Scotland
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Group I - Matchday 5

Russia

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Head coach

Steve Clarke

Date of birth: 29 August 1963  
Nationality: Scottish  
Playing career: St Mirren, Chelsea  
Coaching career: Newcastle (caretaker), West Brom, Reading, Kilmarnock, Scotland

- Born in Saltcoats on the west coast of Scotland, Clarke started out on a part-time contract at St Mirren, training as a defender while serving an apprenticeship as an instrument engineer, but – after making his debut in 1982 – eventually established himself as the Paisley side's first choice right-back.

- Signed by Chelsea in February 1987, Clarke would make over 400 appearances for the club, and featured in the sides that won the 1997 FA Cup and the League Cup the following season; his final appearance was in the 1998 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup final, the Blues beating Stuttgart 1-0 in Stockholm.

- Capped just six times by Scotland, Clarke moved into coaching as assistant to his former Stamford Bridge team-mate Ruud Gullit at Newcastle United, from 1998/99, taking caretaker command for one match. Then returned to Chelsea, initially as a youth team coach, before assisting José Mourinho (during two title-winning campaigns) and Avram Grant.

- Assisted another Stamford Bridge alumnus, Gianfranco Zola, at West Ham from 2008 to 2010, and was Kenny Dalglish's assistant at Liverpool before taking sole command at West Brom in 2012/13.

- Following a spell in charge at Reading, he was assistant to Roberto Di Matteo at Aston Villa in 2016, and then returned to management in 2017 with Kilmarnock – the club his brother Paul represented between 1974 and 1986; hired to coach Scotland in May 2019 after being named the Scottish Premiership's manager of the year.

Stanislav Cherchesov

Date of birth: 2 September 1963  
Nationality: Russian  
Playing career: Spartak Ordzhonikidze, Spartak Moskva (four times), Lokomotiv Moskva, Dynamo Dresden, Tirol Innsbruck  
Coaching career: Kufstein, Wacker Tirol, Spartak Moskva, Zhemchuzhina Sochi, Terek Grozny, Amkar Perm, Dinamo Moskva, Legia Warszawa, Russia

- Born in North Ossetia, goalkeeper Cherchesov captained Russia in their first international after the dissolution of the Soviet Union, against Mexico in 1992, and was selected for the 1994 and 2002 FIFA World Cups as well as EURO '96. At club level, Cherchesov was ever-present as Spartak finished the 1995/96 UEFA Champions League group stage with maximum points.

- After a spell in Austria, where he started his coaching career, Cherchesov rejoined Spartak in the summer of 2006 as sporting director. He replaced Vladimir Fedotov as coach in June 2007 and led the team to a second-place finish that season. Cherchesov parted company with Spartak after an 8-2 aggregate defeat against Dynamo Kyiv in the 2008/09 UEFA Champions League third qualifying round.

- After a brief stint at second-tier Zhemchuzhina Sochi, Cherchesov coached Terek from 2011 to 2013, guiding them to eighth in the Russian Premier-Liga in the latter season – the highest finish in their history. He took charge of Amkar Perm in June 2013 but left the following April for Dinamo Moskva.

- Under Cherchesov, Dinamo won all six of their group matches in the 2014/15 UEFA Europa League group stage, losing to Napoli in the round of 16. The capital outfit finished fourth in the Premier-Liga that campaign and Cherchesov was soon dismissed.

- Cherchesov was appointed by Legia less than three months later, his sole season at the helm yielding the domestic double for the Warsaw club in their centenary year. On 11 August 2016, Cherchesov was announced as Russia coach and unexpectedly led the team to the 2018 World Cup quarter-finals on home soil, the highlight a shoot-out defeat of Spain in the round of 16.
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
d: Disciplinary
No.: Number
og: Own goal
P: Penalty
agg: Aggregate
Pld: Matches played
AP: Appearances
Pos.: Position
D: Drawn
Pts: Points
DoB: Date of birth
R: Sent off (straight red card)
ET: Extra Time
Res.: Result
g: Goals against
sg: Match decided by silver goal
GF: Goals for
t: Match decided by toss of a coin
L: Lost
W: Won
gg: Match decided by golden goal
Y: Booked
N/A: Not applicable
Nat.: Nationality
Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)

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