

# EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS - 2019/20 SEASON MATCH PRESS KITS



**Russia**

**Kaliningrad Stadium - Kaliningrad**

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Group I - Matchday 6



**Kazakhstan**

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## EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS OFFICIAL SPONSORS



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## Head coach

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### Stanislav Cherchesov

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**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.

### Michal Bílek

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**Date of birth:** 13 April 1965

**Nationality:** Czech

**Playing career:** Sparta Praha (four times), Cheb, Real Betis, Viktoria Žižkov, Teplice

**Coaching career:** Teplice, Cartaginés, Czech Republic Under-19, Chmel Blšany, Viktoria Plzeň, Sparta Praha, Ružomberok, Czech Republic, Dinamo Tbilisi, Jihlava, Zlín, Kazakhstan

- A gritty midfielder who was an expert at free-kicks and penalties, Bílek had four spells at Sparta, the most memorable between 1986 and 1990 during which he won three league titles and two Czechoslovakian Cups.
- Travelled to the 1990 FIFA World Cup as the reigning Czechoslovakian player of the year; featured in all five matches at right-back to help Czechoslovakia to quarter-finals, scoring from the penalty spot in the opening two matches against the United States and Austria. Extended his international career beyond break-up of Czechoslovakia, winning 35 caps and scoring 11 goals.
- Had slow start to coaching career, including spell in Costa Rica, but eventually established himself at top level back at home and was appointed coach of Sparta in September 2006; won domestic double in his first season but dismissed in May 2008.
- Led Slovakian club Ružomberok in 2008/09 before taking on assistant role to former team-mate Ivan Hašek with Czech national side. Promoted to top job in October 2009, as Hašek returned to his position as association president, and guided the Czechs to UEFA EURO 2012 via a play-off win against Montenegro.
- Took the Czech Republic to the quarter-finals in Poland-Ukraine but left his post the following year. Went on to have a short spell in Georgia with Dinamo Tbilisi and brief stints in charge of both Jihlava and Zlín in his homeland before agreeing a return to international football with Kazakhstan in early 2019.

## 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