

# EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS - 2019/20 SEASON MATCH PRESS KITS



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**Spain**

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## EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS OFFICIAL SPONSORS



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## Head coach

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### Cosmin Contra

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**Date of birth:** 15 December 1975

**Nationality:** Romanian

**Playing career:** Politehnica Timișoara (three times), Dinamo București, Alavés, AC Milan, Atlético Madrid, West Brom (loan), Getafe

**Coaching career:** Politehnica Timișoara, Fuenlabrada, Petrolul Ploiești, Getafe, Guangzhou, Alcorcón, Dinamo București, Romania

- Started and ended his playing career with his home-town club Politehnica Timișoara, heading to Spain in 1999 after a spell in the Romanian capital with Dinamo București.
- 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 Timișoara, 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 București he was hired as Romania coach in September 2017, promptly winning six of his first eight matches in charge.

### Robert Moreno

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**Date of birth:** 19 September 1977

**Nationality:** Spanish

**Coaching career:** Penya Barçelona Collblanc, L'Hospitalet, Castelldefels, Damm, Barcelona B (assistant), Roma (assistant), Celta Vigo (assistant, twice), Barcelona (assistant), Spain (assistant, interim, permanent)

- Originally from Catalonia, Moreno started coaching aged 14 when his PE teacher asked him to help in classes; after spells in the youth departments of several lower division clubs he eventually ended up at Barcelona B, where he met Luis Enrique.
- Enrique took Moreno with him when he was appointed Roma coach in 2011, Moreno also working as assistant at Celta in 2013/14 before returning to Barcelona when Enrique took charge of the first team; as well as serving as assistant coach, Moreno was also the head of opposition scouting.
- Barcelona swept all before them in 2014/15, winning the Spanish Liga, Copa del Rey and UEFA Champions League treble and also adding the UEFA Super Cup and FIFA Club World Cup later in 2015; another league title and two more domestic cups followed before Enrique, and Moreno, departed in summer 2017.
- Spent 2017/18 back at Celta, working as assistant to Juan Carlos Unzué as Enrique took a sabbatical, but the pair were reunited in July 2018 when Enrique was appointed Spain coach.
- Stepped in as interim manager in March 2019 when Enrique took a break from the position, and after overseeing three successive UEFA EURO 2020 qualifying wins was named Spain's 56th permanent manager – aged 41, their youngest since Guillermo Eizaguirre in 1948 – on 19 June when Enrique opted to step down.

## Legend

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### :: 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

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### Other abbreviations

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**(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

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**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