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**UEFA Affiliation**  
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**Number of Clubs**  
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**Registered Players**  
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**Number of Referees**  
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**Number of Coaches**  
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# A YEAR OF GREAT SUCCESS

EAGLES FLY TO QATAR

## COMEBACK TO THE MAP OF THE WORLD BEST TEAMS



With the arrival of Dragan Stojković as the head-coach of the A team, Serbia is back on the map of the best teams in the world. The Eagles ended their qualifications for the FIFA World Cup in Qatar in 2022 with a win that will remain written in gold in the history of Serbian football. On 14th November 2021, in the decisive match for the first place in the group and direct qualification for the world football fair, Portugal was defeated in Lisbon – 2:1! We won in a way that showed how much faith, knowledge



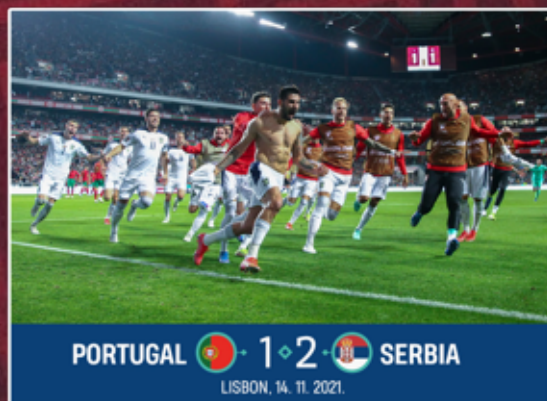
Serbia of the coach Stojković respects every rival, but above all, it believes in itself, its strength and talent. The nation believes in what Stojković and the players are doing, and together they say again and again that the qualifications are only the first part of the story. There is a new challenge ahead of us, an exciting new journey, a trip to Qatar where we are to face matches with the best teams in the world.













FIFA WORLD CUP QUALIFIERS

GROUP A

	<b>SERBIA</b>	8	6	2	0	18:9	<b>20</b>
	<b>PORTUGAL</b>	8	5	2	1	17:6	<b>17</b>
	<b>IRELAND</b>	8	2	3	3	11:8	<b>9</b>
	<b>LUXEMBOURG</b>	8	3	0	5	8:18	<b>9</b>
	<b>AZEIRBAIJAN</b>	8	0	1	7	5:18	<b>1</b>









# BORN AS A WINNER

## 610 DAYS OF DRAGAN STOJKOVIĆ

### ON THE BENCH OF THE SERBIAN TEAM

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Dragan Stojković left a big mark as a player, he was and remains one of the best in the history of Yugoslav and Serbian football, and his actions on the coaches' bench also show that he was born a winner. 610 days since one of the greatest sons of the football game has been the head-coach of our best national team, a period during which he restored Serbia's reputation and brought it back on the map of the best teams in the world.

With his knowledge and charisma, faith in himself and the team he leads, he brought respect to Serbia, and the best confirmation of his understanding of the game came during the Lisbon night, when he made the entire football world bow down to Serbia. Piksi's Serbia is going to Qatar with a smile, respecting others, but above all, believing in its own team.

We remember the start of the qualifiers, on 24th March 2021, and the match played with the Republic of Ireland at the "Rajko Mitić" stadium. It was from minus to plus, until it was 3:2. Even then one could see a new form of Serbia, a Serbia that rises when it falls, a Serbia that moves the borders by itself and with the strength of its beliefs in its possibilities. And as it began, so it ended, in Lisbon. When no one believed, HE showed how one could defeat even



the best. It was from minus to plus all over again. It was for the history, and after 30 years the national team achieved a result, a victory that would be recounted by generations. HE believed, HE showed, but also talked about it all the time – it is 11 against 11 on the pitch, it is time for others to think about us. Why not beat Portugal in Lisbon? Do they fly? No. We are Serbia. So it happened. Maybe it was a miracle for some, but for him, because his understanding of football is very simple, and simplicity in football is the most difficult, it is a path to perfection. That is why he was a great player and is a great coach. He respects everyone, but himself and his players the most and he passed that on to Tadić, Mitrović and the rest of the team of the Eagles.

It is worth remembering, he took over the team of Serbia when we were on our knees after another failure in the EURO qualifiers. The atmosphere in and around the team was frustrating, people lost faith that it could get better. Then HE appeared and said, “We are going to Qatar!” There were few who believed in it. If anyone had no doubts, they were definitely convinced that “nothing better could happen” after the Belgrade 0:2 halftime result with Portugal. He came to the dressing room and told the players, “it was good, but we can do better, let’s go and win.” The current European and the Nations League champion never knew what hit them in the second half. It was almost a com-





plete twist and turnaround. He seemed calm after the match, as if something usual had happened. After all, the public witnessed a similar reaction before the trip to Lisbon. The now legendary scene and Mister's answer: "What do you mean IF we maybe qualify for the World Cup? We have to go to Qatar!" And we are going to Qatar! His words simply mirror his actions. He does not say them to make someone like them, there are faith and hard work behind those words. It is HIM; it is Piksi. A man who will say, why not be the world champions?! After all, we do have players in the team who already were the best in the world, at the age of 20. No one believes in the team we have like HE does. That is why he is a winner, an expert who made Serbia smile again. Twenty months have passed, let us keep on dreaming, Qatar is waiting for us, and everything is possible with Mister.









Knowledge, but above all trust, are important in every field of work, and the head-coach Dragan Stojković has people by his side he can rely on and implement all the set goals. Those are people with great careers, great football names, achieved individuals even after one great period in their lives has ended. Stevan Stojanović is the A team director, a person with vast experience, ready to advise and help in order for the entire FAS sports sector to function successfully.

Sitting on the bench, together with Mister, are great names who gave so much to the national team – Goran Đorović and Ljubinko Drulović, then Bratislav Živković, who was also a great player once, and then a coach in many countries. Goran Čumić is in charge of the goalkeepers, he used to be very successful in his job in the Arab world and in Greece and Cyprus before that. All of them have a positive attitude, but above all, a very professional one. Of course, there is also Katsushito Kinoshi, Japanese, a pleasant guy, always smiling and ready with a joke. Nebojša Stamenković is in charge of analytics, and the list of the technical staff that functions as a good team includes doctors, physiotherapists, a team manager, kitmen, and press officer and media-marketing team always accompany the team and take care of all its activity logistics.





**BUILT TO BE  
BRAVE**



FIFA WORLD CUP 2022

# DRAW DECIDED – RIVALS FROM RUSSIA IN DOHA



FIFA WORLD CUP  
Qatar 2022

Serbia is in Group G at the World Cup in Qatar, together with “acquaintances” from the World Cup in Russia in 2018 – Brazil and Switzerland. The third rival is Cameroon, and we also know the times and venues of the Eagles’ matches.

Serbia will begin its World Cup in Qatar in a match with Brazil, at the Lusail stadium, on Thursday, 24th November at 22:00 hrs (local time), i.e. at 20:00 (CET). The Lusail stadium is also the venue of the World Cup finals, to be played on 18th December. The stadium capacity is 80,000 spectators, and after the tournament it will be reduced to 40,000 seats.

## Group



**Brazil**



**Serbia**



**Switzerland**



**Cameroon**





The team of Dragan Stojković will then face Cameroon. That match is to be played at the Al Janoub Stadium, Al Wakrah, near Doha, on Monday, 28th November at 11:00 CET. End of the group stage will mean a match with Switzerland, to be played at the Stadium 974, on Friday, 2nd December at 20:00 hrs. This stadium is completely prefabricated and will be dismantled immediately after the end of the tournament. The name comes from the area code for Qatar, 974, but it is also the total number of containers (of various colours) used to build the stadium.

If Serbia manages to qualify for the round of 16, the team will play either on 5th December (at the same stadium, and if we finish as the first in the group) or on 6th December (at the Lusail stadium, if we qualify as the second in the group). Both matches are scheduled to be played at 20:00 CET.





## Match Schedule



### BRAZIL - SERBIA

24 November  
20:00  
Lusail Stadium  
Lusail City



### CAMEROON - SERBIA

28 November  
11:00  
Al-Janoub Stadium  
Doha



### SERBIA - SWITZERLAND

2 DECEMBER  
20:00  
STADIUM 974  
AL-WAKRAH



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THE PRIDE OF FOOTBALL SERBIA

# 2021 GOLDEN BALL TO JELENA ČANKOVIĆ, DUŠAN TADIĆ AND DRAGAN STOJKOVIĆ



A day to remember, a day that remains recorded for all times and recognitions to those who marked the year of 2021 with their work and achievements. In the year when Serbia qualified for the World Cup with a magnificent victory against its direct opponent, the team of Portugal in Lisbon, when our best clubs qualified for the knock-out stage of the European competitions, when we witnessed many great performances by various national teams, we chose the best. The traditional FAS Golden Ball awards went to the coach Dragan Stojković, team captain Dušan Tadić and great Jelena Čanković, a player of our best women's national team. A year to be remembered was marked in the presence of Serbian football and sports best of the best and many public figures.







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## EXHIBITION "THE ROAD TO QATAR"

# A LOOK BACK ON ALL THE MATCHES, A REMINDER OF A YEAR OF SUCCESS

Serbia got its new winners of the FAS Golden Ball awards and the beautiful event at the Hyatt Hotel was enriched by the FA of Serbia and its marketing – media team with the "Road to Qatar" exhibition. The retrospective of all the matches of our national team, with the final words of the head-coach Dragan Stojković, reminded the attendees once again of the great achievement of the Eagles. FAS marketing – media team also paid great attention to the other national teams of the FA, above all to futsal team, youth teams and our girls who dream of going to the World Cup. Part of the exhibition was dedicated to the socially responsible activities carried out in 2021 by the marketing – media team led by Vanja Kostić, marketing director and the main creator of numerous events.



FIFA WORLD CUP  
Qatar 2022

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# UEFA NATIONS LEAGUE A NEW SUCCESS AND A PLACE IN THE ELITE EUROPEAN GROUP

After qualifying for the World Cup, Serbian team achieved another success – the team managed to qualify for the elite group of the European teams. UEFA Nations League draw put Serbia in the group together with Norway, Sweden and Slovenia.



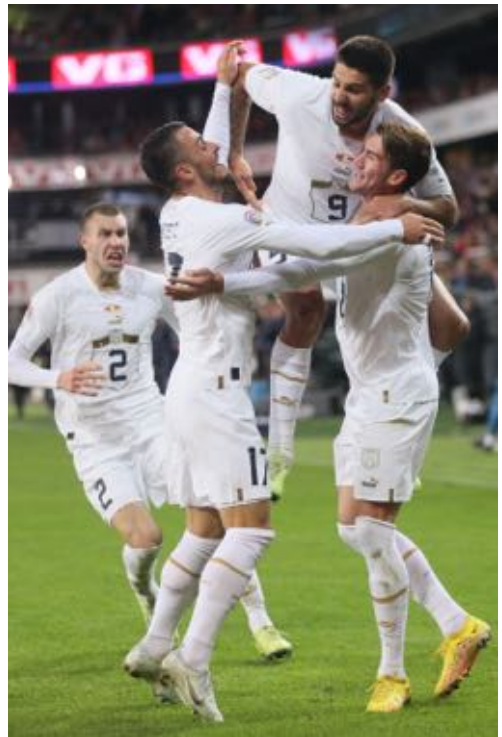
“This is a very difficult group. It is maybe the most difficult in the League B. Our priority is the first place, and we will fight to be the best. It will not be easy, but I believe that we can reach that goal. We respect all the opponents, and their quality, but we respect ourselves the most. In any case, this is a good warm-up time for the World Cup. These matches will be quality tests and the upcoming cycle in the Nations League is just another one in the series of challenges that awaits us”, said the head-coach Dragan Stojković. He said it and he did







it. After the November night in Lisbon, Serbia will remember the September night in Oslo for a long time. Norway, but also Europe, bowed to the Eagles performance, the game that won the hearts of all football fans. There were domination and superiority on one side and powerlessness of the opponent on the other. And it all happened with respect, but above all with faith in themselves and their abilities. That is Dragan Stojković's Serbia. The Eagles won the first place in the group and qualified in the Nations League A division.





SERBIA



0 + 1



NORWAY



SERBIA



4 + 1



SLOVENIA



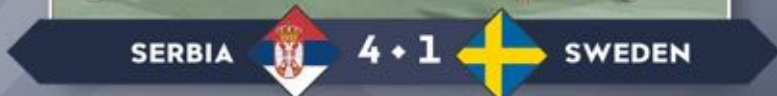
SWEDEN



0 + 1



SERBIA



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	<b>NORWAY</b>	6	3	1	2	7:7	<b>10</b>
	<b>SLOVENIA</b>	6	1	3	2	6:10	<b>6</b>
	<b>SWEDEN</b>	6	1	1	4	7:11	<b>4</b>







# RESULTS

SERBIA  0 + 1  NORWAY

SERBIA  4 + 1  SLOVENIA

SWEDEN  0 + 1  SERBIA

SLOVENIA  2 + 2  SERBIA

SERBIA  4 + 1  SWEDEN

NORWAY  0 + 2  SERBIA



DRAW FOR EURO 2024

# SERBIA IN A GROUP WITH HUNGARY, MONTENEGRO, BULGARIA, AND LITHUANIA

The draw for the qualifications that will take the winners to EURO 2024 was held in Frankfurt. The "Eagles" will have Hungary, Montenegro, Bulgaria, and Lithuania as their rivals on their way to Germany.

"Yes, I am satisfied with the group, but no one should be underestimated. We have not been doing that before, nor we ever will." Simply, our goal is set, regardless of the names of the rivals, and that is to take part in the European Championship after 24 years. And we will do everything to participate in such a big competition," said coach Dragan Stojković.

## GROUP G



HUNGARY



SERBIA



MONTENEGRO



BULGARIA



LITHUANIA





UEFA  
**EURO2024**  
GERMANY

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING



# DRAW

MARCH - NOVEMBER 2023.

SERBIA



24. MARCH



LITHUANIA

MONTENEGRO



27. MARCH



SERBIA

BULGARIA



20. JUNE



SERBIA

SERBIA



7. SEPTEMBER



HUNGARY

LITHUANIA



10. SEPTEMBER



SERBIA

HUNGARY



14. OCTOBER



SERBIA

SERBIA



17. OCTOBER



MONTENEGRO

SERBIA



19. NOVEMBER



BULGARIA



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Nemoj da mračiš. Popij svetlo.  
**IDEMO DALJE!**





will continue to bring joy to your country. And while Serbia is great on the field, it has made very positive progress off the field of play since our last meeting a few months ago. I want to sincerely thank General Secretary Jovan Šurbatović and his team for their tireless efforts in creating a much-needed new legal framework for Serbian football, despite the constant challenges.

The proposed changes are the result of constructive and successful consultations. UEFA and FIFA have approved and fully support these amendments. The new Statutes and the new Rules of Procedure will make the necessary clear changes with FAS at all levels of its organizational structure and will ensure full compliance with the UEFA and FIFA legal frameworks. Most importantly, the changes will ensure a balanced and more inclusive membership structure, a clear division of powers with control and balance, will strengthen independent decision-making, consolidate the Assembly as the highest legislative body, introduce transparent rules for elections and increase overall transparency and accountability. After today's extraordinary Assembly of the FAS, UEFA and FIFA will of course continue to assist the FAS in ensuring the implementation of further





positive governance reforms. As a next step, all regional federations will have to harmonize their statutes with the FAS Statutes.

Once this is done, elections will be held from the bottom of the football pyramid until the election of a new FAS ExCo for a four-year term, as soon as possible, in accordance with the election timeline. Finally, we must also ensure that the relevant competition regulations, refereeing issues, anti-match-fixing measures, standard player contracts, as well as the procedures of the existing National Dispute Resolution Board are reviewed to ensure full compliance with UEFA and FIFA requirements until the beginning of the 2022/23 season. In this regard, we are very pleased with the commitment of FAS to participate in the recently formed Taskforce of the European Commission for social dialogue. This working group, consisting of representatives from UEFA, the Association of European Football Clubs and FIFPro, will provide a platform for a constructive social dialogue involving all stakeholders – namely the FSS, the leagues, the players' union, and the clubs. The aim is to find tailor-made solutions, to ensure the implementation of the minimum requirements in standard contracts for players and to bring the National Dispute Resolution Chamber in line with international requirements and standards. Finally, I would like to commend the FAS management for their uncompromising fight against match-fixing. It is a key challenge that requires our constant support and efforts, to eradicate this phenomenon and preserve the integrity and fair football competitions. Thank you for your warm welcome and attention," said the UEFA representative, Luca Nicola.

After the deliberations, the new Statutes of the Football Association of Serbia was adopted unanimously. A new Rulebook on the work of the FAS Assembly was also adopted, also unanimously. The decision to announce the elections was adopted and the Executive Committee was authorized to determine the start date for all activities.

# RECOGNITIONS FOR GREAT RESULTS

## **THE "MAY AWARD" AND THE MOST SUCCESSFUL LEADER OF A SPORTS ASSOCIATION IN SERBIA**



For everything that was achieved, above all the fantastic results of the best national team, but also the organization itself, which represents the foundation for all the goals we want to achieve, there were valuable recognitions. The biggest sports award in Serbia, the May Award, went to our organization, and before the Football Association of Serbia in the National Assembly were National Coach Dragan Stojković, Deputy President Nenad Bjeković and General Secretary Jovan Šurbatović. It was a privilege to be among the laureates of such a prestigious award.

The Law Chamber of Serbia bestowed great honor upon the FS of Serbia and the Deputy President Nenad Bjeković. The award for the most successful leader of a sports association in Serbia went to the first man of our football organization.

"After the May Award, which was awarded to the Football Association for the first time in history, this is another recognition that I take as the success of the entire organization that I lead together with my colleagues." The Serbian national team is experiencing a renaissance under the leadership of coach Dragan Stojković; we play beautiful and attractive football, we managed to qualify for the World Cup in style and win the B division of the League of Nations.



People recognize our efforts and know how to reward us. Of course, every recognition is an obligation, to be even better and to make the nation happy with the new successes of our representative selections. I hope that after Qatar, there will be reasons for new awards and new recognitions" - said Nenad Bjeković after the ceremony at the Zepter Hotel.



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## UEFA PRESIDENT ALEKSANDER ČEFERIN GUEST OF FA OF SERBIA "COOPERATION WITH FSS IS IDEAL, I FEEL AT HOME HERE"

UEFA President Aleksander Čeferin was guest of the Football Association of Serbia at the FSS Sports Center in Stara Pazova. The first man of European football came together with one of his closest collaborators, the director of UEFA national associations Zoran Laković. Esteemed friends from UEFA were hosted by FSS deputy president Nenad Bjeković, general secretary Jovan Šurbatović, honorary president Tomislav Karadžić, "A" team director Stevan Stojanović and A national team coach Dragan Stojković.



"I can honestly say that the cooperation with the FSS, the president and the general secretary, is ideal. It couldn't be better. I feel at home here".

The distinguished guest from UEFA also referred to Dragan Stojković's appointment as coach of the A national team with which he qualified for the World Cup in Qatar.

"Pixie was a legend as a player, and now we see how good a coach he is." You have an excellent team, and for me, qualifying for the World Cup is nothing sensational. You deserve it and I am sure that Serbia's result at the World Cup will be excellent".





In addition to the visit of the highest officials of UEFA, it is also worth mentioning the visit of the head of the Swedish Football Association, right before the League of Nations match in Belgrade. The Swedes did not hide their delight at what they saw.



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We can already say that the campaign to distribute equipment to clubs all over Serbia, especially amateur ones, has been an absolute success, because so far more than two thousand clubs have received a donation from the Football Association of Serbia. From Subotica to Niš, dozens of cities from all regions hosted delegations from our Association. Deputy president Nenad Bjeković and general secretary Jovan Šurbatović, as well as National Coach Dragan Stojković and director Stevan Stojanović, traveled hundreds of kilometers to deliver valuable donations to clubs from the lower ranks of the competition, women's, amateur and futsal clubs.





# WITH NEVER BETTER RESULTS, NEVER A STRONGER SPONSOR POOL

Along with the results, which in terms of continuity are the best in the last twenty years, sponsors also came, enough to conclude that the Serbian Football Federation has never had a better, stronger sponsor pool. Certain contracts deserve the prefix historical, all for the better future of Serbian football. This pool consists of Telekom Srbija, Mozzart Company, Arena sport, Nektar, Vivo, Dangbei, VODAVODA...

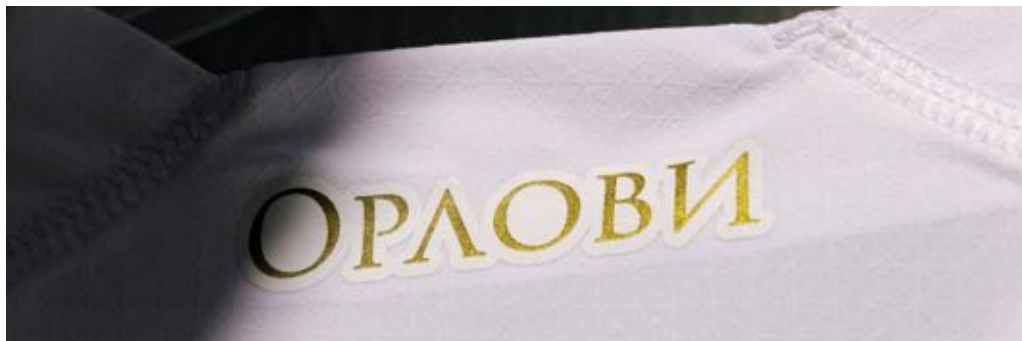




It is worth noting the fact that by signing one of the most important contracts in the last few years, the Serbian Football Association secured the title sponsor for the Super League and the First League of Serbia for the next three seasons, and at the same time it extended cooperation with one of the largest companies in Eastern Europe in the realm of betting and games with the Mozzart Company.



TRADITION, UNITY, AND COURAGE  
**NEW SHIRT FOR THE PRIDE OF  
SERBIA INSPIRED BY THE SUCCESS  
OF THE "GOLDEN EAGLETS"**



The best national team will play in the new PUMA jerseys at the World Cup in Qatar, and the jersey had its premiere in two matches that brought great joy to Serbia and qualification in the elite society of European football, division A of the League of Nations. The national team got a new coat of arms that symbolizes and contains several values: tradition, passion, commitment, unity, and courage. It is inspired by traditional motifs, symbols of our country throughout history.





The home, red set of jerseys is inspired by the golden generation of "Eaglets", who in 2015 returned hope and pride to Serbian football and conquered the world in New Zealand by winning over Brazil. That is exactly why the new jersey has golden details. The jersey represents the roots and memory of the timeless success of a generation of players, many of whom today wear the jersey of the best national team of Serbia.

PUMA has made a maximum professional effort to reinterpret national motifs from football, culture, and nature with a new, in some areas revolutionary design, combining them in a way that makes each jersey close to the people and the national team.



## REMEMBERING ONE OF THE GREATEST VISIONARIES - U16 "MILJAN MILJANIĆ" TOURNAMENT

# TWO TURNS OF EVENTS IN COMPETITION FOR THE SERBIA TROPHY



Together with the Belgrade Football Association, the 8th traditional tournament named after one of the greatest visionaries in Serbian and Yugoslav football, Miljan Miljanić, was organized. In the competition of Montenegro, North Macedonia and for the first time the Republic of Ireland, the team led by the coach Aleksandar Luković won the first place. It is interesting that our younger cadets decided both matches in their favor after a small turn of events, first in the duel with the Republic of Ireland, and then in the final when they competed with Montenegro. In both cases, they showed great character, because they were two goals behind.



# FANTASTIC SUCCESS OF THE CADETTES, THIRD PLACE THIRD PLACE AT THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP IN ISRAEL

A fantastic success was achieved by the cadette national team (U17), which first qualified for the European Championship, and then delighted the nation at the final tournament in Israel. The chosen ones of coach Radovan Krivokapić successfully got through the first group with Bulgaria, Croatia, and Liechtenstein. A place in the elite round was decided by a direct match with Croatia, which the Eaglets won by 1:0. In the second qualifying round, Serbia was a guest in Slovenia, and in the competition of the hosts, and Turkey and Wales, they won the first place. At the European Championship for cadets in Israel, Serbia was in a group with Spain, Belgium, and Turkey. High pressing, discipline and responsibility, a lot of running, a great desire to present Serbia in the best possible version, influenced Stanković and his friends to qualify for the quarterfinals and the duel with Denmark. With the new victory, a match with the Netherlands is scheduled. After 90 minutes of great drama, the game ended without a winner, so the verdict came after the penalty shootout. The Netherlands was luckier, Serbia finished in third place, practically undefeated through the regular match time, and Jovan Milošević was the best scorer of the championship with five goals scored.



## YOUNG PLAYERS AMONG THE EIGHT BEST TEAMS OF THE OLD CONTINENT

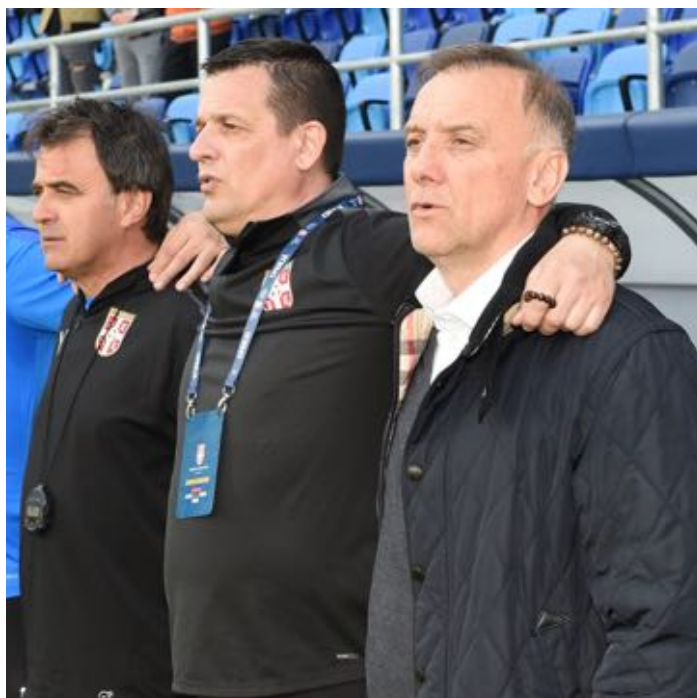


The younger selections of the Association also achieved notable results. The youth (U19) national team successfully passed the first round of qualifications. At the tournament in Albania, Serbia won second place in competition with France, North Macedonia, and the home team, secured a place in the elite round. The second, final qualifying round, was played in June, hosted by the Netherlands, and rivals Ukraine and Norway. In the meantime, coach Dejan Branković resigned, and confidence was given to Aleksandar Jović. And it was a great success. Serbia won first place in the group and qualified for the European Championship in Slovakia. Since it did not have time to recover and practically prepare for the matches in Slovakia, it missed the desired result at the European Championship. However, the continuity of good results was preserved, it is definitely a success to be among the eight best of the Old Continent in the under-19 age group.



## NEW COACH GORAN STEVANOVIĆ

The youth national team did not start the qualifications well on the way to the European Championship. Aleksandar Rogić was given the trust as a temporary solution, and he was replaced by Goran Stevanović, an experienced coach who is already familiar with the system of the Football Association, because he was Ilija Petković's assistant when the best national team qualified for the World Cup in Germany in 2006. With Stevanović, victories came, against North Macedonia and Armenia.



# HISTORY OF WOMEN'S FOOTBALL BEING WRITTEN

## **SERBIA BEAT GERMANY, CAME TO THE THRESHOLD OF THE PLAY-OFF FOR PLACEMENT IN THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP, BUT PORTUGAL LUCKIER**

The impossible became possible, the dream became reality, and the women's football world admires Serbia. Our best national team defeated Germany - 3:2 (1:0), in a match that will remain written in golden letters in the history of women's football. With the new three points, the players chosen by coach Predrag Grozdanović were one step closer to qualifying for the World Championship, which will be held in New Zealand next year. The victory is a confirmation of good work and an absolute affirmation of women's football, in which the marketing-media team of the Football Association is very actively involved. Numerous actions affecting the popularization of women's football raised interest in the performance and results of our girls, and with the victory against multiple champions of Europe and the world, captain Violeta Slović and the girls were the news of the day on almost all pages of





written and electronic media. Our girls had two more matches ahead of them, against Portugal and Israel. The stands of the SC FSS stadium were filled for the deciding match against Portugal. And everything started like in a fairy tale, Predrag Grozdanović's girls were the first to take the lead, but the drop in concentration and the quality of the visitors meant that they were left without valuable points. Until another time...



# GREAT GIRLS, YOUTHS IN THE ELITE AGAIN



The women's cadet selection (WU17) was on the threshold of a great feat, only one goal away from qualifying for the European Championship. At the tournament in Norway, coach Dragiša Zečević's team created a small sensation and defeated the home team at the start (3:2). The girls were also excellent against Sweden (1:2), another country with

a far greater tradition in women's football. On the day of the decision, Serbia was excellent against Romania (8:0), but in the triangle with Norway and Sweden, only one goal decided.



Praise also goes to the youth national team, which returned to the UEFA elite group with three victories in the tournament in Lithuania (Lithuania, Latvia, Montenegro). Serbian women's football should not worry about the future.



# FSS AND THE INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN'S SPORTS SIGNED A COOPERATION AGREEMENT

## FREE FOOTBALL SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS TO BE OPENED THROUGHOUT SERBIA

The Football Association of Serbia and the Institute for Women's Sports signed a cooperation agreement. Free football schools for girls of elementary school will be opened in ten cities in Serbia, where hundreds of participants are expected. The cooperation arose out of the need to affirm women's football, which is gaining more and more importance and popularity at the global level.

"Our intention is to support all girls who want to play football, and the important message we want to send is - yes, football is a sport for girls and women!" The Institute for Women's Sports is the best possible partner in this mission, given their network of experts, the system they have managed to establish in our country and enable girls to play sports for free. We are strongly with the Institute, and we hope that this cooperation is a big step towards support and cheer for women's football in the future", said prof. Dr. Jovan Šurbatović, Secretary General of FSS.

"We are glad that FSS chose us as a partner in the project of motivating girls to play football. We are working hard, and we expect the first free soccer schools for all girls who want to engage in this sport to start working in several cities already in February. Football is a sport that is perceived as a man's sport, it's time to change that. We see cooperation with the FSS as an important step for the future development of women's football in Serbia," said Marina Maljković, founder of the Institute for Women's Sports, basketball coach and coach of the women's national basketball team.



# FUTSAL PLAYERS PROUD OF THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE FUTSAL WORLD CUP, MANY MISHAPS IN THE NETHERLANDS

## SERBIA PRESERVED CONTINUITY IN PARTICIPATION AT THE GREATEST EVENTS

For our best futsal national team, it has long been written that it is the "pride of the nation" due to good results and continuous participation in the biggest competitions. At the World Championship in Lithuania, Jovan Lazarevic and his teammates showed why Serbia has a great reputation in the world of futsal. In very strong competition with Iran, the USA and Argentina, the Eagles won the knockout phase and were eliminated from the future ruler of the world, Portugal, only after extra time.



New challenges followed and they made us happy again, after participating in the FIFA World Cup in Lithuania and qualified for the UEFA Futsal EURO in the Netherlands. Many injured players and bad luck with the corona virus made them finish the competition in the group, but Serbia, the players, and the technical staff, have the quality, knowledge and support to continue with good results.



GROUP 9



SERBIA



FRANCE



NORWAY





RESPECT

## THANK YOU TO GORAN IVANČIĆ **DEJAN MAJES - NEW COACH**

After the World Cup in Lithuania, there was a mutual termination of the contract with the coach Goran Ivančić. Trust was placed in Majes.



## FUTSAL U19 **YOUNG PLAYERS LEARNING FROM THE BEST**

The youth futsal team (U19) failed to qualify for the European Championship in strong competition, primarily with France. At the tournament in Vrnjačka Banja, the selection led by Marko Gavrilović was better than Slovenia and Hungary, but one bad day and defeat against France decided the outcome.



# PRESENTATION OF DEJAN FILIPOVIĆ AND THE REFEREES COMMITTEE VAR TECHNOLOGY INTRODUCED TO THE MEDIA

A day that will surely remain a fond memory for representatives of the Serbian media. Many journalists, videographers and photojournalists were guests of the Football Association of Serbia at the Sports Center in Stara Pazova on February 4, and in addition to touring the completely renovated "house of football", respected representatives of the written and electronic media attended and took an active part in the presentation or workshop. FSS Referees Committee headed by President Dejan Filipović.



None of those present did not hide that they do not remember something similar from the "refereeing repertoire", all for the purpose of education and easier understanding of the new recommendations from the Laws of the Game as well as the functioning of VAR technology. The President of the Referees Committee, Dejan Filipović, together with his colleagues, made a presentation of the most interesting, disputed situations that occurred in the matches of the autumn part of the season in the Super League and the First League of Serbia. He explained the reasons and principles that the referees adhered to when making certain decisions, at the same time he resolved many doubts in the interpretation of terms and the Laws of the Game with an emphasis on the application and functioning of VAR technology.



Journalists also actively participated with numerous questions, all of them could take part in "decision-making" after some disputed situations, but the most important thing was that they were made aware of the determination with which the Referees Committee with Dejan Filipović implements reforms in the refereeing with a clear motive, which is that the players will be the only actors who will decide on the placement.

Representatives of the media visited the VAR room, as well as the entire Sports Center where Stojković's Eagles were preparing to qualify for the World Cup, the fields of play where all national teams are having preparations under the auspices of the Football Association of Serbia.



# CONFIDENCE AND RESPECT OF UEFA FOR FSS STAFF

Representatives of the Football Association of Serbia once again played a significant role in the most important matches at the international level. After flawlessly performing the task of delegate during the final tournament of the European Championship, the general secretary of our organization, Jovan Šurbatović, continued to gain the trust of UEFA, primarily thanks to his experience and professional qualities. Thus, in April of this year, he had the privilege of being a delegate at the second leg of the round of 16 of the Champions League between Real Madrid and Paris Saint-Germain. Nebojša Ivković also enjoys an extremely high reputation in the European Football Union, which is evidenced by his role as a mentor for young delegates, with a reminder that last May he had the honor of being a match delegate at the final match of the Europa League between Villarreal and Manchester United.

When it comes to refereeing, it has become a practice that the hardest and most attractive matches in both European competitions are won by the Serbian trio of referees headed by Srđan Jovanović. Together with his assistants Uroš Stojković and Milan Mihajlović, our best referee officiated the matches of great importance, among which we single out Juventus-Chelsea, Sporting-Manchester City, Atalanta-Leverkusen, and Eintracht-Barcelona.

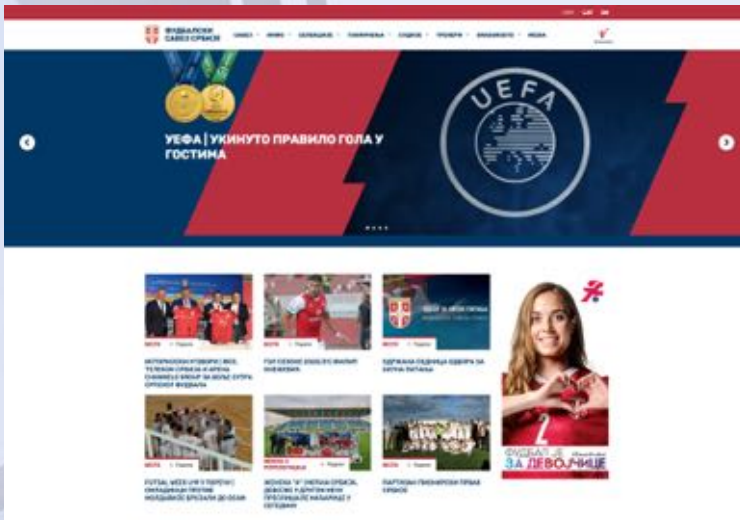
The fact that Vlado Glođević in the capacity of a security officer, as well as Igor Radojčić, who performed the role of delegate in the duels between England and Andorra, Armenia and Germany, Roma and Bodo Glimt, were given important tasks at European matches definitely sends a message that the responsible persons from the European football house still have enormous confidence in the staff of the Football Association of Serbia.





# COMMENDS FROM UEFA AND FIFA ONE OF THE BEST AND MOST UPDATED INTERNET PRESENTATIONS AMONG THE NATIONAL FEDERATIONS

The Football Association of Serbia follows the trends and understands the importance of new ways of communication. Accordingly, our organization is doing everything to take a prominent place in the digital world as well. Thanks to the creative and diligent work of the Marketing and Media sector, the Association made additional progress in this realm as well. Creative and timely content on the website and social networks, recognizable visual identity, millions of interactions with fans from Serbia and around the world, were confirmed by fantastic statistical data, as well as praise from all sides. We would single out the commends of UEFA and FIFA, as well as the Union of Professional Footballers "Nezavisnost", who pointed out that the Football Association of Serbia has one of the best and most up-to-date internet presentations among national federations. Each event is being recorded in a timely manner on the website and social networks, which are on duty 24 hours a day, every day of the year. The media team did a fantastic job on the night of November 14, when Serbia qualified for the World Championship in Qatar, as well as during the entire qualification, and the peak was the draw in Doha, where we were exclusively at the service of all domestic media with the content on the website and social networks. In terms of volume of material compared to other national associations' websites, FSS is at the very top among the UEFA member associations.



INSTAGRAM

FOLLOWERS:  
**285K**

MONTHLY

Post reach:  
**3.5M**

Likes:  
**4.5M**

Comments:  
**20K**

Likes per post:  
**30.1K**



TWITTER

FOLLOWERS:  
**55K**

MONTHLY

Post reach:  
**5M**

Interactions:  
**150K**



FACEBOOK

FOLLOWERS:  
**205K**

MONTHLY

Post reach:  
**3.5M**

Interactions:  
**1.5M**

## PROMOTION OF THE BOOK ABOUT WORLD AND EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS

# SERBIA PAID ITS RESPECT ONCE AGAIN TO HEROES FROM LITHUANIA AND NEW ZEALAND

After the Lisbon night and Serbia's placement at the World Championship, i.e., the spectacle at the "Hyatt" hotel and the "Golden Ball" award to the best individuals, a year that will be remembered ended at the FSS Sports Center in Stara Pazova with the promotion of the capital work, the book about the greatest success of Serbia football, the triumph of the Golden Eaglets at the European Championship in 2013 and the World Championship in 2015.



The project with the working title "For children of Serbia - How to become a champion" was promoted before numerous guests, former and current leaders of the FSS, head coaches, coaches, players who brought great joy to football Serbia, distinguished people from public life, representatives of the Government of Serbia, the City of Belgrade.

In the packed hall of the Sports Center, it all started with that great motivational speech by coach Veljko Paunović before the final match with Brazil at the World Championship (U20) in New Zealand, and it continued with a video and the notorious voice of the phenomenal commentator Aleksandar Stojanović "Serbia is the champion of the world, Serbia is world champion in football".





..."Good morning, Serbia, good morning, friends of football, welcome to the country of European and world champions. The reason why we are all here today is this book, certainly unique, a double-sided book about World and European champions! One out of four from the series of editions that will be in production, in Serbian and English language versions, which are a fantastic testimony of the greatest success of Serbian football since the day of Serbia's independence".

This book, as well as the entire carefully planned project of the team of authors, those authentic witnesses of history, is certainly an undertaking worthy of the success that our golden boys achieved in Lithuania and New Zealand.

The title of the project says it all, and it reads: For the children of Serbia | How to become a champion. This book will end up in the hands of more than 50,000 children aged 11 to 19 across Serbia! Every registered boy and girl who dreams of one day achieving what Rajko, Sergej, Mitar, Maksa, Žile, Marko, Gaja, Miloš and the rest of Veljko Paunović's and Ljubinko Drulović's achieved, will dream with their eyes open when reading this book.

## THE USNS AWARD TO FSS FOR PUBLISHING VENTURE OF THE YEAR

The Association of Sports Journalists of Serbia (USNS) declared this project of the FS of Serbia and the TK Librum Association as the Publishing Enterprise of the Year, and on the FS of Belgrade field of play at Ada Ciganlija on March 19, in the presence of Jovan Šurbatović, general secretary of the FS of Serbia and Miroslav Stojanović, the first operative of the FA of Belgrade, the first distribution of the book to boys and girls (7766) registered in the territory of the FS Belgrade took place.



# THE PLACE FROM WHICH ONE MOVES INTO VICTORIES AND DEEDS **RENOVATED SC FSS THE PRIDE AND GLORY OF FOOTBALL SERBIA**

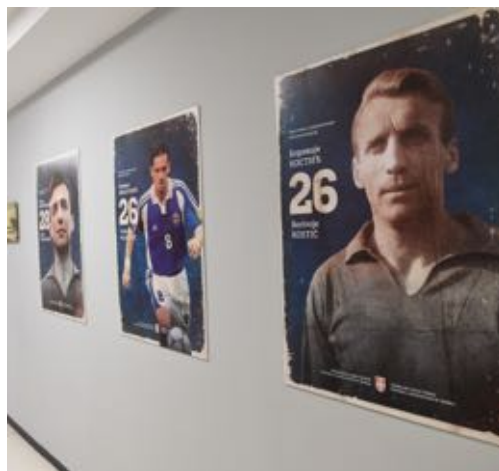
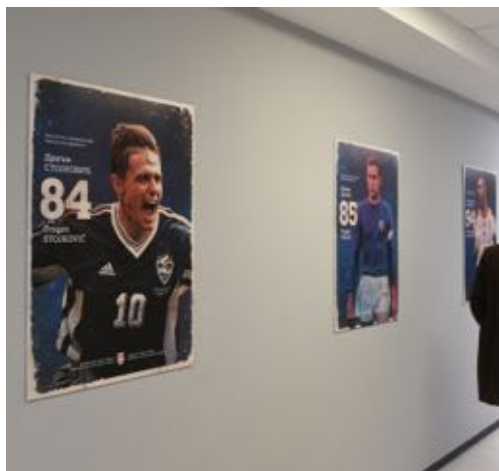
The recent visit of UEFA President Aleksander Čeferin and his positive impressions of everything he saw at the FSS Sports Center in Stara Pazova confirmed once again that the Football Association of Serbia has positioned itself as an institution with one of the most modern and beautiful sports complexes in Europe.





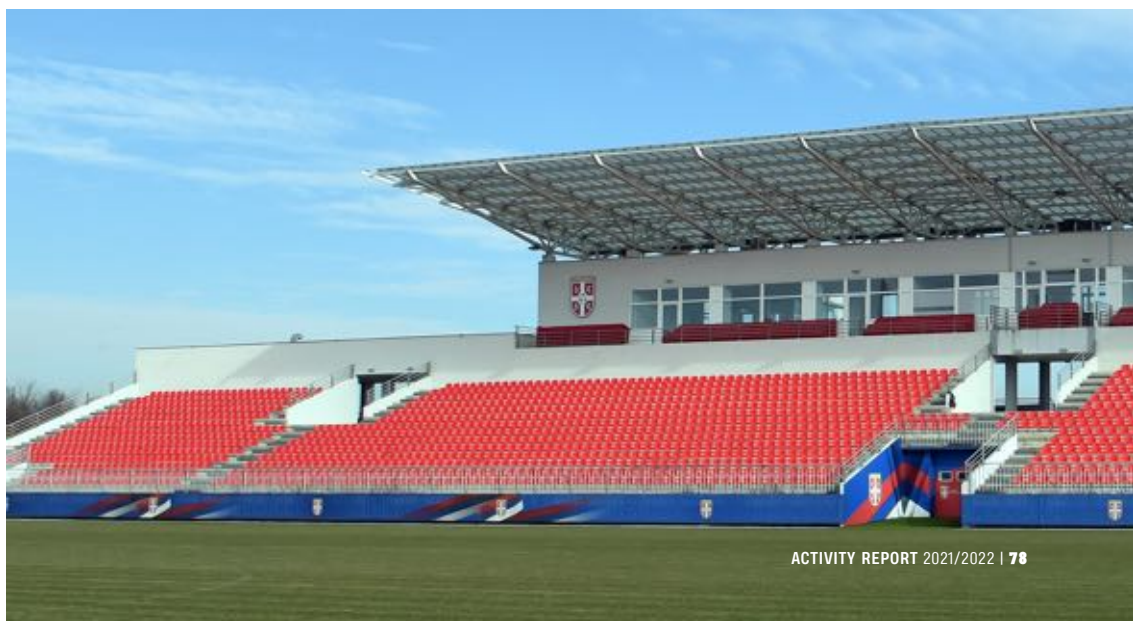
"We are very impressed by the words and praise of the first man of the European house of football, as well as the impressions of the representatives of all clubs and national teams who, after their stay at the Sports Center in Stara Pazova, enthusiastically stated that the Football Association of Serbia has excellent conditions for the work and preparation of professional sports teams" - says FSS deputy president Nenad Bjeković and adds that the construction of the Sports Center is one of the best moves in the history of the Football Association of Serbia:





"Serbian house of football is the place from where the Eaglets of Ljubinko Drulović and Veljko Paunović set out to win European and world gold. This is where Dragan Stojković's boys made plans and prepared tactics for a triumphant march through the World Cup qualifiers, and from there they will go to Qatar with the ambition to make the nation happy once again and represent Serbia worthily at the biggest show of world football" - says Bjeković, and the general Secretary Jovan Šurbatović reveals that there is a real possibility that the Football Association of Serbia will soon host a seminar for the best European referees:

"The Sports Center in Stara Pazova clearly has all possible infrastructural qualities for the organization of such a gathering. I am primarily referring to the VAR rooms, which have been repeatedly stated to be equipped with top-notch technology and as such are among the most modern in Europe. The idea has existed since before, now it was only intensified during the visit of President Čeferin and one of his closest collaborators, Zoran Laković. It is very likely that UEFA will soon take advantage of the facilities provided by our house of football and send their best referees to Stara Pazova for preparations, training, and knowledge testing".





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