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UEFA Executive Committee Malta meeting decisions

Timeline for UEFA EURO 2016™ bidding process evaluation approved

Chaired by the UEFA President, Michel Platini, the UEFA Executive Committee finished the first meeting of its 2010 schedule yesterday, and made a number of decisions in a busy session.

Meeting in Malta the Executive Committee approved the UEFA EURO 2016™ bid process timeline and the arrangements for evaluation and decision. The key dates in 2010 were confirmed as follows:

- 15 February - Bid dossiers handover, Nyon
- 27 May - Presentations to the UEFA Executive Committee, Nyon
- 28 May (morning) - Final presentations by the bidders and voting by the UEFA Executive Committee, Geneva
- 28 May (13:00) - Announcement of host of UEFA EURO 2016™, Geneva

Other decisions taken by the UEFA Executive Committee included:

- the approval of the appointment of Theodore Theodoridis as the Deputy General Secretary of UEFA
- the appointment of SL Benfica as host of the 2009/10 UEFA Futsal Cup finals
- the approval of the UEFA Regions' Cup Regulations 2010/11
- the addition of five associations to the UEFA Referee Convention, who now meet the required standards in terms of referee organisation and education, namely; Cyprus, Italy, Lithuania, Moldova and Wales

The UEFA Executive Committee also took note of the following:

- a positive update report on the preparations for UEFA EURO 2012™ ahead of the Qualifying Draw taking place in Warsaw on Sunday 7 February
- the launching of the UEFA EURO 2012™ media rights tender process for ex-European territories on Friday 29 January
- positive feedback and an update on the additional assistant referees' experiment taking place in the UEFA Europa League
- a report on the activities planned for the UEFA Grassroots Day on Wednesday 19 May in Madrid, Spain before the 2010 UEFA Champions League Final, and those by some member associations

The next meeting of the UEFA Executive Committee is scheduled for 23/24 March, the days prior to the XXXIV Ordinary UEFA Congress on Thursday 25 March, in Tel Aviv, Israel.

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