

# HBC NANTES vs Orlen VISŁA PŁOCK

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### **Foreword EHF President**

#### Dear handball friends,

We would like to extend the warmest of welcomes to you all to the Machineseeker EHF Champions League play-offs, taking place on 22/23 and 29/30 March 2023.

Thanks to the exciting format of the group phase, which is now in its third season, we have seen 14 rounds of incredible handball action, culminating in four clubs qualifying directly for the quarter-finals, and eight more reaching this stage, the play-offs.

Whatever happens in the play-offs, we are guaranteed to see some fascinating storylines play out; we not only have an all-Danish rivalry between Aalborg Håndbold and GOG to look forward to, but an exclusively Hungarian affair too between OTP Bank-PICK Szeged and Telekom Veszprém HC.

Our four other play-off participants take the number of nations represented at this stage to six – Germany, Poland, France and Romania as well as Denmark and Hungary. Orlen Wisla Plock welcome HBC Nantes for their first leg tie, while C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti and their supporters are sure to create a raucous atmosphere when four-time champions THW Kiel come to town.

Thanks to reigning champions Barça advancing directly to the quarter-finals, seven nations are still represented in the competition as a whole. They topped group B ahead of last year's beaten finalists Industria Kielce, while Paris Saint-Germain Handball and SC Magdeburg were the top two in group A.

Barça lie in wait for the winners of the Danish duel, while a trip to Kielce is the prize for the all-Hungarian tie victors. Either Plock or Nantes will move on to Magdeburg, meaning Paris will face the winners of Dinamo vs Kiel.

The winners of those ties will have achieved what many of these teams sought out to do back at the start of the campaign – reaching the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 2023. The event will once again be played at the LANXESS arena in Cologne on 17 and 18 June, as we discover who will take the most coveted prize in club handball for 2023. Ticket information for what will surely be an amazing festival of handball can be found on the official website: ehfcl.eurohandball.com

We wish the very best of luck to the teams participating in the play-offs.

Yours in sport,

Michael Wiederer EHF President





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#	SURNAME	NAME	NATIONALITY	POS.	YEAR	HEIGHT (CM)	WEIGHT (KG)	SELECTION	
1	Ivan	PEŠIĆ	Croatia	GK	1989	194	110	Croatia	
2	Rubén	MARCHÁN	Spain	LP	1994	204	120	Spain	
3	Thibaud	BRIET	France	LB	1999	205	95	France	
4	Aymeric	MINNE	France	СВ	1997	186	76	France Youth	
5	Lucas	DE LA BRETÈCHE	France	СВ	2001	193	85	France Youth	
6	Linus	PERSSON	Sweden	RB	1993	190	95	Sweden	
7	Valero	RIVERA©	Spain	LW	1985	186	83	Spain	
8	Alexandre	CAVALCANTI	Portugal	LB	1996	203	102	Portugal	
9	Alexander	SHKURINSKIY	Russia	LB	1995	193	92	Russia	
10	Rok	OVNIČEK	Slovenia	СВ	1995	183	81	Slovenia	
11	Baptiste	DAMATRIN	France	LW	2000	177	81	France Youth	
14	Pedro	PORTELA	Portugal	RW	1990	186	86	Portugal	
15	Jorge	MAQUEDA	Spain	RB	1988	197	102	Spain	
16	Viktor	HALLGRÍMSSON	Iceland	GK	2000	203	115	Iceland	
17	Jérémy	тото	France	LP	1992	197	106		
18	Théo	MONAR	France	LP	2001	198	95	France	
19	Kauldi	ODRIOZOLA	Spain	RW	1997	182	85	Spain	
21	Manuel	GASPAR	Portugal	GK	1998	193	103	Portugal	





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1	Ignacio	BIOSCA	ESP	GK	1996	193	90
3		DASZEK©	POL		1992	182	87
6	Tin	LUCIN	CRO	LB	1999	196	98
9	Kosuke	YASUHIRA	JPN	СВ	2000	173	70
11	Marcel	SROCZYK	POL	LW	1998	184	78
17	Abel	SERDIO	ESP	LP	1994	196	115
19	Leon	ŠUŠNJA	CRO	LP	1993	204	116
20	Krystian	WITKOWSKI	POL	GK	1999	200	103
22	Daniel	SARMIENTO	ESP	СВ	1983	186	86
25	Krzysztof	KOMARZEWSKI	POL	RW	1998	188	85
26	Przemyslaw	KRAJEWSKI	POL	LW	1987	184	85
29	Gonzalo	PÉREZ ARCE	ESP	RW	1998	175	70
30	Mirsad	TERZIC	BIH	LB	1983	196	110
55	Niko	MINDEGIA	ESP	СВ	1988	182	85
33	Dawid	DAWYDZIK	POL	LP	1994	200	119
34	Lovro	MIHIC	CRO	LW	1994	181	81
89	Dmitry	ZHITNIKOV	RUS	СВ	1989	197	100
99	Sergei Mark	KOSOROTOV	RUS	LB	1999	200	95

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