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Kosovo

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Montenegro

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

2020 UEFA European Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/06/2019	QR (GS)	Montenegro - Kosovo	1-1	Podgorica	Mugoša 69; Rashica 24

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO																		
Kosovo	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	0	1	1
Montenegro	1	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	0	1	1
FIFA*																		
Kosovo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montenegro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies																		
Kosovo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montenegro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total																		
Kosovo	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	0	1	1
Montenegro	1	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	0	1	1

* FIFA World Cup/FIFA Confederations Cup

Squad list

Kosovo

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Samir Ujkani	05/07/1988	31	Torino	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Visar Bekaj	24/05/1997	22	Prishtina	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Arijanet Muric	07/11/1998	20	Nottm Forest	-	5	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Amir Rrahmani	24/02/1994	25	Verona	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Fidan Aliti	03/10/1993	26	Kalmar	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Mergim Vojvoda	01/02/1995	24	Standard Liège	-	5	1	0	0		
-	Florent Hadergjonaj	31/07/1994	25	Huddersfield	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Ibrahim Dresevic	24/01/1997	22	Heerenveen	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Leart Paqarada	08/10/1994	25	Sandhausen	*	3	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Valon Berisha	07/02/1993	26	Lazio	-	2	2	0	0		
-	Bersant Celina	09/09/1996	23	Swansea	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Milot Rashica	28/06/1996	23	Bremen	-	3	2	0	0		
-	Benjamin Kololli	15/05/1992	27	Zürich	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Herolind Shala	01/02/1992	27	Vålerenga	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Vedat Muriqi	24/04/1994	25	Fenerbahçe	-	5	3	0	0		
-	Anel Rashkaj	19/08/1989	30	Eskilstuna	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Florent Hasani	30/03/1997	22	Diósgyőr	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Idriz Voca	15/05/1997	22	Luzern	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Edon Zhegrova	31/03/1999	20	Basel	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Florent Muslija	06/07/1998	21	Hannover	-	2	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Atdhe Nuhju	29/07/1989	30	Sheff. Wednesday	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Elbasan Rashani	09/05/1993	26	Odd	-	3	1	0	0		
-	Bernard Berisha	24/10/1991	27	Akhmat	-	0	0	0	0		
Coach											
-	Bernard Challandes	26/07/1951	68		-	5	0	0	0		

Montenegro

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Milan Mijatović	26/07/1987	32	Levski	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Andrija Dragojević	25/12/1991	27	Pyunik	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Danijel Petković	25/05/1993	26	Angers	-	4	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Darko Bulatović	05/09/1989	30	Sutjeska	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Marko Simić	16/06/1987	32	Pakhtakor	*	4	0	0	0		
-	Aleksandar Šofranac	21/10/1990	28	Sutjeska	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Nemanja Sekulić	29/03/1994	25	Zeta	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Adam Marušić	17/10/1992	26	Lazio	-	6	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Aleksandar Šćekić	12/12/1991	27	Partizan	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Nikola Vukčević	13/12/1991	27	Levante	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Nebojša Kosović	24/02/1995	24	Kairat	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Damir Kojašević	03/06/1987	32	Sutjeska	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Deni Hočko	22/04/1994	25	Mouscron	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Luka Mirković	01/11/1990	28	Budućnost Podgorica	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Aleksandar Boljević	12/12/1995	23	Standard Liège	*	5	0	0	0		
-	Marko Janković	09/07/1995	24	SPAL	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Dušan Lagator	29/03/1994	25	Sochi	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Vladimir Jovović	26/10/1994	24	Jablonec	-	5	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Fatos Bećiraj	05/05/1988	31	M. Netanya	-	6	0	0	0		
-	Stefan Mugoša	26/02/1992	27	Incheon	-	5	2	0	0		
-	Sead Hakšabanović	04/05/1999	20	Norrköping	-	1	0	0	0		
Coach											
-	Faruk Hadzibegić	07/10/1957	62		-	2	0	0	0		

Head coach

Bernard Challandes

Date of birth: 28 July 1951

Nationality: Swiss

Playing career: Le Locle (twice), Urania Genève Sport, Saint-Imier

Coaching career: Saint-Imier, Le Locle, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Yverdon-Sport, Young Boys (twice), Servette, Switzerland (youth), Switzerland Under-21, Zürich, Sion, Neuchâtel Xamax, Thun, Armenia, Kosovo

- Bernard Challandes has quietly carved out an impressive coaching CV since his career started in earnest when he took over at Yverdon in 1987. He stayed in the post for seven seasons, winning four lower-league titles, before moving to Young Boys.
- His stay in Berne proved nowhere near as lengthy or successful, however, Challandes departing in 1995 with the club finishing bottom of the first phase of the 12-team Swiss top flight after collecting just 17 points. A subsequent spell at Servette proved short-lived, and there followed a lengthy spell out of the limelight, during which he coached Switzerland's Under-17 and Under-18 teams.
- The Le Locle native took over the Switzerland Under-21 side in 2001. The highlight of his six years in charge came in 2002, when a team including Alexander Frei, Ludovic Magnin and Daniel Gygax reached the UEFA European Under-21 Championship semi-finals on home soil.
- The lure of club football proved too strong for Challandes, however, and in 2007 he took charge of Zürich, leading them to the UEFA Cup round of 32 in his first season. The club's third league title in four years followed in 2009, the Swiss side securing UEFA Champions League group stage football for the first time at the start of 2009/10.
- After leaving FCZ in 2010, Challandes took charge of Sion – with whom he won the Swiss Cup in 2011 – Neuchâtel Xamax, Thun and Young Boys, committing to his first job outside Switzerland in February 2014, at the age of 62, when he was announced as the new coach of Armenia. Stepped down the following year midway through UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying, going on to work as a scout at Basel before returning to coaching with Kosovo in March 2018. Made an immediate impact, winning promotion in the UEFA Nations League later that year.

Faruk Hadžibegić

Date of birth: 7 October 1957

Nationality: Bosnian-Herzegovinian

Playing career: Sarajevo, Betis, Sochaux, Toulouse

Coaching career: Sochaux, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Betis, Troyes, Gaziantepspor, Diyarbakirspor, Denizlispor, Niort, Dijon, Bastia, Arles-Avignon, Valenciennes, Red Star, Montenegro

- One of Bosnia and Herzegovina's footballing greats, Hadžibegić won 61 caps for Yugoslavia, scoring six goals and appearing at the 1990 FIFA World Cup; he was one of three players to miss from the penalty spot in the quarter-final shoot-out defeat by Argentina.
- At club level Hadžibegić spent nine years at Sarajevo, making almost 250 appearances and winning the Yugoslavian league title in 1985; then had two seasons in Spain with Betis before a seven-year spell at French club Sochaux, hanging up his boots in 1995 following a season with Toulouse.
- Initially stayed in France to take the first steps in his coaching career, guiding Sochaux into Ligue 1 in 1997; took over the Bosnia and Herzegovina national side in March 1999 but stepped down seven months later after the team missed out on UEFA EURO 2000.
- Went back to Betis in 2000/01, taking his former club into the Spanish top flight before returning to France with Troyes; went on to have short spells in quick succession with Turkish clubs Gaziantepspor, Diyarbakirspor and Denizlispor, resuming his career in France with Niort in 2007.
- Short reigns followed at Dijon, Bastia and Arles-Avignon, whom Hadžibegić left in 2011; five years later, he returned to coaching at Valenciennes. Had six months in charge of Parisian Ligue 2 club Red Star between October 2018 and March 2019 before signing an 18-month contract to succeed Ljubiša Tumbaković as coach of Montenegro.

Match officials

Referee	Artur Dias (POR)
Assistant referees	Rui Tavares (POR) , Paulo Soares (POR)
Fourth official	Hugo Miguel (POR)
UEFA Delegate	Duncan Fraser (SCO)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA EURO matches	UEFA matches
Artur Dias	14/07/1979	4	68

Artur Dias

Referee since: 1996
First division: 2004
FIFA badge: 2010

Tournaments: 2017 FIFA U-17 World Cup, 2015 FIFA U-20 World Cup, 2013 UEFA Regions' Cup, 2011 UEFA European Under-17 Championship

Finals
2013 UEFA Regions' Cup

UEFA European Championship matches featuring 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
29/05/2014	U19	ELITE	Scotland	Montenegro	0-1	Walsall
24/03/2017	WC	QR	2608110	Iceland	1-2	Shkoder

Match-by-match lineups

Kosovo

Final tournament - Qualifying round

Group A

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
England	5	4	0	1	20	6	12
Czech Republic	6	4	0	2	11	9	12
Kosovo	5	2	2	1	10	10	8
Montenegro	6	0	3	3	3	13	3
Bulgaria	6	0	3	3	5	11	3

Matchday 2 (25/03/2019)

Kosovo 1-1 Bulgaria

Goals: 0-1 Bozhikov 39, 1-1 Zeneli 61

Kosovo: Muric, Aliti, Shala (59 Zhegrova), Kryeziu, Rashica, Celina (58 Halimi), Zeneli, Rrahmani, Vojvoda, Kololli (78 Paqarada), Muriqi

Matchday 3 (07/06/2019)

Montenegro 1-1 Kosovo

Goals: 0-1 Rashica 24, 1-1 Mugoša 69

Kosovo: Muric, Aliti, Voca, Rashica, Halimi, Celina (78 Rashani), Zeneli (39 Zhegrova), Rrahmani, Vojvoda, Muriqi, Paqarada (69 Kololli)

Matchday 4 (10/06/2019)

Bulgaria 2-3 Kosovo

Goals: 0-1 Rashica 14, 1-1 Popov 43, 2-1 Dimitrov 55, 2-2 Muriqi 64, 2-3 Rashani 90+3

Kosovo: Muric, Aliti, Voca (62 Rashkaj), Rashica, Halimi, Celina, Rrahmani, Vojvoda (62 Hadergjonaj), Kololli, Muriqi, Zhegrova (76 Rashani)

Matchday 5 (07/09/2019)

Kosovo 2-1 Czech Republic

Goals: 0-1 Schick 16, 1-1 Muriqi 20, 2-1 Vojvoda 67

Kosovo: Muric, Hadergjonaj, Aliti, Voca, Halimi (87 Rashkaj), Celina, Rashani (51 V. Berisha), Rrahmani, Vojvoda, Muriqi, Zhegrova (56 Muslija)

Matchday 6 (10/09/2019)

England 5-3 Kosovo

Goals: 0-1 V. Berisha 1, 1-1 Sterling 8, 2-1 Kane 19, 3-1 Vojvoda 38 (og) , 4-1 Sancho 44, 5-1 Sancho 45+1, 5-2 V. Berisha 49, 5-3 Muriqi 55 (P)

Kosovo: Muric, Hadergjonaj, Aliti, Voca (59 Rashkaj), Halimi, Celina, Muslija (46 Paqarada), Rrahmani, V. Berisha (85 Hasani), Vojvoda, Muriqi

Matchday 8 (14/10/2019)

Kosovo-Montenegro

Matchday 9 (14/11/2019)

Czech Republic-Kosovo

Matchday 10 (17/11/2019)

Kosovo-England

Montenegro

Final tournament - Qualifying round

Group A

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Montenegro	6	0	3	3	3	13	3
Bulgaria	6	0	3	3	5	11	3

Matchday 1 (22/03/2019)

Bulgaria 1-1 Montenegro

Goals: 0-1 Mugoša 50, 1-1 Nedelev 82 (P)

Montenegro: Petković, Stojković, N. Vukčević, Tomašević, Vešović (78 Jovović), Mugoša (89 Kosović), Janković (64 Boljević), Bećiraj, Ivanić, Simić, Marušić

Matchday 2 (25/03/2019)

Montenegro 1-5 England

Goals: 1-0 Vešović 17, 1-1 Keane 30, 1-2 Barkley 39, 1-3 Barkley 59, 1-4 Kane 71, 1-5 Sterling 81

Montenegro: Petković, Stojković, N. Vukčević, Tomašević, Vešović (70 Boljević), Mugoša, Bećiraj (61 Janković), Savić, Ivanić, Simić (74 Jovović), Marušić

Matchday 3 (07/06/2019)

Montenegro 1-1 Kosovo

Goals: 0-1 Rashica 24, 1-1 Mugoša 69

Montenegro: Mijatović, Tomašević (71 Boljević), Vešović, Mugoša, Janković (85 Jovović), Bećiraj, Vujačić, Kosović, Šćekić (59 Bakić), Simić, Marušić

Matchday 4 (10/06/2019)

Czech Republic 3-0 Montenegro

Goals: 1-0 Jankto 18, 2-0 Kopitović 49 (og) , 3-0 Schick 82 (P)

Montenegro: Mijatović, N. Vukčević (67 Savićević), Kopitović, Vešović, Bakić, Mugoša (85 Bećiraj), Vujačić, Jovović, Kosović, Radunović, Marušić (60 Janković)

Matchday 6 (10/09/2019)

Montenegro 0-3 Czech Republic

Goals: 0-1 Souček 54, 0-2 Masopust 58, 0-3 Darida 90+4 (P)

Montenegro: Petković, Radunović (73 Bećiraj), N. Vukčević (68 Bakić), Lagator, Tomašević, Vešović, Mugoša, Hočko, Kosović (73 Savićević), Boljević, Marušić

Matchday 7 (11/10/2019)

Montenegro 0-0 Bulgaria

Montenegro: Petković, Sekulić, N. Vukčević, Lagator, Bećiraj, Savić (39 Kosović), Jovović (67 Janković), Hakšabanović (82 Mirković), Boljević, Simić, Marušić

Matchday 8 (14/10/2019)

Kosovo-Montenegro

Matchday 9 (14/11/2019)

England-Montenegro

Legend

:: Previous meetings

Goals for/against: Goal totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (e.g. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw

:: Squad list

Qual.: Total European Qualifiers appearances/goals for UEFA EURO 2020 only.

FT: Total UEFA EURO 2020 appearances/goals in final tournament only.

Overall: Total international appearances/goals.

DoB: Date of birth

Age: Based on the date press kit was last updated

D: Disciplinary (*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

:: Team facts

EURO finals: The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976 (when the preliminary round and quarter-finals were considered part of qualifying).

From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the 16-team format was adopted. UEFA EURO 2016 was the first tournament to be played as a 24-team finals.

Records of inactive countries

A number of UEFA associations have been affected by dissolution or splits of member associations. For statistical purposes, the records of these inactive countries have been allocated elsewhere: therefore, all Soviet Union matches are awarded to Russia; all West Germany – but not East Germany – matches are awarded to Germany; all Yugoslavia and Serbia & Montenegro matches are awarded to Serbia; all Czechoslovakia matches are allocated to both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Abandoned/forfeited matches

For statistical purposes, when a match has been started and then abandoned but later forfeited, the result on the pitch at the time of abandonment is counted. Matches that never started and were either cancelled or forfeited are not included in the overall statistics.

Competitions

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

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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