



EHF EURO 2016
(17 to 31 January 2016)



Procedure for the draw of the Qualification Phase 1

Date: 23 June 2012

Time: to be defined

Venue: Monte Carlo/MON

Total entries: 38 teams

Teams at Final Tournament: 16 teams

Places available at Final Tournament: 15 teams

Qualified for Final Tournament: **Organiser**

Qualified for Qualification Phase 2:

After the matches for the Men's EHF EURO 2014 Qualification Phase 2 will have been finalized (in June 2013) the three lowest ranked 4th places of all 7 groups will play against the three winners of the EHF EURO 2016 Qualification Phase 1 two play-off matches (2 / 3 April and 5 / 6 April 2014). The winners of these play-off matches will join the other already qualified participants to the EURO 2016 Qualification Phase 2.

Qualification Phase 1:

The 9 registered teams for the EHF EURO 2016 Qualification Phase 1 are (in alphabetical order):

BEL, CYP, EST, FIN, GBR, GRE, IRL, ITA, LUX.

Phase 1 will be played in 3 groups of 3 teams. The winners of each group will play the play off matches as above mentioned.

The 9 teams are seeded based on the EHF National Team Ranking valid for the EHF EURO 2016 Qualification (including the results of the EHF EURO 2014 Qualification Phase 1 and the results of the 2013 WCh ESP Qualification Europe Phase 1):

3 Teams in pot 1: GRE, EST, FIN

3 Teams in pot 3: LUX, GBR, IRL

3 Teams in pot 2: ITA, CYP, BEL

Procedure:

Group A	Group B	Group C

Step 3: 3 teams of pot 1 to row 1

Step 2: 3 teams of pot 2 to row 2

Step 1: 3 teams of pot 3 to row 3

The EHF EURO 2016 Qualification will be played as mentioned in the registration in three periods (Oct/Nov 2012, April 2013 and June 2013). It will not be allowed to play home matches in the country of the opponent.