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Group J - Matchday 5

Armenia

Italy

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Head coach

Armen Gylbudaghants

**Date of birth:** 19 December 1966  
**Nationality:** Armenian  
**Playing career:** Spartak Hoktemberyan, Lori, Banants, Homenetmen Lebanon  
**Coaching career:** Banants (twice), Armenia Under-19, Armenia U21, Pyunik (twice), Impuls, Alashkert, Gol Gahar (assistant), Padideh (assistant), Armenia

- A powerful and creative midfielder, Gylbudaghants spent the early part of his career in the USSR lower leagues before joining Banants in 1992, finishing third in the league and winning the Armenian Cup in the first post-independence season. He scored 17 goals in 61 appearances for the club before retiring aged 29 after suffering a knee injury that also restricted him to a single senior cap for Armenia.

- Switched to coaching and in 2001 returned to Banants, combining his new role with gaining coaching qualifications. In 2007 he went to Moscow to study, becoming the first Armenian coach to acquire a UEFA Pro Licence.

- His most successful spell followed at Pyunik between May 2007 and July 2008, players such as Henrikh Mkhitaryan, Gevorg Ghazaryan and Karlen Mkrtchyan breaking through and going on to become the backbone of the national side.

- Gylbudaghants guided Pyunik to the 2007 league title and took Impuls to the Armenian Cup final four years later, his most notable coaching achievements; however, he also has a fine record in improving his sides’ results and developing young players.

- Stepped up to take charge of Armenia in October 2018 following the departure of Vardan Minasyan.

Roberto Mancini

**Date of birth:** 27 November 1964  
**Nationality:** Italian  
**Playing career:** Bologna, Sampdoria, Lazio, Leicester (loan)  
**Coaching career:** Fiorentina, Lazio, Internazionale Milano (twice), Manchester City, Galatasaray, Zenit, Italy

- Spent the majority of his playing career in Italy, winning Serie A titles and UEFA Cup Winners’ Cups with both Sampdoria and Lazio as well as six editions of the Coppa Italia, four with Sampdoria and two with Lazio. Capped 36 times by Italy, the forward was a bronze medallist at the 1990 FIFA World Cup.

- Started his coaching career as assistant to Sven-Göran Eriksson at Lazio before replacing Fatih Terim at Fiorentina in 2001. After leading the Viola to the Coppa Italia, he returned to Lazio and repeated that feat as well as steering the Roman club into the UEFA Champions League and to the UEFA Cup semi-finals in 2002/03.

- Became coach of Inter in July 2004, replacing Alberto Zaccheroni one day after terminating his contract with Lazio; led the Nerazzurri to Coppa Italia glory in his debut season, Inter’s first domestic honour since the 1989 Scudetto. After Juventus were stripped of their 2005/06 title and AC Milan suffered a points penalty, Inter were finally crowned champions of Italy again. Mancini repeated that success in 2006/07.

- Left Inter in May 2008 despite winning another title and replaced Mark Hughes as manager of Manchester City midway through the 2009/10 Premier League season. City finished fifth in his first campaign, third in his second – when they also lifted the FA Cup – and dramatically won the top flight for the first time in 44 years on the final day of his third.

- City finished second the following season, but Mancini was sacked two days after losing to Wigan in the 2013 FA Cup final. Mancini succeeded Terim again that September at Galatasaray, winning the 2014 Turkish Cup in what proved his only season; returned to Inter for two seasons from 2014 before joining Russian club Zenit in 2017, stepping down the following year to take charge of Italy.
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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