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FYR Macedonia

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- Skopje**

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Group G - Matchday 2



Israel

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

UEFA EURO 2008

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
21/11/2007	QR (GS)	Israel - FYR Macedonia	1-0	Ramat Gan	Barda 35
02/06/2007	QR (GS)	FYR Macedonia - Israel	1-2	Skopje	Stojkov 13; Itzhaki 11, Colautti 44

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Total																		
FYR Macedonia	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	3	0	0	3	3	6
Israel	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	3	3	0	0	6	3

Squad list

FYR Macedonia

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Martin Bogatinov	26/04/1986	30	Ethnikos Achnas	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Kostadin Zahov	08/11/1987	28	Shkëndija	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Damjan Siskovski	18/03/1995	21	Rabotnicki	-	0	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Vance Sikov	19/07/1985	31	Neftçi	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Daniel Mojsov	25/12/1987	28	AEK Larnaca	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Kire Ristevski	22/10/1990	25	Vasas	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Stefan Ristovski	12/02/1992	24	Rijeka	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Egzijan Alioski	12/02/1992	24	Lugano	-	1	1	0	0		
-	Darko Velkoski	21/06/1995	21	Vardar	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Leonard Zhuta	09/08/1992	24	Rijeka	*	1	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Ivan Tričkovski	18/04/1987	29	AEK Larnaca	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Stefan Spirovski	23/08/1990	26	Vardar	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Dusko Trajcevski	01/11/1990	25	Rabotnicki	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Milovan Petrovikj	23/01/1990	26	Osijek	-	1	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Goran Pandev	27/07/1983	33	Genoa	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Ostoja Stjepanovic	17/01/1985	31	Śląsk	*	1	0	0	0		
-	Adis Jahović	18/03/1987	29	Krylya Sovetov	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Ilija Nestorovski	12/03/1990	26	Palermo	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Besart Ibraimi	17/12/1986	29	Shkëndija	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Feran Hasani	18/06/1990	26	Shkëndija	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Nikola Gjorgjev	22/08/1997	19	Grasshoppers	-	1	0	0	0		
Coach											
-	Igor Angelovski	02/06/1976	40		-	1	0	0	0		

Israel

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	David Goresh	01/02/1980	36	H. Beer-Sheva	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Boris Kleyman	26/10/1990	25	Beitar Jerusalem	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Ariel Harush	25/05/1988	28	H. Tel-Aviv	-	0	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Eytan Tibi	16/11/1987	28	M. Tel-Aviv	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Omri Ben Harush	07/03/1990	26	M. Tel-Aviv	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Rami Gershon	12/08/1988	28	Gent	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Ben Bitton	03/01/1991	25	H. Beer-Sheva	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Eli Dasa	03/12/1992	23	M. Tel-Aviv	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Shir Tzedek	22/08/1989	27	H. Beer-Sheva	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Ofir Davidzada	05/05/1991	25	Gent	-	1	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Maor Buzaglo	14/01/1988	28	H. Beer-Sheva	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Almog Cohen	01/09/1988	28	Ingolstadt	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Eran Zahavi	25/07/1987	29	M. Tel-Aviv	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Eyal Golasa	07/10/1991	24	M. Tel-Aviv	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Daniel Einbinder	16/02/1989	27	Beitar Jerusalem	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Nir Bitton	30/10/1991	24	Celtic	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Roi Kehat	12/05/1992	24	M. Haifa	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Omer Atzily	27/07/1993	23	Beitar Jerusalem	-	1	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Tomer Hemed	02/05/1987	29	Brighton	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Tal Ben Chaim	05/08/1989	27	M. Tel-Aviv	-	1	1	0	0		
-	Idan Vered	25/05/1989	27	Beitar Jerusalem	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Munas Dabbur	14/05/1992	24	Salzburg	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Ahmed Abed	30/03/1990	26	H. Kiryat Shmona	-	0	0	0	0		
Coach											
-	Elisha Levy	18/11/1957	58		-	1	0	0	0		

Head coach

Igor Angelovski

Date of birth: 2 June 1976

Nationality: Macedonian

Playing career: FK Makedonija Gjorce Petrov, FK Pelister, NK Publikum, FK Cementarnica 55 (twice), FK Pobeda

Coaching career: FK Rabotnicki, FYR Macedonia (assistant), FYR Macedonia

- A former midfielder, Angelovski spent most of his playing career in his homeland, his highlight coming in 2002/03 when he lifted the Macedonian Cup with Cementarnica.
- After retiring in 2007, he served as sporting director at Rabotnicki for five years before becoming a surprise choice to replace Zhikica Tasevski as the club's head coach prior to 2013/14.
- Angelovski wasted no time showing his coaching potential by becoming the youngest coach to win the Macedonian championship, leading the Skopje-based side to a domestic double in his debut season – aged 38. He repeated his Macedonian Cup success with Rabotnicki the following year, and won consecutive awards for best domestic coach in 2014 and 2015.
- While continuing in his Rabotnicki job, he served as Ljubinko Druловиć's assistant with FYR Macedonia from July to October 2015, while studying for his UEFA Pro licence.
- Angelovski took temporary charge of the national team in October 2015 and enjoyed a winning debut in a 4-1 friendly win against Montenegro in Skopje the following month. He was appointed coach on a permanent basis shortly afterwards.

Elisha Levy

Date of birth: 18 November 1957

Nationality: Israeli

Playing career: Hapoel Beit She'an FC (twice), Maccabi Haifa FC, Maccabi Petach-Tikva FC

Coaching career: Hapoel Beit She'an FC (twice), Maccabi Herzliya FC, Hapoel Tzafririm Holon FC, Hapoel Ironi Rishon LeZion FC, Hapoel Kfar-Saba FC (twice), FC Ashdod, Bnei Sakhnin FC, Maccabi Haifa FC, Hapoel Beer Sheva FC

- Levy joined home-town club Hapoel Beit She'an aged 11 and stepped up to the first team in 1974, signing for Maccabi Haifa in 1982. A season later the midfielder joined Maccabi Petach-Tikva, where he spent four years prior to returning to Beit She'an, hanging up his boots in 1989.
- After steering Beit She'an up through the leagues, Levy went on to coach a number of clubs, enjoying particular success at Hapoel Ironi Rishon LeZion and Ashdod, securing a fourth-placed Premier League finish with the latter in 2001.
- Promotions to the top flight with both Hapoel Kfar-Saba (2005) and Bnei Sakhnin (2007) prompted a chance at Maccabi Haifa in 2008. Levy was an instant hit, winning the league in his first season and taking the club into the UEFA Champions League group stage the following campaign.
- Moved on after winning a second league title with Maccabi Haifa, spending three years at Hapoel Beer Sheva. He was confirmed as Israel coach on 20 April 2016, taking over from Eli Gutman.

Match officials

Referee	Andre Marriner (ENG)
Assistant referees	Jake Collin (ENG) , Gary Beswick (ENG)
Fourth official	Craig Pawson (ENG)
FIFA Match Commissioner	Pierino L.G. Lardi (SUI)
Referee observer	Marian Ruzbarsky (SVK)

Referee

Name	Date of birth		UEFA matches
Andre Marriner	01/01/1971	2	29

FIFA World Cup matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match

No such matches refereed

Other matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
01/12/2011	UEL	GS	AEK Larnaca FC	Maccabi Haifa FC	2-1	Nicosia

Competition facts

The Week of Football concept enables fans around the world to enjoy the very best action from the European Qualifiers – which will determine UEFA's representatives at the 2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia.

Qualifying for the 2018 FIFA World Cup comprises nine groups of six teams, with matches played on a home-and-away basis.

Qualifying takes place under the 'Week of Football' concept, introduced ahead of the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying campaign, in which games are spread out from Thursday to Tuesday, shining the spotlight on more teams on the road to the finals in Russia. Moreover, thanks to the Week of Football, at least 43% of matches will be played on weekends, giving fans a better chance to follow the action on television, in the stadiums and on UEFA.com.

Kick-off times will be set mainly at 18:00CET and 20:45CET on Saturdays and Sundays and at 20:45CET for Thursdays, Fridays, Mondays and Tuesdays. In double-header matchweeks, sides will play on Thursday/Sunday, Friday/Monday or Saturday/Tuesday. Each day of the Week of Football will feature eight to ten games.

The nine group winners will qualify directly for the final tournament. The eight best runners-up will contest play-offs to decide the last four qualifiers for the finals.

The 13 qualifiers then join hosts Russia in the finals to make it 14 UEFA member associations represented.

How qualification works

The other confederations have the following qualifying berths:

Africa: 5

Asia: 4.5

North and Central America and Caribbean: 3.5

Oceania: 0.5

South America: 4.5

Match-by-match lineups

FYR Macedonia

FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

Group G

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Spain	1	1	0	0	8	0	3
Italy	1	1	0	0	3	1	3
Albania	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
FYR Macedonia	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Israel	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Liechtenstein	1	0	0	1	0	8	0

Matchday 1 (06/09/2016)

Albania 2-1 FYR Macedonia

Goals: 1-0 Sadiku 9, 1-1 Alioski 51, 2-1 Balaj 89

FYR Macedonia: Zahov, L. Zhuta, Ristevski, Mojsov (89 B. Ibraimi), Sikov, Alioski, Pandev, Hasani (74 Gjorgjev), Ristovski, Stjepanovic (61 Petrovikj), Spirovski

Matchday 2 (06/10/2016)

FYR Macedonia-Israel

Matchday 3 (09/10/2016)

FYR Macedonia-Italy

Matchday 4 (12/11/2016)

Spain-FYR Macedonia

Matchday 5 (24/03/2017)

Liechtenstein-FYR Macedonia

Matchday 6 (11/06/2017)

FYR Macedonia-Spain

Matchday 7 (02/09/2017)

Israel-FYR Macedonia

Matchday 8 (05/09/2017)

FYR Macedonia-Albania

Matchday 9 (06/10/2017)

Italy-FYR Macedonia

Matchday 10 (09/10/2017)

FYR Macedonia-Liechtenstein

Israel

FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

Matchday 1 (05/09/2016)

Israel 1-3 Italy

Goals: 0-1 Pellè 14, 0-2 Candreva 31 (P) , 1-2 Ben Chaim 35, 1-3 Immobile 83

Israel: Goresh, Davidzada, Bitton (57 Atzily), Zahavi, Kayal, Hemed, Ben Chaim (62 Kehat), Yeini, Tzedek , Tibi (50 Gershon), Bitton

Matchday 2 (06/10/2016)

FYR Macedonia-Israel

Matchday 3 (09/10/2016)

Israel-Liechtenstein

Matchday 4 (12/11/2016)

Albania-Israel

Matchday 5 (24/03/2017)

Spain-Israel

Matchday 6 (11/06/2017)

Israel-Albania

Matchday 7 (02/09/2017)

Israel-FYR Macedonia

Matchday 8 (05/09/2017)

Italy-Israel

Matchday 9 (06/10/2017)

Liechtenstein-Israel

Matchday 10 (09/10/2017)

Israel-Spain

Legend

Competitions

Club competitions

UCL: UEFA Champions League
ECCC: European Champion Clubs' Cup
UEL: UEFA Europa League
UCUP: UEFA Cup
UCWC: UEFA Cup Winners' Cup
SCUP: UEFA Super Cup
UIC: UEFA Intertoto Cup
ICF: Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship
WC: FIFA World Cup
CONFCUP: FIFA Confederations Cup
FRIE: Friendly internationals
U21FRIE: Under-21 friendly internationals
U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship
U17: UEFA Under-17 Championship
U16: UEFA European Under-16 Championship
U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship
U18: UEFA European Under-18 Championship
WWC: FIFA Women's World Cup
WEURO: UEFA European Women's Championship

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

Statistics

-: Denotes player substituted
*****: Denotes player sent off

+: Denotes player introduced
+/-: Denotes player introduced and substituted

Squad list

D: Disciplinary
*****: Misses next match if booked
S: Suspended

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