

## Poland earned three medals at the EUBC Schoolboys & Schoolgirls European Boxing Championships on Day5

### **Description**

Another longer competition day took place at the EUBC Schoolboys & Schoolgirls European Boxing Championships in Erzurum, Turkey. Altogether 41 contests were on the agenda of the fifth day of boxing and many of these fights decided the medals in the event. The Polish boxers earned three guaranteed medals, making a perfect day.

Italy, Armenia, Hungary, Ukraine, Greece, Azerbaijan and England secured the first medals in the schoolboy part of the championships. Romania, Georgia, Ireland, Czech Republic, Poland, Greece, Germany, Turkey and Latvia joined them.

Following the EUBC U22 European Boxing Championships, the EUBC Youth European Boxing Championships and the EUBC European Men's Elite Boxing Championships, the next continental event will be held for the schoolboys and schoolgirls.

The competition period of the EUBC Schoolboys & Schoolgirls European Boxing Championships is August 12-20. Following the rest day, the 29 finals will be held on August 20. The Technical Delegate of the EUBC Schoolboys & Schoolgirls European Boxing Championships is Mr. Viorel Sima of Romania.

The following 28 nations registered to attend at the EUBC Schoolboys & Schoolgirls European Boxing Championships: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, England, Estonia, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Scotland, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine.

### **The bout of the day**

The management of the Romanian Boxing Federation arranged three international tournaments in 2022 and one of them was held for the schoolboys and schoolgirls too. The Gheorgheni Open supported the Romanian talents to increase their international experiences and these paid off in Erzurum. Fleseriu Andrei Alexandru is a fantastic talent in our sport and he had a crucial quarter-final bout in the smallest weight class, at the 40kg. Croatia's Adem Gasi was highly competitive but Alexandru's great final round

guaranteed the Romanian medal in Erzurum.

### **The Round-Up**

Moldova's Chirill Slepai has strong family roots in boxing, his elder brother is a member of the U22 national team. The 14-year-old Moldovan opened his campaign only in the fifth competition day of the EUBC Schoolboys & Schoolgirls European Boxing Championships. Slepai faced Hungary's Istvan Czifra in the Round of 16 and started the first round better, and his excellent rhythm guaranteed his advantage in all of the five judges' scorecards. Slepai was able to share his power effectively and eliminated his Hungarian opponent advancing to the quarter-finals where he will now meet Ireland's James Michael Casey.

Scotland's Jacob Naismith trains at the O'Neil's Boxing Club in his homeland and won the British Three Nations Championships last month. The Scottish talent has more than three years of ring experience despite his young age and his excellent speed was uncomfortable for Turkey's Ahmet Imren. Naismith landed multiple shots and his combinations stopped the Turkish attacks which meant the Scottish joined the quarter-finals at the busy 46kg weight class. His next opponent will be Czech Republic's Dorian Kropog who eliminated Martin Bohuncak of Slovakia in a tight bout.

Eighteen boxers are fighting for the medals at the 50kg weight class and Georgia's Akaki Basaria had to start his road already in the Round of 32. He eliminated Hungary's Dominik Gombai and Turkey's Muhammed Refik Tuncer to join the quarter-finals but he was expecting a hard challenge against Ukraine's Tymofii Sydoruk. Both boxers showed sensational tempo in the hectic first round to take the advantage on the judges' scorecards. The Georgian increased his speed and number of punches in the beginning of the second round and after three exciting rounds, his hand was raised earning a medal in Erzurum.

Czech Republic's Tomas Glovcik is the best prospect in the schoolboys' national team and he had not only great plans in the EUBC Schoolboys & Schoolgirls European Boxing Championships but following his impressive performance, he is now a medallist at the 54kg. The Czech boxer and his Romanian opponent, Renato Mihai Nica wanted the guaranteed medal so much and both fought until their last drop of power. Glovcik was slightly better in these exchanges and advanced to the last four where he can fight for the final with Ukraine's Bohdan Tymchuk.

England's Isaac Huczmann arrived from a boxing family as Chirill Slepai, his elder brother is well-known in the international stage. The English boxer opened his campaign with a

fantastic performance, his strength was decisive in the preliminary round of the 54kg weight class. Huczmann continued in the same way at the quarter-finals and Croatia's Dino Selak suffered from the English boxer's heavy shots. After the counts, the referee stopped their unequal quarter-final and Huczmann will face Poland's Patryk Dudek in the semi-finals.

Poland's Bartosz Kuros was highly confident against Romania's Robert Alexandru Cucu in the Round of 16 at the 63kg and advanced to the quarter-finals. His teammate, Kajetan Bejzert got a bye in the preliminary round and he looked fresh in the important quarter-final against Ukraine's Vladyslav Naumenko. The 14-year-old Polish boxer landed the better shots and secured a medal for his promising nation. The second and the third Polish medals were achieved by Daniel Murawski and Jerzy Armatys following their brilliant triumphs over strong Ukrainian rivals.

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