Norway

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Group F - Matchday 3

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Head coach 2
Legend 3
Head coach

**Lars Lagerbäck**

**Date of birth:** 16 July 1948  
**Nationality:** Swedish  
**Playing career:** Alby, Gimonäs  
**Coaching career:** Kilafors, Arbrå, Hudiksvalls, Sweden (youth sides), Sweden, Nigeria, Iceland, Norway

- A lower-league player, Lagerbäck began his coaching career in 1977 with Kilafors, joining the Swedish Football Association (SvFF) as a youth coach after spells with two other modest club sides Arbrå and Hudiksvall. Coached the national Under-21 and B teams until Tommy Söderberg took him on as his assistant with the senior national squad in 1998.

- Söderberg and Lagerbäck managed Sweden in tandem from 2000, reaching UEFA EURO 2000, the 2002 FIFA World Cup and the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2004; following Söderberg's departure, Lagerbäck took the troops to the 2006 World Cup and UEFA EURO 2008 single-handed.

- Stepped down after failing to lead Sweden to the 2010 World Cup finals, but ended up travelling to that tournament as coach of Nigeria.

- Appointed Iceland boss in October 2011, he steered the side to the 2014 World Cup play-offs where they lost to Croatia. Agreed a new contract that would mean he handed over the reins to assistant Heimir Hallgrímsson at the end of the UEFA EURO 2016 campaign – and promptly guided Iceland to their first ever major tournament.

- Even better was to follow as Iceland knocked out England en route to reaching the quarter-finals, where they lost to France, and in February 2017 Lagerbäck came out of retirement to take over as coach of Norway, his new side picking up ten points from their six 2018 World Cup qualifiers under his watch and going on to win promotion in the UEFA Nations League.

**Cosmin Contra**

**Date of birth:** 15 December 1975  
**Nationality:** Romanian  
**Playing career:** Politehnica Timişoara (three times), Dinamo Bucureşti, Alavés, AC Milan, Atlético Madrid, West Brom (loan), Getafe  
**Coaching career:** Politehnica Timişoara, Fuenlabrada, Petrolul Ploieşti, Getafe, Guangzhou, Alcorcón, Dinamo Bucureşti, Romania

- Started and ended his playing career with his home-town club Politehnica Timişoara, heading to Spain in 1999 after a spell in the Romanian capital with Dinamo Bucureşti.

- A major hit with Alavés, the attacking right-back helped the little-known club to reach the 2000/01 UEFA Cup final in their first season in European competition, scoring three goals and putting in a fine performance in the final – a 5-4 loss to Liverpool after extra time in Dortmund.

- Played for Milan, Atlético and West Brom then, after a spell back at Politehnica, helped Getafe make it to the 2007/08 UEFA Cup quarter-finals. Played in his second UEFA European Championship in summer 2008, and won the last of his 73 Romania caps in 2010, more than 14 years after his international debut.

- Moved from pitch to bench at Timişoara, working briefly as player-coach. After a spell in Spain, led Petrolul to 2012/13 Romanian Cup success, then returned to save Getafe from relegation in 2014 before trying his luck in China.

- Having won the 2016/17 Romanian League Cup with Dinamo Bucureşti he was hired as Romania coach in September 2017, promptly winning six of his first eight matches in charge.
:: 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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