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## Seeding list and procedure for the draw for the Final Stage Group phase of the Gazprom 2021 European Team Championships - Cluj 28 September - 3 October 2021

## 1. Seeding list

Men: 26 teams.

20 teams directly qualified: the European Champion 2019 (Germany), the home team (Romania) and 18 teams from the A-groups.

5 winners from the B-groups and the winner of the play-offs of the runners-up from the Bgroups.

Women: 24 teams

19 teams directly qualified: the European Champion 2019 / home team (Romania) and 18 teams from the A-groups.

4 winners from the B-groups and the winner of the play-offs of the runners-up from the Bgroups.

The teams directly qualified are seeded 1 to 20 (men) / 19 (women) first. The teams qualified from the B-groups are seeded in the remaining places.

The seeding list for these European Team Championships is made by the Ranking Committee starting with the August 2021 ITTF World Team Rankings. The following additions to this ranking have been made:

- The results of the Olympic team event of Tokyo 2020 were added and the results of the Olympic team event of Rio 2016 were removed. Counting points are those of the 3 non-expired results until 1st September 2021 with the greatest number of points, with maximum one result from a continental event.
- The points awarded for the computation based on the ITTF Table Tennis Singles World Rankings have been updated by using the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking singles list of week 35, 2021 instead of the points in the August 2021 ITTF World Team Rankings.
- The calculation is made by sorting all the Associations with ranked players descending by the sum of the points of their best three ranked players with European Title events eligibility.
- Players among the 3 highest ranked players who are eligible for the European Championships but not for World Title events and therefore not included in the World Team Ranking are included in the calculation for this seeding list.

For these Championships this is applied for the women's teams of Germany (Shan Xiaona) and Portugal (Yu Fu).

The order of the seeding lists is:

| Men |  |  |  | Women |  |  |
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| Pos. | Association | Direct/ <br> Qualif. |  | Pos. | Association | Direct/ <br> Qualif. |
| 1 | Germany | D |  | 1 | Germany | D |
| 2 | Sweden | D |  | 2 | Romania | D |
| 3 | England | D |  | 3 | Austria | D |
| 4 | Austria | D |  | 4 | Ukraine | D |
| 5 | Portugal | D |  | 5 | Hungary | D |
| 6 | France | D |  | 6 | Poland | D |
| 7 | Croatia | D |  | 7 | Russia | D |
| 8 | Slovenia | D |  | 8 | Netherlands | D |
| 9 | Romania | D |  | 9 | Sweden | D |
| 10 | Czech Republic | D |  | 10 | France | D |
| 11 | Russia | D |  | 11 | Luxembourg | D |
| 12 | Denmark | D |  | 12 | Portugal | D |
| 13 | Belarus | D |  | 13 | Czech Republic | D |
| 14 | Belgium | D |  | 14 | Belarus | D |
| 15 | Poland | D |  | 15 | Spain | D |
| 16 | Slovakia | D |  | 16 | Italy | D |
| 17 | Serbia | D |  | 17 | Slovakia | D |
| 18 | Ukraine | D |  | 18 | Serbia | D |
| 19 | Spain | D |  | 19 | Belgium | D |
| 20 | Greece | D |  | 20 | Slovenia | Q (1) |
| 21 | Italy | Q (1) |  | 21 | Croatia | Q (1) |
| 22 | Netherlands | Q (1) |  | 22 | England | Q (1) |
| 23 | Turkey | Q (1) |  | 23 | Greece | Q (1) |
| 24 | Luxembourg | Q (1) |  | 24 | Turkey | Q (2) |
| 25 | Finland | Q (1) |  |  |  |  |
| 26 | Hungary | Q (2) |  |  |  |  |
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2. The Draw

According to ETTU Handbook CT 5.11.2.
There will be 8 groups of 3 teams each (A to H).
The top 8 teams will be as nr. 1 in groups $A, B, C, D, E, F, G$ and $H$ respectively
The teams seeded 9 to 12 will be drawn on position 2 in the groups $E, F, G$ and $H$
The teams seeded 13 to 16 will be drawn on position 2 in the groups $A, B, C$ and $D$
The teams seeded 17 to 20 will be drawn on position 3 in the groups $A, B, C$ and $D$
The teams seeded 21 to 24 will be drawn on position 3 in the groups $E, F, G$ and $H$
In the Men's team event. the teams seeded 25 and 26 will be drawn on position 4 in the 2 of the groups E, F, G or H.

