FIFA World Cup with the concession of just one goal. He also started all three matches at the finals in Germany.
- He returned to Belgrade to end his career back at Partizan, winning two more titles, before being appointed as the club’s sports director. He later helped Serbia qualify for the 2018 World Cup as assistant coach to Slavoljub Muslin before replacing him, initially as caretaker, and leading the side at the finals in Russia, where they were eliminated at the group stage. Went on to oversee a promotion-winning campaign in the UEFA Nations League later that year.
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
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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