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- UEFA EURO 2020 host associations/cities selected by UEFA Executive Committee
- London to host semi-finals and final of the 'EURO for Europe' after announcement in Geneva
- Baku, Munich, Rome and Saint Petersburg to hold the quarter-finals plus three group games
- Copenhagen, Bucharest, Amsterdam, Dublin, Bilbao, Budapest, Brussels and Glasgow will also host games at the finals: three group games and one round of 16
- There are a total of 13 associations/cities hosting games, chosen from 19 bids



The UEFA EURO 2020 hosts in full

#### Final and semi-finals

England/London

## Three group games, one quarter-final

Azerbaijan/Baku Germany/Munich Italy/Rome Russia/Saint Petersburg

### Three group games, one round of 16 game

Belgium/Brussels
Denmark/Copenhagen
Hungary/Budapest
Netherlands/Amsterdam
Republic of Ireland/Dublin
Romania/Bucharest
Scotland/Glasgow
Spain/Bilbao

### Background

The staging of UEFA EURO 2020 across Europe promises to provide a memorable football festival throughout the continent – and give some countries and cities the potential opportunity to be part of a tournament they may otherwise not be able to host.

UEFA's Executive Committee decided in Lausanne, Switzerland, on 6 December 2012 to stage a "EURO for Europe" in 2020, rather than a tournament in one or two host countries. The move follows an initial idea revealed by UEFA President Michel Platini at the end of UEFA EURO 2012. The Executive Committee also took its decision in the wake of positive feedback from its member national associations as part of a consultation process which took place in recent months.

Then, on 25 January 2013, the Executive Committee decided that the UEFA EURO 2020 final

# round will be staged in 13 cities around Europe

, and approved the key event and football principles for the "EURO for Europe", which include:

- The matches will be split into 13 different packages, with 12 ordinary packages including three group matches and one knockout round game (round of 16 or quarter-final) apiece, and one package for the semi-finals and the final;
- There will be a maximum of one venue per country, meaning one stadium for each of the available 13 packages. Both semi-finals and the final will be played in one stadium; and
- Every national association will be allowed to present up to two bids, one for the ordinary package and one for the semi-finals/final package. Association can decide to present the same city for their two bids or two different cities.

Projected stadiums will be admitted in the bidding process, with a deadline of 2016 for the construction of any new stadium to start, failing which the decision on such a host city could be reviewed. The required minimum net stadiums capacities should be:

- 70,000 for semi-finals/final;
- 60,000 for quarter-finals;
- 50,000 for round of 16 and group matches; and
- Up to two exceptions would be made for stadiums of a net minimum capacity of 30,000 seats, limited to group fixtures and a round of 16 game.

All teams will participate in the qualifying competition and the 13 countries staging matches will therefore not be automatically qualified. A maximum of two host teams would be drawn into each of the six final tournament groups, with every qualified host being guaranteed two home games in the group phase. There would not be any such guarantee for the knockout stages.

For the group stage, the group composition would remain subject to seeding and to a draw. However, the allocation of hosting teams to groups would also take travel distances into account (for example, and where feasible, flights would not exceed two hours' duration between host cities to allow easy access to travelling fans).

At the <u>UEFA Executive Committee meeting in Turin on 13 May 2014</u>, the voting procedure for the allocation of matches for UEFA EURO 2020 was confirmed. The winning bid for the final

and two semi-finals will be selected first, followed by the four venues which will host the quarter-finals and three group matches. Subsequently, regional zones, which will be finalised by the end of August by the UEFA Executive Committee members whose associations are not bidding, will apply for the appointment of venues for the round of 16 and three group games, before the remaining venues are decided for the remaining matches. Regional zoning, each comprising at least two venues, will ensure that games are held all over Europe.

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