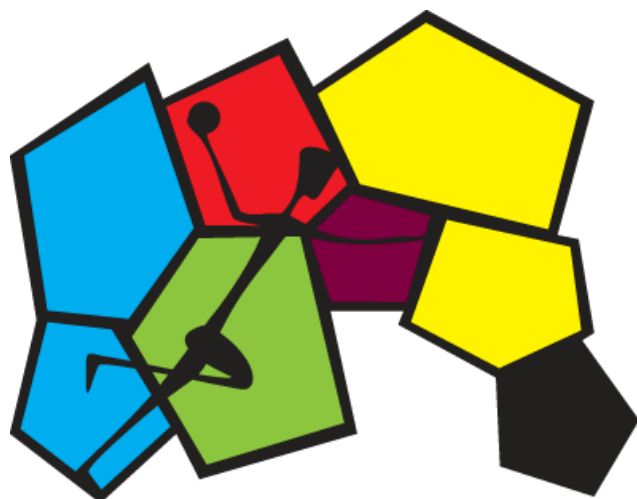


**Super Globe 2011**  
14 - 18 May 2011 in Qatar



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## WELCOME

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**To**  
**The Participating Teams,**  
**The IHF Nominees, the Media**

*Welcome to Qatar that is to stage 2011 IHF Super Globe.*

*The present brochure includes many details which have been compiled particularly for your purpose and which we hope might be of use to you. We would be pleased if this brochure helped you for your orientation within the IHF, and will additionally try to keep you well informed on a regular basis. May we also refer to the information you will constantly be provided on our homepage*

*We hope for a successful staging of the World Championship as well as for a constructive collaboration and remain with kind regards,*

**INTERNATIONAL HANDBALL FEDERATION**

## PLAYING SCHEDULE

Date & Time	Team	Vs.	Team	Round / Group
<b>SAT. 14.05.2011</b>	<b>Team (1)</b>		<b>Team (2)</b>	<b>Group</b>
<b>01:30 P.M</b>	CIUDAD REAL (ESP)		ZAMALEK (EGY)	B
<b>03:30 P.M</b>	THW KIEL (GER)		AL-SADD (LIB)	A
<b>05:30 P.M</b>	<i>"OPENING CEREMONY"</i>			
<b>06:30 P.M</b>	AL-SADD (QAT)		SOUTHERN STARS (AUS)	B
<b>08:30 P.M</b>	AL-RAYYAN (QAT)		ESPORTE CLUBE PINHIROS (BRA)	A
<b>SUN. 15.05.2011</b>	<i>"PRELIMINARY ROUND"</i>			
<b>02:00 P.M</b>	ESPORTE CLUBE PINHEIROS (BRA)		THW KIEL (GER)	A
<b>04:00 P.M</b>	SOUTHER STARS (AUS)		CIUDAD REAL (ESP)	B
<b>06:00 P.M</b>	ZAMALEK (EGY)		AL-SADD (QAT)	B
<b>08:00 P.M</b>	AL-SADD (LIB)		AL-RAYYAN (QAT)	A
<b>MON. 16.05. 2011</b>	<i>"PRELIMINARY ROUND"</i>			
<b>02:00 P.M</b>	AL-SADD (LIB)		ESPORTE CLUBE PINHIROS (BRA)	A
<b>04:00 P.M</b>	ZAMALEK (EGY)		SOUTHERN STARS (AUS)	B
<b>06:00 P.M</b>	THW KIEL (GER)		AL-RAYYAN (QAT)	A
<b>08:00 P.M</b>	CIUDAD REAL (ESP)		AL-SADD (QAT)	B
<b>TUE. 17.05.2011</b>	<i>REST DAY</i>			
<b>WED. 18.05.2011</b>	<i>"PLACEMENT / FINAL ROUNDS"</i>			
<b>02:00 P.M</b>	4A		4B	PLACES 7-8
<b>04:00 P.M</b>	3A		3B	PLACES 5-6
<b>06:00 P.M</b>	2A		2B	PLACES 3-4
<b>08:30 P.M</b>	1A		1B	<b>FINAL 1-2</b>

ROW S	GROUP "A"	GROUP "B"
1	THW KIEL (GER)	CIUDAD REAL (ESP)
2	AL-RAYYAN (QAT)	AL-SADD (QAT)
3	AL-SADD (LIB)	ZAMALEK (EGY)
4	ESPORTE CLUBE PINHEIROS (BRA)	SOUTHERN STARS (AUS)



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## Technical Meeting

14 May 2010, Grand Regency Hotel

### A G E N D A

1. Welcome
2. Definitive team registration (check of players passports)
3. Information provided by the organiser (transportation, laundry, meals, DVDs videos, meeting rooms, etc)
4. Playing schedule / throw-off times
5. Warm up / timing / procedure before and after the match
6. Media matters (mixed zone, press conference, etc - further information provided by the organiser)
7. Training schedule
8. Nomination of officials and referees
9. Doping controls
10. Determination of colours of players' uniforms
11. Miscellaneous

***Important Note :***

*In this context the participating teams are kindly requested to submit the players' passports as well as the definitive team registration to the IHF collaborators at the Technical Meeting. Only the official team registration forms will be accepted. Furthermore you have to bring with you one sample of each uniform. Further information will be announced on site.*

## **Player eligibility**

### **1. Registration**

Each delegation is composed of 16 players and 5 officials (= 21 persons).

Players and officials (stating their function) shall be registered with help of the relevant IHF form:

- provisionally: 2 May 2011 at the latest (28 players at most) to the IHF Head Office
- definitively: one hour before the Technical Meeting to the responsible IHF representative (16 players taken from the provisional list). The registration must be executed with help of the relevant IHF form.

**2.** According to the decision of the IHF's Commission of Organising and Competition (COC), each participating club is allowed to register in the provisional registration list a maximum of ten (10) players whose International Transfer Certificate was issued in the period of 90 days prior to the competition.

**3.** According to IHF regulations 16 players may be put in per match in the Super Globe 2011. In this 16 players, a maximum of six (6) players mentioned in 2. may be registered for a match and play at the same time.

**4..** During the Super Globe each team may replace as many players as they want (only against players from the provisional list) at any time. It means that every team may replace as many players at any time and as often they want during the competition.

⇒ *Procedure for substitution of one or several players respectively:*

*New players must be orally registered to the Competition Management no less than 6 hours before the match. A written registration, by using the IHF form shall follow one hour before the match at the latest.*

### **Procedure before and after the matches**

#### Before the matches

40 minutes	Starting warm-up
16 minutes	Coin toss
11 minutes	Teams leave the court
10 minutes	Welcome
9.5 minutes	Entry of the teams
8 minutes	Presentation
4 minutes	National anthems
0 minutes	Start of the match

#### After the matches

Line up and shake hands

### **Half time**

According to the IHF Regulations, the half-time break at the Super Globe matches shall be 15 minutes.

### **Team-Time Out**

According to Rule 2:10 and Clarification 3 of the Rules of the Game each team has the right to receive a maximum of three team time-outs during regular playing time but not during overtime. No more than two team time-outs may be granted in each half of the regular playing time. Between two team time-outs of a team, the opponent must be at least once in possession of the ball. 3 green cards, bearing numbers 1, 2, and 3 respectively, are available for each team. The teams receive cards bearing numbers '1' and '2' in the first half of the game and the cards no. 2 and no. 3 in the second half provided they received no more than one team time-out in the first half. In case they received two team time-outs in the first half, they receive only green card no. 3.

Within the last 5 minutes of the regular playing time only one team time-out per team is allowed.

### **Official ball**

Balls from our partner SELECT will be used at the Super Globe.

### **Anti-Doping**

In accordance with the IOC, WADA and the IHF, anti-doping tests will be carried out at the Super Globe

### **Meeting rooms**

The organiser will reserve meeting rooms for the teams as well as for the IHF and provide the necessary furniture and technical equipment free of charge. The meeting rooms for the teams shall dispose of a screen, a projector and a DVD player.

### **Video recordings**

In principle, all teams are allowed to take video recordings, although some restrictions may be necessary on account of the space available. The organiser shall provide a special place in the hall for the person taking the video.

The recordings may only be made by one person from each team in each hall, may only be used for internal purposes or developing team tactics and may not be commercially exploited.

### **Match DVDs**

The organiser undertakes to produce a video of each match. One DVD copy are available for the teams concerned.

### **Scouting**

The IHF and the Organizer are organizing a scouting system to assure the data processing and all match-relevant statistics. All statistics could be found on [www.ihf.info](http://www.ihf.info)

## TRAINING SCHEDULE













IHF SUPER GLOBE  
13 - 18 MAY 2011

		HALL	09:00 - 9:50 A.M	10:00 - 10:50 A.M	11:00 - 11:50 A.M.	12:00 - 12:50 P.M	04:00 - 4:50 P.M	05:00 - 05:50 P.M	06:00 - 06:50 P.M	07:00 - 07:50	
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		FEDERATION - 2	AL SADD (LIB)	PINHEIROS							
<b>Total Training</b>											
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IHF SUPER GLOBE  
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## IHF NOMINEES

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### **President**

Dr Hassan Moustafa (EGY)

### **Representatives**

Miguel Roca (ESP)

Joel Delplanque (FRA)

Sandi Sola (CRO)

### **Officials**

Leon Kalin (SLO)

Manfred Prause (GER)

### **Technical Delegates**

Philippe Bana (FRA)

Dr Ahmed Abu Al-Lail (KUW)

Ramón Gallego (ESP)

Bjarne Munk Jensen (DEN )

### **Anti-Doping**

Dr Ridha Mokni (TUN)

### **Referees**

Kenneth Abrahamsen / Arne Kristiansen (NOR)

Nenad Kristic / Peter Ljubic (SLO)

Samir Krichen / Samir Makhoulouf (TUN)

Omar Al-Marzouqi / Mohammad Al-Nuaimi (UAE)

Mansour Al-Suwaidi / Saleh Bamatraf (QAT)

### **IHF Head Office**

Amal Khalifa

Patric Strub

### **IHF Marketing**

Luc Weber

### **Media**

Mona Orban

Björn Pazen (Journalist)

Axel Heimken (Photographer)

### **Scouting (2)**

Li Huang

Yan Zhang

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## THE ORGANISER

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### **Qatar Handball Association**

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## ACCOMMODATION

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### **IHF Nominees**

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## IHF BODIES

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### Competition Management

Leon Kalin (SLO)– Chairman  
Manfred Prause (GER) – Member  
Patric Strub- Member (without vote)

The Competition Management may be reached at the IHF hotel (see address details of IHF hotel).

### Disciplinary Commission

Sandi Sola - CRO  
Philippe Bana FRA  
Dr Ahmed Abu Al-Lail KUW

### Jury

Miguel Roca ESP  
Ramón Gallego ESP  
Bjarne Munk Jensen DEN

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## D A T E S

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- 12+13/05** Arrival of Referees and Technical Delegates - Doha  
Arrival of the IHF Representatives and Officials - Doha
- 13/14/05** Meeting of Competition Management with the local organiser
- 13/05** Referee mini-course and refresher course for Technical Delegates (details on site)
- 13/05** Fitting-out and reimbursement of travel expenses and payment of daily allowances
- 14/05** 9.00 am - Technical Meeting with the participating nations at the hotel

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## MATCH EVALUATION

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The matches of the group phase shall be evaluated as follows:

- each match won = 2 points
- each match drawn = 1 point for each team
- each match lost = no points

Teams are ranked according to the total number of points gained.

If two or more teams have gained the same number of points after the group matches have been completed, classification is decided as follows:

- results in points between the teams concerned
- goal differences in the matches between the teams concerned
- greater number of plus goals in the matches between the teams concerned.

If the teams are still equal, a decision is made between those teams with equal number of points as follows:

- goal difference is subtracted in all matches
- greater number of plus goals in all matches.

If classification still is not possible, a draw shall decide. The IHF representative on site shall execute the draw, if possible in the presence of the 'responsible team officials'. If the 'responsible team official' cannot be present, other co-workers selected by the IHF shall take part.

The so called knock-out system shall apply for the gold medal and bronze medal match. This matches shall be evaluated as follows:

In case of a draw at the end of the regular playing time, after a break of five (5) minutes there is a first overtime period of 2 x 5 minutes, changing sides half way through with a one-minute break in-between. Provisions to the contrary set for individual tournaments shall be given priority.

If the match should still not be decided after this overtime period, after a break of 5 minutes there shall be a second overtime period of 2 x 5 minutes, changing sides half way through with a one-minute break in-between.

Should the match still not be decided after the second overtime period, it is decided with 7m penalty throws in accordance with Rule 2:2 of the Rules of the Game.

In case of a draw at the end of the regular playing time of the placement **matches 5/6 and 7/8** the match will be decided with 7m penalty throws in accordance with Rule 2:2 of the Rules of the Game.

### **Half time**

According to IHF regulations, the half-time break will take 15 minutes at the Super Globe 2011

### **Cancellation or discontinuation of match**

If the match is cancelled or discontinued, the Competition Management shall decide on further action.

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**FINAL RANKING**

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2. ....

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**All-Star Team**

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Goalkeeper

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Left wing

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Pivot

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Right wing

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Left back

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Centre back

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Right back

Eight teams to compete for the title

## **More participants, new format at 2011 IHF Super Globe in Doha**

For the fifth time the curtain rises for the world's top club teams from five continents. The Qatar Handball Association and the Al-Sadd Club will host the IHF Super Globe for the second time in a row. Following a splendid debut last year there will be some changes in the 2011 edition to assure a top-class tournament that will be even more exciting. The most important thing is that the number of participating teams has been increased from six to eight. Aside from the continental representatives from Europe, Asia, Africa, Pan-America and Oceania as well as host Al-Sadd, there will be title defender Renovalia Ciudad Real and the Qatari club of Al-Rayyan to compete for the title. A prize money totalling 750,000.- US dollars will be distributed.

The Pan-America representative is a club from Brazil again; only players from Brazil line up for Esporte Clube Pinheiros. The same is valid for Africa representative Al Zamalek from Egypt, who prevailed against Sahel from Tunisia in the African final. On the other hand, Asia representative Al-Sadd from Beirut, Lebanon, relies on European top clubs like the year before to strengthen its team. They found support coming from Spanish Champions League participant Cuatro Rayas Valladolid. Wild card Al-Rayyan made contact to European players to considerably strengthen its team. The same is valid for last year's finalist Al-Sadd from Qatar. AHF Allstars from Australia will be the clear outsiders at the fifth IHF Super Globe edition. They mainly recruit Australian representative players but will also put in some players from France, Norway and Brazil who live in Australia.

Not only title holder Ciudad Real – the club which has just qualified for the sixth time in seven years for the semi-finals of the EHF Champions League and won twice the Super Globe and even three times the Champions League – will represent Europe. The second participant will be THW Kiel. The Germans claimed the EHF Champions League title last year but were defeated by Barcelona this year to miss the 2011 Final Four in Cologne so that Doha will provide a last chance for Kiel to gain an international title this season.

It will be getting exciting, as the format has been changed too: a total of 12 preliminary round matches will be staged between 14 and 16 May. There will be no semi-finals but the two top-ranked teams of the preliminaries will directly meet in the final on 18 May. Placement matches 3 – 8 will be staged prior to the final.

The IHF will be organising a Global Coaching Clinic on the fringes of the IHF Super Globe. This course will enable coaches from Asia and Arabic-speaking countries to obtain the top IHF coaching licence Level A. The second part of the named Coaching Clinic will be held in Oman at a later date.

### Super Globe

The IHF Super Globe is taking place for the fifth time. The previous winners are Spain (3) and Qatar. The only handball player who has won the Super Globe three times, is Talant Dushebajew, the current coach of Ciudad Real. In Qatar, he wants to claim his fourth title. In 1997, Dushebajew won the first IHF Super Globe with his club Caja Calabria Santander. In 2005, he finished his career as a player, winning the title with Ciudad Real which he had already been working for as a player-coach then. Between these two victories, Al-Sadd from Qatar seized its chance and won the second Super Globe tournament.

1997 in Vienna (Austria):

The first Super Globe tournament was held in Vienna (Austria) in 1997. Back then, it was called "World Championship for Club Teams". The number of teams was record-breaking: Eight teams from four continents participated. In Preliminary Group A, Santander led the field, followed by the Asian representative San Kyung Wol Seoul (Korea). Group B was dominated by European teams: Drammen HK (Norway) was the winner of the group, followed by Stadtwerke Sparkasse Bruck (Austria). The hosts clearly lost the semi-final against Santander 16:35 whereas Drammen won the second semi-final against Seoul 32:27. In the third-place play-off, the Koreans defeated Bruck 33:27. In the final, Santander claimed a hard-fought victory over Drammen (30:29).

*Final ranking:* 1. Santander (ESP), 2. Drammen (NOR), 3. Seoul (KOR), 4. Bruck (AUT), 5. Osakidenki Tokio (JPN), 6. Metodista Sao Paulo (BRA), 7. MCA Alger (ALG), 8. KACM Marrakech (MAR)

2002 in Doha (Qatar):

Five teams from four continents competed in the tournament in the Emirate of Qatar in order to succeed Santander. Surprisingly for many, the hosts (Al-Sadd) defeated SC Magdeburg (Germany), which had just won the European Champions League. Al-Sadd won all four matches, including the crucial match against Magdeburg 35:32 (18:15).

*Final ranking:* 1. Al-Sadd (QAT) 8 pts, 2. SC Magdeburg (GER) 6 pts, 3. Metodista San Bernando (BRA) 4 pts, 4. FAP Cameroon (CMR) 1 pt, 5. Al Salmiya (KUW) 1 pt.

2007 in Cairo (Egypt):

In the tournament's final match, the tension was rising between the hosts (Al Ahly from Cairo) and the Champions League winner Ciudad Real (Spain), which had both won all previous matches. Even though Ciudad's player-coach Talant Dushebajew was red-carded, the Europeans narrowly won the match against the North Africans 29:28, after they had been 15:16 down during the half-time break. As already in 2002, five teams from four continents were competing.

*Final ranking:* 1. Ciudad Real (ESP) 8 pts, 2. Al-Ahly Cairo (EGY) 6 pts, 3. Mouloudia Club Alger (ALG) 4 pts, 4. Metodista San Bernando (BRA) 2 pts, 5. Al-Qadsiya (KUW) 0 pts.



2010 in Doha (Qatar):

Title defender Ciudad Real claimed its second "Club WCh title" at the IHF Super Globe after 2005. Short-term contracts for European stars such as Kiril Lazarow, Ivano Balic or Lars Jørgenssen concluded by host Al-Sadd did not make the favourite fall. The Spaniards were the sole team to remain unbeaten in the 750,000.- dollar-worth tournament. In the final against Al-Sadd, the top goalkeeper of the tournament, Arpad Sterbik, in particular, kept the Qataris at bay thanks to his saves. The match was well-balanced for a while thanks to Macedonian Kiril Lazarow's goals, and Al-Sadd even went into the 10:9 lead on minute 23 before Argentina's Eric Gull scored four goals in a row to give Ciudad Real the lead. The half-time score of 15:11 provided a preliminary decision although Al-Sadd, after changing ends, caught up to 16:17 again ('38). The 2006, 2008 and 2009 Champions League winner was dominant, and goals by top scorers (7) Gull and Jerome Fernandez extended the lead to 25:20. The die was finally cast with the score at 28:22. The Qatari goals were merely cosmetics to obtain a final score of 25:30. "It was a top-class final", Ciudad coach Talent Dushebajew stated. He won his third Club WCh title (after 1997 as a player of Santander and 2007 as the coach of Ciudad). "It was hard to beat Al-Sadd. It was an important victory for us, at least we are the first team to defend the Super Globe title", Dushebajew added. His counterpart, Veselin Vujovic (then coach of Al-Sadd) took his hat off to Ciudad Real: "It was impossible to stop them. We did our very best but Ciudad has been the best team in the world." 'His' top scorer, Lazarow, narrowly missed the top-scorer award despite his 40 goals. Egypt's Ahmed Al Ahmr became the top scorer. In the match for third place against Lebanon's Al-Sad alone, he scored 13 goals for his club, Al Zamalek, to attain a total of 41 goals. Al Ahmr was also elected the best player of the tournament. His team secured a clear 33:22 win over the Lebanese team to earn third place. Al-Sad had also recruited stars from RK Zagreb (Valcic, Spoljaric) to reinforce its team. More than 20,000 spectators watched the matches of the tournament, in which Brazil's Unopar Londras claimed a trouble-free win over Oceania representatives Southern Stars (Australia) to come in fifth. Ciudad Real had made a clean sweep in the preliminaries then outclassed Al-Sad (Lebanon) in the semi-finals. The same applied for Al-Sadd (Qatar) in the other group.

#### *Statistics:*

Preliminary round:

Group A: Ciudad Real – Al Zamalek 28:22 (17:13), Ciudad Real – Unopar 40:19 (21:8), Al Zamalek – Unopar 31:29 (15:15)

Group B: Al-Sadd – Al Saad 30:19 (15:10), Al-Sadd - Southern Stars 36:16 (16:8), Al-Sadd – Southern Stars 32:19 (16:7)

Semi-finals: Ciudad Real – Al-Sadd 41:18 (21:8), Al-Sadd – Al Zamalek 27:23 (13:12)

Match for fifth place: Unopar – Southern Stars 31:16 (16:8)

Match for third place: Al Zamalek – Al-Sadd 33:22 (12:8)

Final: Ciudad Real – Al-Sadd 30:25 (15:11)

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## THE TEAMS

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### *Group A:*

#### **THW Kiel (Germany), Europe's representative**

Germany's record champion earned 16 titles and is the record Cup winner, that earned six Cup titles, and is double Champions League winner. THW Kiel is one of the best handball clubs on both national and international level. Except for the current season the team from the North of Germany has been the predominant club of the German Bundesliga for years, backed by a huge spectator potential. The Sparkassen Arena is fully packed with 10,250 fans during every home match. The club sells more than 9,000 season tickets every year. Kiel's story of success started back in the mid 90s and is closely linked to names like Noka Serdarusic and Uwe Schwenker. The coach and the manager formed a team which was highly competitive in all competitions. Following three victories in the EHF Cup competition (1998, 2002 and 2004) it finally was time in 2007: For the first time in club history THW (nicknamed "the zebras") overcame German rival SG Flensburg Handewitt in the finals to claim the first Champions League title. Since then the German record champion has been a Champions League finalist every year. In 2008 and 2009 (headed by new coach Alfred Gislason and manager Uli Derad), they were narrowly defeated by Super Globe title defender Ciudad Real, in 2010 Kiel claimed a 36:34 final victory over FC Barcelona in the 'cream of the crop's' Final4 in front of 20,000 spectators to crown themselves continental champion and thus to qualify for the IHF Super Globe for the first time. Until then there was just one German side to compete in the Super Globe that is SC Magdeburg in 2002. The then Magdeburg coach was Alfred Gislason – and the Icelander has been the THW coach since 2008. He is the sole coach to win the Champions League with two different clubs (Magdeburg and Kiel). The THW squad somehow represents the handball 'who's who'. The current World Handball Player of the Year, Filip Jicha, is well known in Qatar, as he played in the Gulf region twice for a short period. Moreover Kiel's keeper Thierry Omeyer was the 2008 World Handball Player and is one of the world's top keepers, who, similar to Germany's Dominik Klein, was/is World Champion (Klein in 2007, Omeyer in 2001, 2009 and 2011). Another world-class player of the THW squad is French Daniel Narcisse, who found back into top shape after a long injury lay-off – in charge of attack play from the back-court aside from Serbia's Momir Illic and Jicha.

#### **Al-Sadd (Lebanon), Asia representative**

On an international level, the Lebanese national team hasn't made significant appearances so far, but, on club level, Al-Sadd has been a renowned handball club even before 2010 when they for the first time qualified for the IHF Super Globe as Asian representative. The Lebanese side performed this feat again – and to many people's surprise they overcame last year's Super Globe finalist Al-Sadd from Qatar in this year's Champions League tournament. In a thrilling final Al-Sadd claimed a 30:27 (16:16) victory over the actual favourite who, as the host team, has automatically qualified for the IHF Super Globe. In the Asian Champions League final, the Lebanese club earned a trouble-free win over Saudi Arabia's Mudhar. The affair was settled for Al-Sadd at half-time (19:12), the final score was 33:28. The club Al-Sadd comes from the Southern part of Beirut, Lebanon's capital. They performed bravely at last year's Super Globe edition, when they made their first appearance. They qualified for the semi-finals. But defeats to Ciudad Real and Al Zamallek "just" brought them fourth place. Due to last year's experience it remains to be seen whether or not Al-Sadd will recruit European top players again – in 2010, Croatia's Tonci Valcic and Dennis Spoljaric lined up for the Lebanese club.

### **Esporte Clube Pinheiros (Brazil), Pan-America representative**

For the first time in the club's history, Esporte Clube Pinheiros crowned itself continental champion at the Pan-American club Championship in Sao Bernardo do Campo (Brazil) and thus competes in the IHF Super Globe. The side was predominant during the qualification tournament and earned a clear 33:22 in the final without any chance for last year's continental champion Unopar (Brazil). Esporte Clube Pinheiros did not lose a single match. Following its victories in the preliminaries it claimed a equally clear 42:26 semi-final victory over Argentina's River Plate. "We achieved our goal", goalkeeper Maik stated after the final win: "We were keen to qualify for Qatar. And now we are trying to reach the semi-finals. This is not the end of the road." Coach Sergio Hortelano had also high praise in store: "We played an excellent tournament. We performed well and were agile. The qualification for the IHF Super Globe makes one of our big dreams come true." Currently Esporte Clube Pinheiros provides six players for Brazil's 22-headed squad during the Pan-American Games in Guadalajara (Mexico), which will establish the continental representative team for the London Olympic Games. Among these representative players are both goalkeepers, Maik and Marcao. Moreover many young talents of the club belong to Brazil's youth and junior national teams. In Doha, Esporte Clube Pinheiros will continue a tradition of Brazilian clubs, as it has always been a team from the country of the Sugar Mountain to represent Pan-America at the Super Globe. Last year Unopar came in fifth. Metodista Sao Barnardo earned bronze in 2002 that was the best rank.

### **Al-Rayyan Sport Club (Qatar), wild card**

Similar to Super Globe host Al-Sadd, the sports club of Al-Rayyan, founded in 1967, is a global club, the most famous department is the football department that signed and signs a multitude of international stars and that has won the Qatari championships several times. The volleyball, handball and basketball teams of Al-Rayyan, which line up in the club colours red and black, are also quite successful though. The club presided by Sheikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Thani is nicknamed "the lions". And the Qataris will have to fight like lions in their group matches in order to collect points. On home soil and as far as the Gulf Club Championship is concerned, Al-Rayyan is one of the top handball teams.

### *Group B:*

#### **BM Renovalia Ciudad Real (Spain), title defender**

15 years ago, the small town in La Mancha, a province of central Spain, was only known for Don Quixote, but then Domingo de Mera ambitiously introduced his handball project. The former master builder, who has by now become one of the richest men of Spain, composed a team which today belongs to the best of the best in Europe. Ciudad Real step by step succeeded the venerable FC Barcelona in dominating Spanish handball and then started its international career. The success originates from different people: in addition to de Mera, Talant Dushebajew is the one who has to be mentioned. He had started as a player, he then became player-coach and since 2007, he has only been coaching the currently most successful European handball club. Dushebajew and de Mera created a team without comparison. Their target has always been to sign the world's best players and therefore to form the world's best team. In 2002 and 2003, Ciudad Real won the European Cup Winners' Cup. In 2004, the change at the top was accomplished for the first time, by winning the Spanish Championship as well as the Cup. On a national level, four Championship and four Cup victories could be claimed. In 2005, the team for the first time reached the Champions League final, but lost to Barcelona, which scored one goal more. Their "consolation prize" was the first European Super Cup win. In 2006, the goal was finally attained: Ciudad Real won the Champions League final for the first time. In 2008 and 2009, the team overcame THW Kiel in the final to claim another two titles. In 2010 they missed the final by a razor-thin edge due to a defeat to THW in Cologne. In addition to further Super Cup victories on the European level, the team was also named "world's best team" thanks to the IHF Super Globe victory in 2007. In 2010 the Spaniards proved predominant in Doha to defend their title. Even if the team coached by Talant Dushebajew lost some top performers in recent years, it still dominates the field in every way. At Ciudad Real, it's not an individual top player who counts, but the unity within the team. Moreover, the Spanish champion can call the world's best defensive its own, including the two exceptional goalkeepers Arpad Sterbik (former World Handball Player of the Year) and Joase Hombrados and the world's best defensive player Didier Dinart (World Champion, Olympic Champion, European Champion with France and fourfold Champions League winner). With regard to its offensive, Ciudad Real is equally staffed. Among others it was Macedonia's Kiril Lazarov, who joined the team this season. He came from Zagreb and had lined up for Al-Sadd from Doha at the 2010 IHF Super Globe. Further Ciudad Real calls outstanding wing players such as France's Luc Abalo and Sweden's Jonas Källman its own. By now, the club also integrates many talented young players in the first team.

#### **Al-Sadd (Qatar), host team**

The team of Al-Sadd has been the leading handball team within the whole Gulf region for years. Ten times, the club from Doha has won the national league, seven times the Prince of Qatar Cup and six times the Heir Apparent Cup. Also on an international level, the team has drawn the attention: The biggest success was of course the IHF Super Globe victory in 2002. Last year the Qataris made it through to the final (also thanks to exclusive guest players from Europe), and for quite a long time it seemed as if they could cause a big sensation but finally lost to Spain's Ciudad Real. Furthermore, Al-Sadd has five times claimed the Asian Champions League title and once the Gulf League title. In 2011 they missed the Champions League final due to their semi-final defeat to later champion Al-Sad from Lebanon. However, by now Al-Sadd signed a European star. Representative player Renato Vigrinec from former Champions League champion RK Celje (Slovenia) moved to Qatar in January. He was recommended by former double World Handball Player of the Year Ivano Balic, who played with the colours of Al-Sadd at the 2010 IHF Super Globe. The club Al-Sadd almost represents a sporting authority in the Emirates, particularly with regard to football and handball. Many international stars and coaches either played for this club or coached it. The president of the club is Shaikh Tamim bin Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, the crown prince of the Emirates.

His predecessors also include highly respected personalities such as Abdullahbin Hamad Al-Attia, Qatar's current Minister for Oil and Energy. When it comes to sport, Al-Sadd leads the way in the whole Gulf region and features state-of-the-art sports facilities and venues. The club was founded by Qassem bin Hamad Al-Thani on 21 October 1969, after a couple of students had formed a football team that became more and more successful. Today, Al-Sadd is the umbrella of different types of sport which are very popular throughout Asia. Among its most successful representatives are the handball players who will try their best at the IHF Super Globe to repeat their success of 2010. However, a remake of last year's final will be staged in the preliminaries already.

### **Zamalek (Egypt), Africa representative**

As last year, Zamalek from Egypt was the last team to qualify for the IHF Super Globe – and Egypt's Zamalek qualified again for the tournament in Doha. In the final of the African Club Championship, which was staged in Yaounde (Cameroon), the team from Cairo defeated Etoile Shael from Tunisia 25:21 (15:11). The Egyptian side with many national players within its rank had a brilliant start surging ahead to 11:4 and dominated the final until the very end. Zamalek had claimed bronze at the 2010 Super Globe. Following a narrow semi-final defeat to host Al-Sadd the Egyptians secured a clear 33:22 victory over Al-Sad from Lebanon in the match for third place. Zamalek's list of achievements is long: The team has already won 16 times the Egyptian Championship, 11 times the Egyptian Cup and seven times the Egyptian Super Cup title. On an international level, Zamalek has won twice the Arab Cup, eight times the African Champions League, three times the African Cup Winners' Cup and once the African Super Cup. The most famous player is Ahmed Al Ahmr, who was elected the best player of the 2010 Super Globe and also became the top scorer with 41 goals scored.

### **AHF Southern Stars (Australia), Oceania representative**

It is the second time in IHF Super Globe history that a team from Oceania takes part in the tournament for the world's best club teams – and AHF Southern Stars supplies a majority of players for Australia's national team, which competed in the Sweden WC. In 2010, the Super Globe provided an important step during the preparation of Taip Ramadan's team for the WCh where Australia ranked 24<sup>th</sup> again but performed well to surprise the experts. "Being invited to the Super Globe again means great chances for us and is a great honour for handball in Australia and Oceania", Ramadan said. He is familiar with handball within the Gulf region, since he has also been working in Qatar. One of the team's stars is Bevan Calvert. He had been part of Australia's national team in 2003 when it celebrated its sole WCh victory so far. The 24-year-old meanwhile plays in Germany, at second-league club TSV Altenholz. Moreover some old hands are part of the team, who already competed in the 2000 Sydney Olympics. The Australians also want to develop their international relationships during the Super Globe. "We made contact with Asian federations and national teams from the Middle East in Sweden. Spontaneously Korea promised us support; moreover we intend cooperation with Bahrain and Kuwait for example. Thus handball in Australia may progress", Ramadan said.

### Interview with triple Super Globe winner Talant Dushebajew (Ciudad Real coach)

#### **“We will be put to the test“**

He participated in the Super Globe three times and he finally won the title three times. There isn't anybody who has been more successful at the World Championship for Club Teams than Talant Dushebajew. As a player he won the title at the first Super Globe in 1997 with his Spanish club Teka Santander, in 2007 his final victory with Ciudad Real over Al-Ahly from Egypt was his last match as a player-coach, since then the Kirghiz-born with Spanish nationality has been a coach. In 2010, when the tournament was named IHF Super Globe for the first time, he, from the bench, led the Spaniards of Ciudad Real to their second title and his third own one. As the title defender, Dushebajew wants to have a finger in the pie at the 2011 IHF Super Globe again.

*Defending the 2010 title, what would it mean to you?*

Talant Dushebajew: This title is very important for me and for the club; after all it is a World Championship. We want to become World Champion again. We want to manage the hat-trick. However, it will be much more difficult this year to win due to the Champions League winner from Germany, THW Kiel, who will participate and due to competitors from Qatar and Lebanon, who will considerably strengthen their sides. We will be put to a real test in Doha.

*The final tournament of the Champions League will be staged ten days after the Super Globe final – will Doha be a sort of 'general rehearsal'?*

Talant Dushebajew: Maybe, but we concentrate on the competition coming next first and then we will see.

*Is your team in shape?*

Talant Dushebajew: I think we performed well recently. Due to the players' strain resulting from the World Championship in Sweden we had some problems; the players were really tired. But we got over this as evidenced by the victory over Barcelona (top of the table) in the championship or victories in the Champions League. We recovered, now we are back in serious training, as players like Roberto Garcia, who had been sidelined due to injury, are back in the team. I think we are in very good shape and will be able to 'run at full throttle'.

*Do you assume that your team will meet THW Kiel in the final?*

Talant Dushebajew: You would expect such a final on paper but I hold our preliminary round opponent, Al-Sadd from Qatar, in high esteem, as the side will be even stronger than last year. It is for sure that the teams from Qatar or Lebanon will do their very best in the Gulf region; therefore it is difficult to say whether or not you may expect a final Ciudad Real – Kiel from the very beginning. I expect a tough match against Al-Sadd.

*Last year Kiril Lazarow played with the colours of Al-Sadd, since the beginning of this season the Macedonian has been playing for your club. Will the IHF Super Globe be something special for Lazarow?*

Talant Dushebajew: He made big progress since he has been in our team and he is looking forward to the tournament. But the following is valid for him: He was injured in the decisive matches when we let go the Spanish championship. If he had been in the team, it would have turned out differently.

Interview with current World Handball Player of the Year, Filip Jicha, from THW Kiel, who already played twice for clubs in the Gulf region

### **“I enjoy coming to Qatar“**

Czech Filip Jicha is the current World Handball Player of the Year – with his club, THW, Kiel, he returns to the country where he already played as a professional: Qatar. Jicha is looking forward to playing handball in the Gulf region again where he spent his holidays in the wintertime – and predicts that handball in the region will make progress.

*You played twice for clubs in the Gulf region – how did these engagements come?*

Filip Jicha: I played in the United Arab Emirates, for a club from Saudi Arabia and in Qatar. Back then at the age of 20 it was a real adventure for me. That time brings back a lot of good memories. It was simply great to get to know the different borders of cultures and mentalities.

*What are your memories for your time in Qatar – was it fun playing handball there?*

Filip Jicha: It was a good experience to be with the teammates who had a quite different philosophy of life. In terms of handball too, it was quite different compared to Europe. I enjoyed my time there.

*How do you assess handball in Qatar – especially in view of the 2015 WCh?*

Filip Jicha: There is a great potential for handball. If things run well and if you get the right approach, handball will be able to conquer the Arab region.

*You spent your holidays in Qatar in the wintertime? What is so fascinating about this country?*

Filip Jicha: From Europe it does not take much time to get there and then you are in a different world. It is absolutely great to experience the people's hospitality and the fascinating Orient. And I feel good there and like returning there.

*Let's talk about your club, THW Kiel: Do you have a chance to win the IHF Super Globe?*

Filip Jicha: No matter where we play. We are always eager to win. We will see at the end of the tournament whether we succeeded. How important would it be for you to become 'Club World Champion'?

Filip Jicha: Everybody wants to be part of the world's best club team. Titles you gain in a team are always something special. And we have yet to win this title. We do not travel to Qatar for holiday but we want to win.

*A final seeing Kiel and Ciudad Real is likely to happen – do you share this opinion?*

Filip Jicha: This might be likely to happen on paper. However, we hold the other teams in high esteem and handball has always surprises in store.

## **“The Gulf region provides great potential for development“**

He has been the powerful man at THW Kiel since 2009: managing director Uli Derad. The former German Bundesliga player and German champion (with Gummersbach) had previously been the managing director of club Bayer Dormagen. The 46-year-old directs the destiny of the German record champion in conjunction with Sabine Holdorf-Schust. Derad judged THW's participation at the Super Globe positively – for both sporting and economic reasons and for making contacts in the flourishing Gulf region.

*THW Kiel will make its debut at the Super Globe. How important is the tournament for the club in terms of sports and economy?*

Uli Derad: In sporting terms, it will be another challenge for us. We are proud of taking part in this tournament. Unfortunately this tournament was badmouthed in Germany in recent weeks. Our perception is a different one: a Club World Championship is actually attractive in terms of sports. The financial appeal is certainly a big argument too. A club not backed by a patron must consider the financial aspects.

*How important is it for THW to present itself in new surroundings?*

Uli Derad: Everybody is talking about pushing handball to break barriers and to ‘conquer’ new regions. We do not just want to talk but become active. It is another reason why we compete in this tournament. I felt a passion for handball when I visited the Gulf region. Not as strong as at home but it is chance for handball and for the region. We are pleased to support them.

*Will THW also use the tournament to make new contacts in the Gulf region?*

Uli Derad: This is another aspect the management has to keep in mind. We have made first contacts and we are willing to intensify them or to extend them. This is simply part of the story.

*How do you prepare for the Super Globe – is it some informal training or do you prepare yourselves in a way similar to a training for national and international matches?*

Uli Derad: The coach decides. At this point during the season you are unable to say how preparations shall be. The season's competitions are running at full swing and thus the team is well trained. I promise we do take the tournament seriously.

*Does the team look forward to the tournament?*

Uli Derad: Due to the time schedule it is indeed somewhat difficult to look forward to the tournament right now. Recently people have just been moaning and groaning about the tight schedule. But the guys are professionals. They understand what this event means for the club, that is their employer. And they will have the right attitude when coming to Qatar.

*What importance do you attach to the Club WCh title for THW?*

Uli Derad: It is well known what makes THW tick, isn't it? If we compete in such a tournament, it is for sure that we want to win.

*A final against Ciudad Real is likely to happen – or does the host have a chance too?*

Uli Derad: We are talking about sports so everything could happen. We will take all participating teams seriously.



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## THE TEAMS

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*How do you generally assess the progress of handball in the Gulf region?*

Uli Derad: The region offers great potential for our sport. Already now, there is big enthusiasm for German handball and the sport in general. We feel it to be ambassadors of the German Handball Bundesliga in order to promote handball, and we would like to assist in making it more popular. You must not forget that it will be even more important in view of the World Championship in Qatar.

*The participation of THW Kiel, is it great strain during the hot phase of the season or a welcome change?*

Uli Derad: It means great strain we do not want to hide this. But the trip will also make a welcome change for our team. Yet, the players travel a lot throughout Europe, but still a trip to the Gulf region means they will have a very special experience.

*Filip Jicha already played in Qatar – did he tell the team and the officials about Doha?*

Uli Derad: Filip is always excited when talking about his time in Qatar. He also spent his winter holidays there. This underlines his excitement for Qatar.

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## SNIPPETS

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**The First Global Coaching Clinic** – For the first time in IHF history the World Association will hold a Global Coaching Clinic – a seminar for coaches to obtain the IHF's A licence. The first Global Coaching Clinic consists of two parts; the first one will be held on the fringes of the IHF Super Globe, the second one in Oman from 6 to 11 July. The course including a total of 130 training units is addressed to coaches from Asia and Arabic-speaking countries. The national federations registered their coaches with the top-class training. Aside from instructors from the IHF's own ranks, two coaches from the crew of World Champion France could be engaged: Sylvain Nouet, assistant coach, and Alain Quintallet, athletics coach. The Global Coaching Clinic, which is meant to take place all around the world soon, offers latest training methods, unique testing methods – in small groups. After the course every participant will have a mentor in order to assure a long-term development.

Course instructors:

Frantisek Taborsky, member of the IHF Commission of Coaching and Methods

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Zoltan Marczinka, member of the IHF Commission of Coaching and Methods

Nabeel Taha Al-Shehab, IHF instructor

Sylvain Nouet, Alain Quintallet, coaching crew of the French men's national team.

**The Hall** – All matches will be staged at the Al-Gharaffa hall in Doha with a capacity of 3,000. It is owned by the Al-Gharaffa club and is situated just next to one of the 2022 Soccer World Cup stadiums.

**The Teams** – As is the rule during IHF competitions, 16 players per team are allowed in the starting line-up. They shall be taken from the provisional registration list. The 'list of 28' had to be submitted to the IHF no later than 2 May 2011. Up to 2 players may be replaced per match.

**The New Rule** – For the first time the teams may receive three team time-outs per match in an IHF competition, a maximum of two per half-time and merely one during the last five minutes of the match.



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