Kosovo

Stadiumi Fadil Vokrri - Pristina
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Group A - Matchday 8

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Montenegro

Head coach
Legend

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Head coach

Bernard Challandes

Date of birth: 28 July 1951  
Nationality: Swiss  
Playing career: Le Locle (twice), Urania Genève Sport, Saint-Imier  
Coaching career: Saint-Imier, Le Locle, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Yverdon-Sport, Young Boys (twice), Servette, Switzerland (youth), Switzerland Under-21, Zürich, Sion, Neuchâtel Xamax, Thun, Armenia, Kosovo

- Bernard Challandes has quietly carved out an impressive coaching CV since his career started in earnest when he took over at Yverdon in 1987. He stayed in the post for seven seasons, winning four lower-league titles, before moving to Young Boys.
- His stay in Berne proved nowhere near as lengthy or successful, however, Challandes departing in 1995 with the club finishing bottom of the first phase of the 12-team Swiss top flight after collecting just 17 points. A subsequent spell at Servette proved short-lived, and there followed a lengthy spell out of the limelight, during which he coached Switzerland’s Under-17 and Under-18 teams.
- The Le Locle native took over the Switzerland Under-21 side in 2001. The highlight of his six years in charge came in 2002, when a team including Alexander Frei, Ludovic Magnin and Daniel Gygax reached the UEFA European Under-21 Championship semi-finals on home soil.
- The lure of club football proved too strong for Challandes, however, and in 2007 he took charge of Zürich, leading them to the UEFA Cup round of 32 in his first season. The club's third league title in four years followed in 2009, the Swiss side securing UEFA Champions League group stage football for the first time at the start of 2009/10.
- After leaving FCZ in 2010, Challandes took charge of Sion – with whom he won the Swiss Cup in 2011 – Neuchâtel Xamax, Thun and Young Boys, committing to his first job outside Switzerland in February 2014, at the age of 62, when he was announced as the new coach of Armenia. Stepped down the following year midway through UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying, going on to work as a scout at Basel before returning to coaching with Kosovo in March 2018. Made an immediate impact, winning promotion in the UEFA Nations League later that year.

Faruk Hadžibegić

Date of birth: 7 October 1957  
Nationality: Bosnian-Herzegovinian  
Playing career: Sarajevo, Betis, Sochaux, Toulouse  
Coaching career: Sochaux, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Betis, Troyes, Gaziantepspor, Diyarbakirspor, Denizlispor, Niort, Dijon, Bastia, Arles-Avignon, Valenciennes, Red Star, Montenegro

- One of Bosnia and Herzegovina's footballing greats, Hadžibegić won 61 caps for Yugoslavia, scoring six goals and appearing at the 1990 FIFA World Cup; he was one of three players to miss from the penalty spot in the quarter-final shoot-out defeat by Argentina.
- At club level Hadžibegić spent nine years at Sarajevo, making almost 250 appearances and winning the Yugoslavian league title in 1985; then had two seasons in Spain with Betis before a seven-year spell at French club Sochaux, hanging up his boots in 1995 following a season with Toulouse.
- Initially stayed in France to take the first steps in his coaching career, guiding Sochaux into Ligue 1 in 1997; took over the Bosnia and Herzegovina national side in March 1999 but stepped down seven months later after the team missed out on UEFA EURO 2000.
- Went back to Betis in 2000/01, taking his former club into the Spanish top flight before returning to France with Troyes; went on to have short spells in quick succession with Turkish clubs Gaziantepspor, Diyarbakirspor and Denizlispor, resuming his career in France with Niort in 2007.
- Short reigns followed at Dijon, Bastia and Arles-Avignon, whom Hadžibegić left in 2011; five years later, he returned to coaching at Valenciennes. Had six months in charge of Parisian Ligue 2 club Red Star between October 2018 and March 2019 before signing an 18-month contract to succeed Ljubiša Tumbaković as coach of Montenegro.
:: 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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