



Competitions Conference

Team 5 – Pivot

Topic 2: Competitions balance-System & Calendar

Players

- Stress on players concerning the release for the National Team
- Not taking part in World Championships is not in the interest of the player
- The problem is not the number of the matches, the frequency is the problem (e.g. matches on Wednesday, Saturday or Sunday, Wednesday)

Clubs

- The same calendar for all continents
- During National teams activities also the second and the third league have to interrupt the competition
- Reduce the European Cup Competitions – e.g. combine EHF Cup with Cupwinners' Cup

National Teams

- Stable calendar for National Team Teams – same numbers of matches per year spread out over the year
- Calendar between EHF and HF with fixed periods for National Team activities
- September dates could be also possible for major competition from the point of view of marketing
- World Championships every two years without European Teams → Continental Cup
- Tournament without Top Players
- European Championships in September – good preparation for the National Leagues, take over the "Hype" of an European Championship to National Leagues
- Solutions: which matches should be reduced?
 - Move European Championship to enlarge the recovering period
 - "Give and take"