



## ANALYSIS OF UEFA FUTSAL EURO 2014

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### TECHNICAL TOPICS



- The four semi-finalists have the strongest domestic leagues.
- Mid-ranking teams such as Croatia and Slovenia are improving, partly because their best players are now playing abroad and because their coaches have improved.
- Considerable improvement in set-play strategies.
- Improvement in power plays (only one player not joining the attack and another strategically choosing when to have the last word).
- Widespread use of a specialist pivot (in combination with a 4-0 formation).
- As a result of this we saw a switch from 1-1-1-2 defending to 1-1-2-1, enabling the pivot to defend better.
- Improvement in the standard of goalkeeping, attributable to specialised coaching.
- Time-outs:
  - Only 52 of the 90 available were used (63%).
  - 37% of them were used in the last ten minutes.
  - Roberto Menichelli used three time-outs in five matches.



## GOALS (1)



### ▪ AVERAGE

- 1999: 5.38 per game
- 2010: 6.35 per game
- 2014: 6.05 per game

### ▪ WHEN (minutes)

- 1-5: 10
- 6-10: 15
- 11-15: 11
- 16-20: 16
- 21-25: 17
- 26-30: 14
- 31-35: 13
- 36-40: 24
- ET: 1



## GOALS (2)



- Corner: 15
- Free-kick (direct): 1
- Free-kick (indirect): 1
- Penalties (6m): 1
- Penalties (10m): 0
- Kick-in: 11
- Combination: 23
- Breakthrough in the middle: 10
- Breakthrough on the wing: 9
- Power play: 11
- Individual action: 17
- Goalkeeper distribution: 5
- Long-range shot: 14
- Own goal: 1

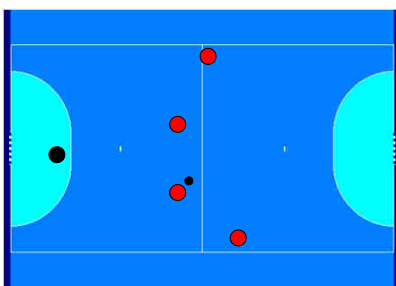


## TALKING POINTS

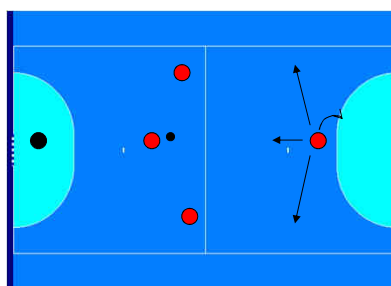


- Staging of the UEFA Futsal EURO every four years to streamline the international calendar.
- Creating an U-21 UEFA Futsal EURO.
- Players are too old:
  - Biro Jade (41)
  - Lucio (38)
  - Roman Mares (38)
  - Pavlenko (38)
  - None of the 168 players who featured was under 21.

## ATTACKING FORMATION





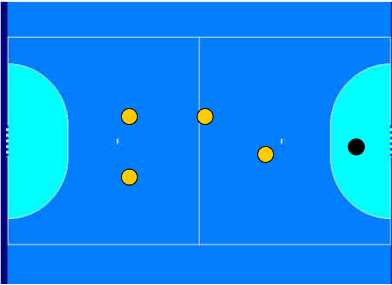
WITHOUT A PIVOT (4-0)



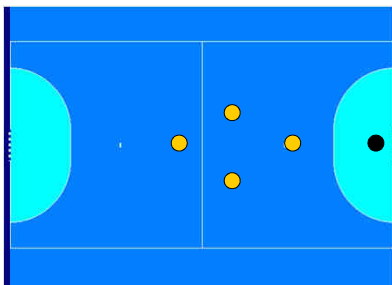
WITH A PIVOT (3-1)

**DEFENSIVE FORMATION**






**AGAINST A 4-0 ATTACK**



**AGAINST A 3-1 ATTACK**



*Many thanks for your attention*

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