# EHF BEACH HANDBALL EURO २O२3 OFFCIIAL DRAW $15^{\text {th }}$ February 2023-10:00 (11:00 CET) <br> Nazarē - POR 

## 1. Number of participants

The number of participants at the EHF Beach Handball EURO 2023 shall be 16 teams per gender.

## 2. Compulsory and performance places

The 16 (per gender) teams participating at the Beach Handball EURO are composed as follows:

| Organizer | One (1) - POR |
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| Teams directly qualified to the | European teams that qualified for the IHF Beach |
| Beach Handball EURO 2023 | Handball World Championships 2022 in Greece: <br> six (6) women's teams (DEN, ESP, GER, GRE, NED, <br> NOR) and five (5) men's teams (CRO, DEN, ESP, <br> GRE, NOR) |
| Qualified teams from Beach <br> Handball Championships 2022 | Nine (9) women's teams (CRO, FRA, HUN, ITA, <br> POL, ROU, SVK, TUR, UKR) and ten (10) men's <br> teams (FRA, GER, HUN, ITA, NED, POL, ROU, SWE, <br> TUR, UKR) |

## 3. EHF Beach Handball Nations Ranking system

EHF has established a beach handball ranking system based solely on sport results, taking into consideration the national team results of the last three (3) years (both senior and YAC).

## 4. Seeding

The 16 teams will be seeded in the performance rows as follows:

| POT 1 | Performance place 1 | Performance place 2 | Performance place 3 | Performance place 4 |
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| POT 2 | Performance place 8 | Performance place 7 | Performance place 6 | Performance place 5 |


| POT 3 | Performance place 9 | Performance place 10 | Performance place 11 | Performance place 12 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| POT 4 | Performance place 16 | Performance place 15 | Performance place 14 | Performance place 13 |

The teams will be assigned the corresponding places according to the Beach Handball Nations Ranking system as follow:
WOMEN:

| POT 1 | ESP | HUN | GER | NED |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POT 2 | GRE | UKR | DEN | POL |
| POT 3 | POR | NOR | FRA | CRO |
| POT 4 | SVK | ITA | TUR | ROU |

MEN:

| POT 1 | CRO | ESP | DEN | HUN |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POT 2 | NOR | UKR | FRA | GER |
| POT 3 | POL | SWE | POR | ROU |
| POT 4 | TUR | ITA | NED | GRE |

## 5. Draw Procedure for both gender:

Step 1: Confirmation of the participating nations;
Step 2:

- Confirmation of the evaluation of the performance of the nations;
- the sixteen (16) qualified teams will be allocated in four (4) pots based on the performance criteria as stated on 4 . above.
- A fifth pot will contain letters A, B, C and D representing the four (4) preliminary round groups.
- Each team drawn will be followed by a draw of a group letter. The draw will start with pot \#4 and end with pot \#3;

Step 3: Draw pot \#4 (teams from pot \#4 will be placed respectively as A4, B4, C4, D4); Step 4: Draw pot \#2 (teams from pot \#2 will be placed respectively as A2, B2, C2, D2); Step 5: Draw pot \#1 (teams from pot \#1 will be placed respectively as A1, B1, C1, D1); Step 6: Communication with Organizer (right of choice): the Organizer has the right to choose the group on the same row;
Step 7: Announcement of the group for the Host Nation
Step 8: Draw pot \#3 (teams from pot \#3 will be placed respectively as A3, B3, C3 or D3, following the choice of the host country);
Step 9: Final resume of the groups

