

Press release

## EHF EURO 2010 Tickets Sales Start

3 March 2009, Vienna - The countdown for the 2010 Men's European Handball Championship in Austria from January 19 to 31 in 2010 has started: it's only 322 days to go. On Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2009, the international ticket sales are going to start: about 200,000 handball fans will be able to watch the games live in the halls of Linz, Graz, Innsbruck, Vienna and Wiener Neustadt. Therefore, fans should secure their tickets in time for the biggest handball event ever to take place in Austria.

The EHF EURO 2010 will bestow "Magic Moments" upon handball fans from Sweden to Slovenia, from Portugal to Poland. The preliminary round will take place from 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2010 in Graz, Linz, Innsbruck and Wr. Neustadt, the main round from 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> of January 2010 in Vienna and Innsbruck. The semi-finals and the finals will be played in the "Wiener Stadthalle" on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2010 in Vienna.

The ticket sales will be divided into three phases. In the first phase, from 3<sup>rd</sup> of March until the draw of the final tournament in early July, 30 percent of the tickets will be available. These will be tickets for all venues in the preliminary and main round as well as for the semi-finals and finals.

In addition, a limited number of tickets for matches to follow one team in the preliminary round, the "nations' packages", will be available.

As soon as the host cities for all preliminary groups will be defined (the draw for the Final Tournament will be carried out on 3 July 2009), the number of the "nations' packages" on offer will be extended according to availability.

In the third phase, from 16<sup>th</sup> of September until the end of the EHF EURO 2010 (31<sup>st</sup> of January), all remaining tickets will be available for purchase (with all unsold tickets of the National Federation contingents being put on sale).

The ticket prices in the preliminary round will be between the range of  $20 \in$  and  $60 \in$ . in the main round between 24 and 90€ Tickets for the finals will cost between 50 and 160€.

## HOST CITIES | Match day

Preliminary Round 19.01.-23.01.2010 Main Round 24.01.-28.01.2010 Main Round 25.01.-28.01.2010 Semi-finals 30.01.2010 Finals

Graz | Linz | Innsbruck | Wr. Neustadt Innsbruck Vienna Vienna Vienna

EURO 2010 tickets will be sold exclusively online on <u>www.ehf-euro.com</u> or www.euro2010.at.

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You can also call the EURO 2010 call centre (Phone: +43 1 58885 - 600) and, after publication of the final schedule (July 2009), tickets will be available via the agencies of the exclusive EURO 2010 ticketing partner, WIEN-TICKET.

## Pictures (© ÖHB):

- Martin Hausleitner, Secretary General of the Austrian Handball Federation, hands over the first EURO 2010-ticket to Austrian Olympic medallist, the Croatian-born Mirna Jukic.

- On the occasion of the opening of the ticket sales, the CEO of EHF EURO partner company Interwetten, Thomas Daubek, received the first tickets for EURO 2010. The tickets were handed over by Austrian Handball Federation Secretary General, Martin Hausleitner.

Thomas Daubek: "We are pleased that the advanced ticket sales start right now. As a partner of the Austrian Handball Federation, the tension also rises for us as the countdown for the biggest handball event ever to take place in Austria has begun. I can only recommend every handball fan to secure their tickets for this major event, because enjoying a handball game live is an extraordinary experience. As a main sponsor, we will also provide some EURO 2010 tickets on www.interwetten.com."

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