

US Club Soccer announces two international coach education experiences for member coaches

CHARLESTON, S.C. (Jan. 15, 2025) – US Club Soccer is thrilled to offer its members international coach education opportunities this year: the first in Scotland in April and the second in Switzerland in July. The European tours include a well-balanced curation of technical and tactical learning directly with academy directors, as well as cultural immersions through sightseeing and professional games.

<u>Scotland</u>

- Dates: April 21-28
- Locations: Edinburgh/Glasgow, Scotland
- <u>Registration info here</u>
- Tentative itinerary available by visiting the registration page and entering the tour code (Steps 1-2 of registration)
- Deadline to register: March 10

This tour will run concurrently with US Club Soccer's boys id2 National Selection International Tour. Highlights include: three classroom sessions, attendance at several local academy training sessions and all of US Club Soccer's id2 National Selection team games, tour of the Celtic FC stadium, attendance at an Scottish Premier Football League professional match and sightseeing to explore Edinburgh, Glasgow and surrounding areas. The tour organizer is World Strides.



<u>Switzerland</u>

- Dates: July 1-10
- Location: Zurich, Switzerland

- <u>Registration information here</u>
- <u>Tentative itinerary here</u>
- Deadline to register: Feb. 25

This tour takes advantage of the world-renowned UEFA Women's EURO 2025 tournament, which takes place in Switzerland this year. The Dutch Soccer Federation (KNVB) is extending an immersive experience to attendees, including two group games of the Dutch National Team (July 5 vs. Wales and July 9 vs. England) and an additional group stage match of Spain vs. Portugal (July 3). Participants will join Dutch supporters in their pregame march to the stadium. Coaches can expect 5-6 classroom sessions with KNVB, which will focus on the Dutch National Team's EURO preparations and KNVB girls soccer development in the Netherlands. Sightseeing excursions complement the itinerary throughout the immersive experience. Please note the fast-approaching registration deadline is to accommodate EURO ticket deadlines. The tour organizer is Premier International Tours.



Specific questions regarding registration and activities for either trip should be directed to the organizing tour parties, which can be accessed through the registration links.

US Club Soccer members are encouraged to monitor its <u>Education web page</u> to view its robust library of resources related to coach education courses, mental health, referee development, sideline behavior and inclusivity.

ABOUT US CLUB SOCCER:

A National Association member of the U.S. Soccer Federation, **US Club Soccer** fosters the growth and development of soccer clubs in order to create the best possible environment for players of all ages.

Anchored by **Players First** and its pillars of Club Development, Coaching Development, Player Development, Referee Development, Parent Engagement & Education and Player Health & Safety, US Club Soccer offers registration, league- and cup-based competition platforms, player identification and a variety of other programming, resources and services.

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