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DELO WOMEN'S EHF Champions League
Season 2019/20

MATCH **WEEK** *OF THE*

Group B, Round 1

Team Esbjerg (DEN)

VS

CSM Bucuresti (ROU)

Blue Water Dokken (Esbjerg, DEN)

Sunday 6 October, 16:50 hrs





Go behind the scenes with the Faces of #ehfcl at the first Social Media MOTW

The DELO WOMEN'S EHF Champions League 2019/20 is ready for throw-off - and so is Anja Althaus. The legendary former line player is completing the hat-trick of Faces of #ehfcl, alongside Hannah Jackson and Markus Floth.

There is no better expert than Anja to take us backcourt at Europe's top flight in women's club handball. Anja, a three-time EHF Champions League winner, is no stranger to DELO WOMEN'S EHF Champions League coverage, having joined the team as an ambassador last season. For 2019/20, the 37-year-old German international becomes a Face of #ehfcl, using her knowledge and insights in the game to give fans a sneak peek around the iconic handball courts of Europe.

First stop: Esbjerg

Anja is starting her journey in Denmark this weekend, as she will be visiting Team Esbjerg vs CSM Bucuresti on Sunday afternoon in what will become the first Social Media Match of the Week. Throughout the campaign in the DELO WOMEN'S EHF Champions League and the VELUX EHF Champions League, our Faces of #ehfcl will be out and about courtside to give fans a unique blend of behind-the-scenes content and interviews with the people that matter the most: the players, staff and fans.

While Anja is covering the DELO WOMEN'S EHF Champions League, Hannah and Markus continue to lead the line during this season's VELUX EHF Champions League, working closely with on-site Mobile Reporters to give fans the most comprehensive coverage of top-flight handball, with court-side interviews and behind-the-scenes insights. Remember to join Anja, Hannah and Markus as our Faces of #ehfcl with their money-can't-buy experiences throughout what promises to be yet another enthralling season of EHF Champions League coverage.

So, make sure you pay our social media channels a visit to ensure you get the most of the content – and to get to know your Faces of #ehfcl.

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Facebook: @ehf.champions.league

Team Esbjerg (DEN) vs CSM Bucuresti (ROU)

Group B



Most games vs CSM Bucuresti:

Jenny Alm	2
Lara Gonzales Ortega	2
Vilde Mortensen Ingstad	2
Ida Björndalen Karlsson	2
Mette Hjort Knudsen	2
Emily Stang Sando	2
Tove Elise Seest	2
Ulrika Maria Toft Hansen	2
Laura Van der Heijden	2
Maria Mose Vestergaard	2

Most goals vs CSM Bucuresti:

Jenny Alm	10
Ida Björndalen Karlsson	9
Laura Van der Heijden	7
Lara Gonzales Ortega	4
Vilde Mortensen Ingstad	4
Ulrika Maria Toft Hansen	4

Domestic league

HTH Ligaen

Last 3 games:

02/10 vs Kobenhavn	W37:30
21/09 @ EH Aalborg	W20:29
14/09 vs Aarhus United	W29:22

Next game: 09/10 vs Horsens

Standings as of 05/10:

1. Esbjerg	6	173:137	12
2. Odense	6	170:141	8
3. Silkeborg-Voel	6	173:164	8
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14. Horsens	5	115:149	0

Sunday 6 October 2019, 16:50 hrs



Playing hall

Blue Water Dokken
Gammel Vardevej 82
6700 Esbjerg
Denmark
Capacity: 3,579

- Both sides made their debut in the competition in the 2015/16 season. While Esbjerg failed to progress from the qualification tournament, CSM were the second club after Zvezda Zvenigorod (2008) to win the trophy as a debutant. They beat Györ in the one and only final to be decided in a penalty shoot-out.

- Since the 2015/16 season, CSM reached at least the quarter-finals every season and three times they made it to the EHF FINAL4, while Esbjerg are set for their second group matches appearance having reached the main round in 2016/17.

- Both sides are hit by injuries to key players: Esbjerg's Dutch star Estevana Polman missed the EHF EURO qualifiers last weekend, while on CSM's side Cristina Neagu, Nora Mork and Elizabeth Omeregic are ruled out with knee injuries.

- Ten new players arrived at CSM in the summer, while ten left.

- Crina Pintea and Nora Mork arrived at CSM as current champions from Györ, new arrivals Denisa Dedu and Gabriela Perianu won the 2018/19 EHF Cup with Hungarian side Siofok, beating Esbjerg in the final on aggregate (21:21, 26:21).

- Swedish defensive boss Linnea Torstensson and Spanish right wing Carmen Martin, who returned to CSM from Nice, were part of the 2016 team, which won the competition.

- Among those ten players, who left, were three former champions: Amanda Kurtovic (to Györi Audi ETO KC), Majda Mehmedovic and Jovanka Radicevic (both to Buducnost).

- With the departure of coach Tomas Ryde on 1 October after just two months in charge, replaced by Adrian Vasile CSM have had 11 coaching changes in the past five seasons, with four Danish coaches - Mette Klit, Kim Rasmussen, Jakob Vestergaard and Helle Thomsen; three Swedish coaches - Per Johansson (two stints), Magnus Johansson and Tomas Ryde; one Romanian coach, Aurelian Rosca, and one Serbian coach, Dragan Djukic.

- Esbjerg coach Jesper Jensen previously coached Aalborg's men's team in the CL and used to play for Skjern Handbold.

- Currently injured CSM captain Cristina Neagu is the only female to be awarded IHF Player of the Year four times (2010, 2015, 2016, 2018). Serbian back court Andrea Lekic won in 2013.

- Marit Malm Frafjord (Esbjerg) and Nora Mork (CSM) were World and European champions with Norway, Frafjord also added two Olympic gold medals in 2008 and 2012.

- Four players of both clubs had been part of the Norwegian gold medallists at EHF EURO 2016: Nora Mork (CSM), Marit Malm Frafjord, Vilde Mortensen Ingstad and Sanne Solberg (all Esbjerg); on the other side, Dutch left back Estevana Polman lost in the final.

- No non-Norwegian CL participants have more Norwegian players in their squad than Esbjerg with six, one more than Györ.

- Esbjerg count on players from seven nations (DEN, NOR, SWE, ISL, NED, GBR, AUT), Bucharest have eight nations represented in their squad (ROU, SRB, MNE, CRO, SWE, ESP, NOR, SLO).

Round 1



Most games vs Team Esbjerg:

Camille Ayglon Saurina	2
Bianca Bazaliu	2
Simone Böhme Kristensen	2
Aurelia Bradeanu	2
Iulia Vasilica Curea	2
Elena Dache	2
Jelena Grubisic	2
Isabelle Guldén	2
Alina Iordache	2
Anastasiya Lobach	2
Oana Andreea Manea	2
Carmen Martin Berenguer	2
Majda Mehmedovic	2
Gnonsiane Niombla	2
Linnea Torstensson	2
Paula Claudia Ungureanu	2

Most goals vs Team Esbjerg:

Carmen Martin Berenguer	11
Aurelia Bradeanu	7
Isabelle Guldén	7
Majda Mehmedovic	7
Linnea Torstensson	7

Domestic league

Liga Nationala

Last 3 games:

19/09 @ Bergischer	W29:34
12/09 vs Flensburg-Handewitt	W28:24
07/09 @ Magdeburg	L32:31

Next game: 06/10 @ Lemgo

Standings as of 05/10:

1. Ramnicu Valcea	5	135:100	15
2. Corona Brasov	5	141:110	15
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5. CSM Bucuresti	5	128:111	9
...			
14. Rapid Bucuresti	5	109:148	0

Previous matches in European Cup competitions

Team Esbjerg vs CSM Bucuresti 0-0-2 (45:58) 0:4

12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti vs Team Esbjerg, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	33:25 (17:13)
12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg vs CSM Bucuresti, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	20:25 (7:12)

Details of last Team Esbjerg vs CSM Bucuresti match: 12.03.2017 (Esbjerg, DEN)

Team Esbjerg vs CSM Bucuresti 20:25 (7:12) (WOMEN'S EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2)

Referees: Peter Brunovsky/Vladimir Canda (Slovakia).

Suspensions: 2' – 2' (Ingstad 2' – Martin Berenguer 2').

Number of 7m: 3/3 – 0.

Attendance: 1458.



Emily Stang Sando
Alberte Stenderup Rasmussen

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Mette Hjort Knudsen
Ulrika Maria Toft Hansen
Tove Elise Seest
Laura Van der Heijden
Jenny Alm

Ida Björndalen Karlsson
Lara Gonzales Ortega
Maria Mose Vestergaard
Nanna Friis-Traberg

Vilde Mortensen Ingstad

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Alina Iordache
Paula Claudia Ungureanu
Jelena Grubisic

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Isabelle Gulldén
Iulia Vasilica Curea
Elena Dache
Camille Ayglon Saurina

Bianca Bazaliu
Aurelia Bradeanu
Linnea Torstensson
Carmen Martin Berenguer

Oana Andreea Manea
Gnonsiane Niombla
Anastasiya Lobach
Majda Mehmedovic
Simone Böhme Kristensen



Most goals in one game for Team Esbjerg vs CSM Bucuresti:

Jenny Alm	7	12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti-Team Esbjerg	33:25
Ida Björndalen Karlsson	5	12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg-CSM Bucuresti	20:25
Ida Björndalen Karlsson	4	12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti-Team Esbjerg	33:25
Laura Van der Heijden	4	12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg-CSM Bucuresti	20:25
Laura Van der Heijden	3	12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti-Team Esbjerg	33:25
Rikke Riber Zachariassen	3	12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti-Team Esbjerg	33:25
Jenny Alm	3	12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg-CSM Bucuresti	20:25
Ulrika Maria Toft Hansen	3	12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg-CSM Bucuresti	20:25

Most goals in one game for CSM Bucuresti vs Team Esbjerg:

Carmen Martin Berenguer	6	12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti-Team Esbjerg	33:25
Gnonsiane Niombla	5	12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti-Team Esbjerg	33:25
Aurelia Bradeanu	5	12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg-CSM Bucuresti	20:25
Carmen Martin Berenguer	5	12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg-CSM Bucuresti	20:25
Anastasiya Lobach	4	12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti-Team Esbjerg	33:25
Linnea Torstensson	4	12.02.2017	CSM Bucuresti-Team Esbjerg	33:25
Isabelle Gulldén	4	12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg-CSM Bucuresti	20:25
Majda Mehmedovic	4	12.03.2017	Team Esbjerg-CSM Bucuresti	20:25

Last 10 games in the DELO WOMEN'S EHF Champions League:

Team Esbjerg: current run – lost two



12.03.2017 Esbjerg DEN	vs CSM Bucuresti ROU	L 20:25
05.03.2017 Győr HUN	@ Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	L 33:22
26.02.2017 Esbjerg DEN	vs FC Midtjylland DEN	W 22:21
12.02.2017 București ROU	@ CSM Bucuresti ROU	L 33:25
05.02.2017 Esbjerg DEN	vs Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	L 26:32
29.01.2017 Ikast DEN	@ FC Midtjylland DEN	L 38:26
20.11.2016 Esbjerg DEN	vs IK Sävehof SWE	W 29:18
12.11.2016 Ljubljana SLO	@ RK Krim Mercator SLO	L 27:22
05.11.2016 Larvik NOR	@ Larvik NOR	L 30:29
30.10.2016 Esbjerg DEN	vs Larvik NOR	L 24:31

CSM Bucuresti: current run – winless in five



13.04.2019 Metz FRA	@ Metz Handball FRA	L 23:22
05.04.2019 București ROU	vs Metz Handball FRA	L 26:31
08.03.2019 București ROU	vs Thüringer HC GER	D 23:23
02.03.2019 Ljubljana SLO	@ RK Krim Mercator SLO	L 23:22
23.02.2019 București ROU	vs Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	L 25:27
10.02.2019 Nordhausen GER	@ Thüringer HC GER	W 30:38
02.02.2019 București ROU	vs RK Krim Mercator SLO	W 32:26
26.01.2019 Győr HUN	@ Györi Audi ETO KC HUN	L 36:27
18.11.2018 București ROU	vs SG BBM Bietigheim GER	W 32:24
11.11.2018 Érd HUN	@ FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria HUN	W 28:34

Team Esbjerg vs Romanian clubs 4-0-3

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2010/11	HC 'Dunarea' Braila	25:22	21:20	EHF Cup – Last 16
2015/16	HCM Baia Mare		21:32	EHF Champions League – Qualification Tournament Group 2
2016/17	CSM Bucuresti	20:25	25:33	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2
2018/19	Sports Club Magura Cisnadie	41:18	32:19	EHF Cup – Group A

CSM Bucuresti vs Danish clubs 8-0-2

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2015/16	FC Midtjylland	24:22	28:23	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2
2016/17	FC Midtjylland	26:20	21:24	EHF Champions League – Group C
2016/17	Team Esbjerg	33:25	25:20	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2
2017/18	NFH – Nykøbing Falster Håndboldklub	39:26	22:25	EHF Champions League – Group A
2017/18	FC Midtjylland	29:24	31:26	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1



Team Esbjerg players' career statistics against CSM Bucuresti

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Rikke Marie Granlund	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jane Maria Mayes Harkes	GBR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Rikke Vestergaard Poulsen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Kristine Breistøl	NOR	2	1	1	0	5	2,50	3	2'
Clara Monti Danielsson	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Marit Malm Frafjord	NOR	2	1	1	0	8	4,00	7	0
Sonja Frey	AUT	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Elma Halicevic	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Vilde Mortensen Ingstad	NOR	2	0	0	2	4	2,00	2 (2)	4'
Marit Røsberg Jacobsen	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Annette Jensen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Rut Arnfjörd Jónsdóttir	ISL	1	1	0	0	1	1,00	1	0
Line Anna Ryborg Jørgensen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Stella Kate Muir	GBR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Lene Østergaard Nielsen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Estavana Polman	NED	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Helena Selina Sall	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Sanna Charlotte Solberg	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Kathrine Lange Sørensen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Line Mølgaard Thorius	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Kristine Breistøl (Larvik 2016/17); Marit Malm Frafjord (Larvik 2016/17); Rut Arnfjörd Jónsdóttir (FC Midtjylland 2016/17); Sanna Charlotte Solberg (Larvik 2016/17 – DNP)



CSM Bucuresti players' career statistics against Team Esbjerg

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Denisa-Stefania Dedu	ROU	2	1	1	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jelena Grubisic	CRO	2	2	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Madalina Ion	ROU	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Maria Claudia Constantinescu	ROU	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Iulia Vasilica Curea	ROU	2	2	0	0	2	1,00	1 (2)	0
Dragana Cvijic	SRB	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Itana Grbic	MNE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Oana Stefania Jipa	ROU	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Andrea Klikovac	MNE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Andrea Lekic	SRB	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Bianca Sorina Marin	ROU	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Carmen Dolores Martin Berenguer	ESP	2	2	0	0	11	5,50	6	2'
Laura Moisa	ROU	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Nora Mørk	NOR	2	2	0	0	8	4,00	5	0
Cristina Georgiana Neagu	ROU	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Elizabeth Omoregie	SLO	2	1	0	1	9	4,50	7	6'
Gabriela Perianu	ROU	5	2	1	2	3	0,60	2	8'
Crina Elena Pintea	ROU	2	0	0	2	13	6,50	8	6' (D)
Linnea Torstensson	SWE	4	3	0	1	21	5,25	7 (2)	6'
Denisa Andreea Valcan	ROU	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Denisa-Stefania Dedu (Siófok KC Hungary 2018/19); Nora Mørk (Györi Audi ETO KC 2016/17); Elizabeth Omoregie (RK Krim Mercator 2016/17); Gabriela Perianu (HC 'Dunarea' Braila 2010/11, HCM Baia Mare 2015/16, Siófok KC Hungary 2018/19); Crina Elena Pintea (Paris 92 2018/19); Linnea Torstensson (FC Midtjylland Handball 2010/11)



Clubs to stream post-match press conferences live

Fans of women's top-level club handball will be in for a real treat when the DELO WOMEN'S EHF Champions League 2019/20 season gets underway this weekend. Following a successful start of the project in the VELUX EHF Champions League, the clubs in the women's top flight of Europe will now also treat their fans on social media with bonus coverage after each game. Throughout the whole season, handball enthusiasts will get a precious glimpse into the post-match procedures as the official press conferences will be streamed live on the home team's social media channels.

Fans will be able to enjoy privileges of the accredited media and get the first-hand reactions of both head coaches and one player of each team. The press conferences will start approximately 15 minutes after the final whistle and clubs will promote the streaming on their channels. This will create also an extra opportunity for supporters to interact and engage with their favourite clubs. This content has collected a total of 100,000 views on the clubs' social media channels in the first three rounds of the VELUX EHF Champions League.

See below the list of the social media channels, where the clubs will stream the post-match press conferences after the DELO WOMEN'S EHF Champions League matches:

GROUP A

Metz Handball - <https://www.facebook.com/MetzHandballOfficial/>

Vipers Kristiansand - <https://www.facebook.com/VipersKristiansand/>

HC Podravka Vegeta - <https://www.facebook.com/Rukometni-klub-Podravka-Vegeta-710841175666748/>

FTC-Rail Cargo Hungaria - <https://www.facebook.com/ftckezilabda/>

GROUP B

Rostov-Don - <https://vk.com/rostovhandball>

Team Esbjerg - <https://www.facebook.com/TeamEsbjerg/>

MKS Perla Lublin - <https://www.facebook.com/mkslublin>

CSM Bucuresti - <https://www.facebook.com/CSMBOfficial/>

GROUP C

SCM Ramnicu Valcea - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCHPt33mwV7PjhEXDPbvHbPg>

Buducnost – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuuTfaTuJ0SNY2cQTVwvPgw>

SG BBM Bietigheim - <https://www.facebook.com/SGBBM/>

Brest Bretagne Handball - <https://www.facebook.com/BBHOfficial/>

GROUP D

Györi Audi ETO KC - <https://www.facebook.com/gyoriaudietokofficial/>

IK Sävehof - <https://www.facebook.com/savehof/>

RK Krim Mercator - <https://www.facebook.com/rkkrim/>

DHK Banik Most - <https://www.facebook.com/mosthandball/>

