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WHO'S WHO

2ND EDITION - 2022-2023







North, Central America and Caribbean

8 participants

- Julie Uhrman Angel City FC (USA)
- Alberto Marrero Atlético de San Luis (Mexico)
- Mauricio Culebro Tigres UANL (Mexico)
- Carli Lloyd Gotham FC (USA)
- Martín Machón Club Antigua GFC (Guatemala)
- Andre Zanotta FC Dallas (USA)
- Gordon Kljestan LA Galaxy (USA)
- Claudia Carrión Club América (Mexico)





Julie Uhrman

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In July 2020, **Angel City Football Club (ACFC)** was created as a US-based National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) member and announced that it would start playing in April 2022.

To date, over 100 active and passionate investors have joined ACFC (Serena Williams, James Corden, Ryan Kalil, and many more.



Alberto Marrero

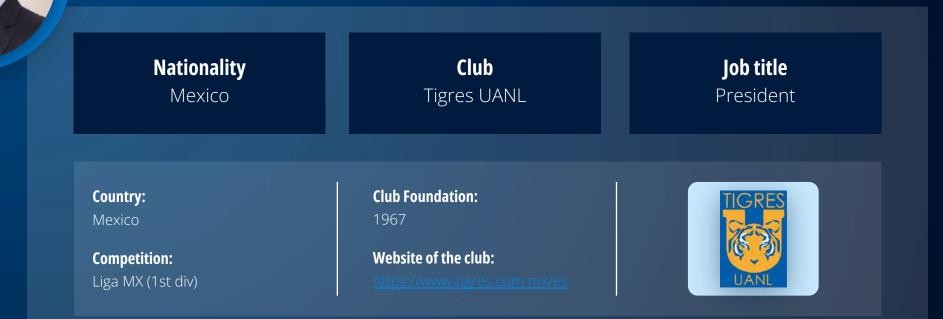


In 2017 **Atlético de San Luis** was acquired by Atlético Madrid, announcing a 50% ownership of the club along with the state of San Luis and other minority owners.

In 2019 Atlético San Luis was promoted to the first division of Mexican football.







Tigres is the official team of the University of the state of Nuevo León. Tigres became the first CONCACAF team to reach a final in the FIFA Club World Cup, where they lost 1–0 to FC Bayern Munich.

Championships:

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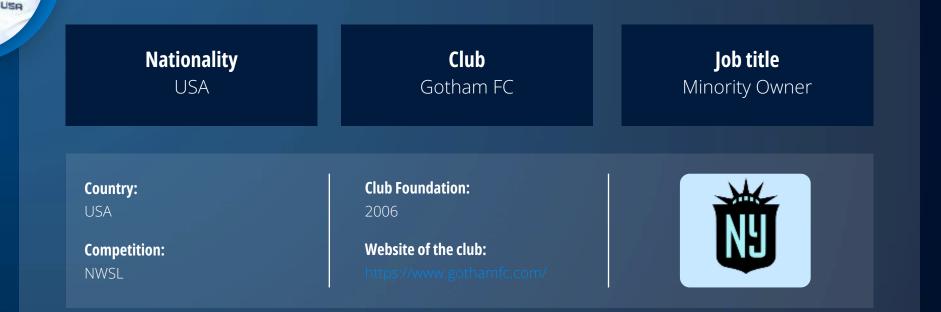
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- 7 Liga MX / 3 Copa MX.
- 1 CONCACAF Champions League.



Carli Lloyd

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Based in New Jersey, **Gotham FC** was originally founded in 2007, when it made its debut as Jersey Sky Blue in the W-League of United Soccer Leagues. In April of 2021 (then known as Sky Blue FC) made a dramatic shift with a new brand identity becoming NJ/NY Gotham FC. The name, logo and colors were selected after extensive fan involvement.

Gotham FC has been part of the NWSL since the inception of the competition in 2012 and among its other investors are figures such as the NBA player Kevin Durant.





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Martín Machón



Club Antigua GFC Championships:

- In 1998 the team's administration was again given to the Municipality.
- In 2006 they were relegated after seven years in the top flight.
- In 2014 it returned to 1st division after purchasing Deportivo Heredia place.





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Andre Zanotta

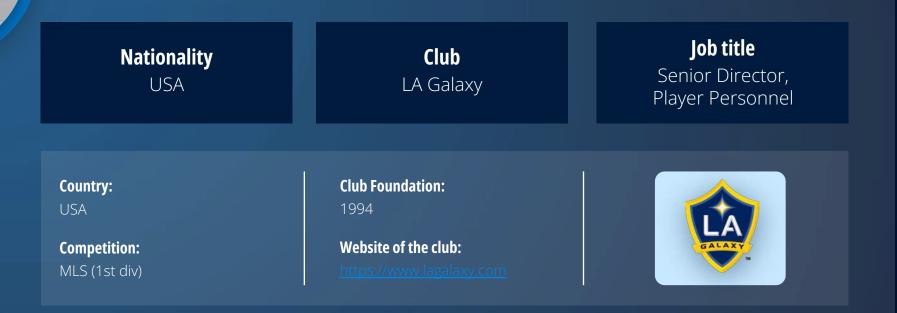


FC Dallas is a member of MLS since its inception in 1996. It is owned and operated by Hunt Sports Group. It plays at the Toyota Stadium in Frisco, Texas. This latter is one of the first soccer-specific stadiums built in the United States. Indeed, the venue hosts Major League Soccer matches, concerts, international soccer matches, college and high school football.



Gordon Kljestan

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LA Galaxy was founded in 1994 and are owned by Anschutz Entertainment Group. The club began to play in 1996 as one of the league's 10 charter members. The franchise is one of the MLS most successful teams, with a record 5 MLS Cups and 4 additional appearances in the final and won the Western Conference regular-season title 8 times.





Claudia Carrión



Club América is one of the most important clubs in Mexico. The team plays its home games at the Estadio Azteca, the largest stadium in Latin America, and one of the largest stadiums in the world (87,000 seats). **Championships:**

- 13 Liga MX / 6 Copa MX.
- 7 CONCACAF Championships.

South America

11 participants

- Carlos Humberto Amodeo Neto Gremio (Brazil)
- Luiz A. Mello Clube de Regatas Vasco da Gama (Brazil)
- Eduardo Valdivia Medling Club Bolívar (Bolivia)
- Gerardo Moyano Cires Club Atlético Talleres (Argentina)
- Ricardo Bettocchi Callirgos FBC Melgar (Peru)
- Guido Baroli Defensa y Justicia (Argentina)
- Rodrigo Robles Audax Italiano (Chile)
- Javier Noblega Montevideo City Torque (Uruguay)
- Fernando Luiz Roza Athletico Paranaense (Brazil)
- Miguel Ángel Mea Vitali Caracas FC (Venezuela)
- Nicolás Borrero Deportivo Cali (Colombia)



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Carlos Humberto Amodeo Neto



Despite currently being in the Brazilian 2nd division, **Gremio** is a very important club in the country.

Championships:

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- 1983 World Champion.
- 3 Copa Libertadores.
- 2 Serie A / 5 Copa do Brasil.



Luiz A. Mello

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Vasco da Gama was founded in 1898 as a rowing club and the professional football branch was created in 1915, by Portuguese immigrants. It is the fifth-most supported club in Brazil according to many studies. 777 Partners, which is a Miami-based private investment firm, acquired in 2022 a 70% stake in the club, valuing it at approximately \$330 million.



Eduardo Valdivia Medling

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Club Bolívar is the most successful and popular club in the history of Bolivian football, with 30 titles. In January 2021, Club Bolivar was announced as the first partner club of City Football Group. In January 2021, the club's "Plan Centenario" was announced, which is a five-year plan to construct an academy, open the club's ownership to fans, and win a "tricampeonato" (three-time consecutive championship) or reach a CONMEBOL final by 2025 (club's centenary year).



Gerardo Moyano Cires

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Talleres has had a great growth since Andrés Fassi took over the club. It has grown not only in sports but also at an institutional and economic level. In 1999 it became champion of the Copa Conmebol.

- In 2013 Talleres the team was relegated to 3rd Division.
- In 2015 Talleres returned to 2nd Division.
- In 2016 returned to 1st Division.

The club has more than 50,000 active members.



Ricardo Bettocchi Callirgos



Melgar is the most beloved club in the city of Arequipa since it is the only team outside of Lima that has remained in the 1st division since 1971. The club was champion of the 1st division of Peru in 2015. **Championships:**

- Peruvian 1st division (2).
- Apertura/Clausura (3).
- Copa Peru (1).

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Guido Baroli

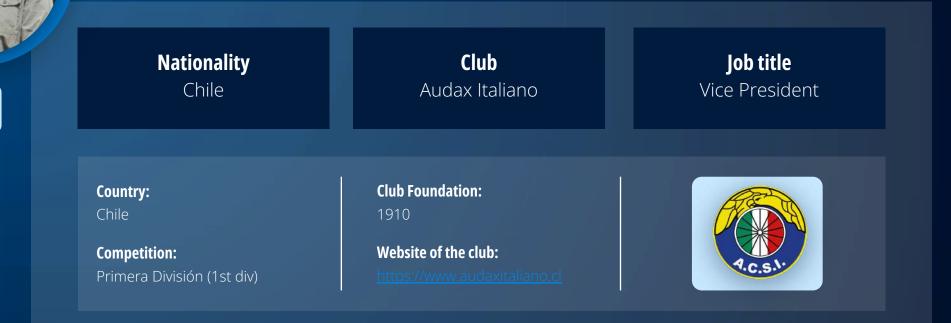


Defensa y Justicia has played in all the divisions of the Argentinian league system since its debut in Primera D Metropolitana in 1978. It debuted in the 1st Division in 2014. In 2021, the club achieved its first international titles after winning the 2020 Copa Sudamericana and 2021 Recopa Sudamericana.



Rodrigo Robles

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Audax Italiano had its first major success in 1936, when it won the league tournament. Audax also won three leagues in 1946, 1948 and 1957. In January 2007, the club was transformed into a limited liability corporation, and changed its name to Audax Italiano La Florida.





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Montevideo City Torque was founded in 2007 as Club Atlético Torque and has been owned by City Football Group (CFG) since April 2017. This eventually resulted in the change to the club's name in 2020. At the same time, it was announced that the club would begin work on the construction of a new academy and administrative complex, intended to be one of the most advanced academy centres in South America.



Fernando Luiz Rosa (Fernandinho)



Club Athletico Paranaense, nicknamed as Furação (hurricane), was founded in 1924, originating from the merger of two clubs from Curitiba: América and Internacional. The club is a reference in Brazil and abroad for its modern infrastructure, with the Arena do CAP, the most modern stadium in the country, being one of the stages of the 2014 World Cup.

Championships:

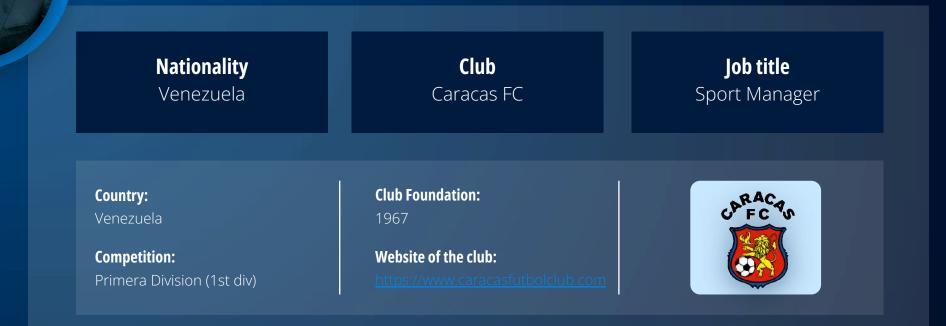
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- 22 Campeonato Paranaense
- Brazilian Serie A Champion in 2001





Miguel Ángel Mea Vitali

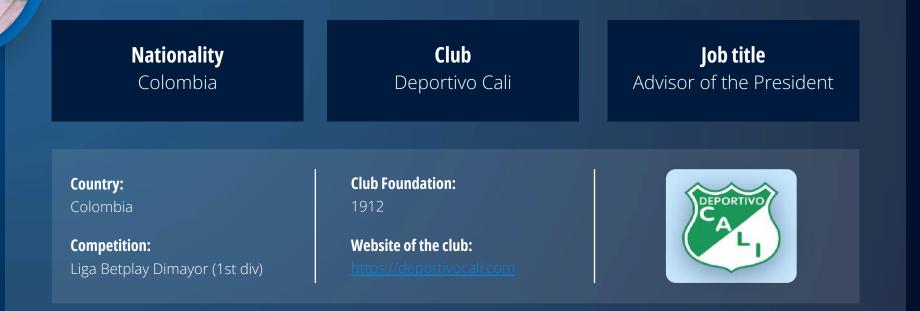


Caracas FC is the most successful team in Venezuela (12 titles). Due to its history and its great sports present, the club is considered the most important sports institution in Venezuela.





Nicolás Borrero



Deportivo Cali is the only club in Colombia to be owned by its fans and the only Colombian football club that owns its stadium. In 2021, Deportivo Cali won their 10th league title after six years.

Championships:

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• 10 Local Leagues / 2 Local Cups.



Europe

12 participants

- Robert Micallef Santa Lucía FC (Malta)
- Ray Haughan Liverpool FC (England)
- **Richard Feuz** Servette FC (Switzerland)
- Oliver Krause Parma Calcio 1913 (Italy)
- Claudio Chiellini Pisa Sporting Club (Italy)
- Nicola Innocentin Anorthosis Famagusta (Cyprus)
- Tim Cahill KAS Eupen (Belgium)
- **Eren Mert** Istanbulspor A.Ş. (Turkey)
- Tomas Zorn Lokomotiv Moscow (Russia)
- Carlos Carneiro FC Paços de Ferreira (Portugal)
- John Terry Chelsea FC (England)
- Juan Mata Galatasaray A.Ş. (Turkey)





Robert Micallef

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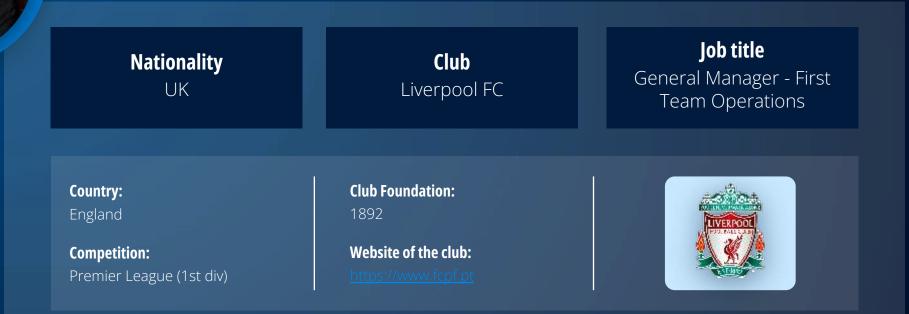
Santa Lucia FC was founded in 1974 and in 2019, the club achieved promotion to the Maltese Premier League for the first time in its history.

In the 2021-2022 season it reached the Maltese Cup semi-final for the first time in its history.



Ray Haughan

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Liverpool FC is one of the most important clubs in the world.

Since Jürgen Klopp arrival, the club was once again in the top positions of the English Premier League (2020 Champion) and won the UEFA Champions League (2019).

Thomas Charles Werner is currently chairman of the club, through his investment in Fenway Sports Group. Its stadium Anfield is the seventh largest football stadium in England (53,000 seats).





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Richard Feuz



Servette FC is one of Switzerland's most successful clubs in Switzerland, winning 17 national titles, as well as 7 Swiss cups.

The club was relegated to the third division in 2004–05 due to bankruptcy. However, it achieved promotion to the Swiss Challenge League after the 2005–06 season, where the club remained until 2011. After having been relegated in 2013, it was back in the Swiss first tier in 2019.



Oliver Krause

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Parma Calcio 1913 was declared bankrupt in 2015 and re-founded in the Serie D.

In 2020, Parma were purchased by the Krause Group, which is the owner of the American-based convenience store chain Kum & Go.

Championships:

3 Coppa Italia, 1 SuperCoppa Italiana, 2 UEFA Cup, 1 European Cup Winner, 1 European Super Cup.



Claudio Chiellini



Pisa Sporting Club is an Italian football club. It was founded in 1909 and refunded twice.

From the 2019-20 season it participates in Serie B.

In December 2016, Pisa was purchased by Ma.Gi.Co Pisa headed by Dr. Enzo Ricci and Corrado family.



Nicola Innocentin



Anorthosis Famagusta FC was one of the founding clubs of the Cyprus Football Association in 1934. It is one of the most successful clubs in Cypriot football:

- 13 National Championships.
- 11 Cups and 6 Supercups.

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Anorthosis is one of three Cypriot clubs that has never have been relegated to the 2nd division and was the first Cypriot club to participate in the Champions League group stage.



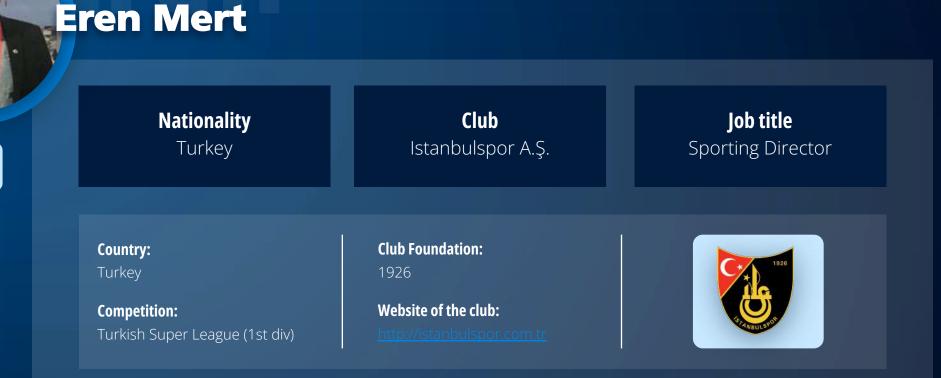




KAS Eupen was formed in 1945 through the merger of two older Eupen clubs, Jugend Eupen and FC Eupen 1920. The club was acquired in 2012 by the emirate of Qatar through the Aspire Zone Foundation.







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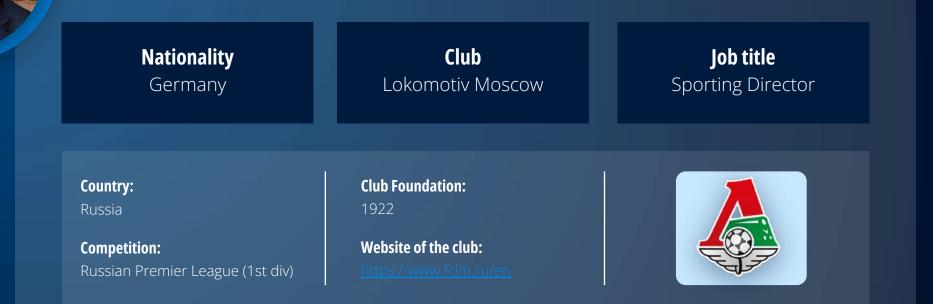
Istanbulspor A.Ş. was founded by Istanbul High School students in 1926. For many decades it was the fourth most famous and well-developed professional football club from Istanbul, coming after Beşiktaş, Galatasaray, and Fenerbahçe. After being bought by the Uzan Family in 1990, it has been repossessed by the government and resold to third companies. Its greatest success is the Turkish championship title won in 1932.





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Lokomotiv Moscow was founded as FC Kazanka in 1922. In 1924, the club brought together the strongest football players of several lines of the Moscow railway system as KOR (October Revolution Club). FC Kazanka and the KOR were predecessors of the current name, Lokomotiv ("locomotive").

During the Communist rule, Lokomotiv Moscow club was a part of the Lokomotiv Voluntary Sports Society and was owned by the Soviet Ministry of Transportation through the Russian Railways.



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Carlos Carneiro

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FC Paços de Ferreira qualified for the UEFA Cup for the first time in 2007.

In the 2012–13 Primeira Liga, the team finished third and qualified for the 2013–14 UEFA Champions League play-offs for the first time in their history.





Formed in 1905, **Chelsea FC** (or the Pensioners as the team was originally nicknamed), is one of the most emblematic clubs in London.

Championships:

- 6 Premier League
- 2 Champions League





Juan Mata

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Galatasaray AŞ was formed in 1905 and its first official colors were red and white (inspired by the colors of the national flag). Galatasaray High School (Mektebi Sultani) gave birth to the Turkish club and its goal is "to play in a collective way like the English, to signify a certain color and name and defeat non-Turkish teams."

Championships:

- 22 Turkish Süper Lig
- 1 UEFA Cup





Africa

5 participants

- Salim Abdallah Simba SC (Tanzania)
- Charles Chakatazya Kabwe Warriors (Zambia)
- M. Ameenu Shardow Dreams FC (Ghana)
- Fatou Binetou BA Académie Génération Foot (Senegal)
- Steven Mulindwa Vipers SC (Uganda)



Salim Abdallah



Simba SC has won 21 league titles and five domestic cups and has participated in the CAF Champions League multiple times. They are also one of the biggest clubs in East Africa, having won the CECAFA Club Championship six times.

Simba SC club members own 51% of the club while the investor Mohammed Dewji (MO) holds 49% of the shares. The club plays its home games at the Benjamin Mkapa Stadium (60,000 seats).



Charles Chakatazya

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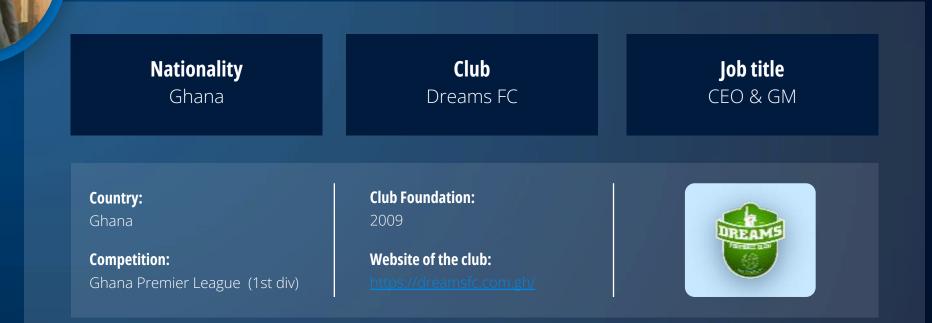


Kabwe Warriors FC was founded in 1922 in the town of Kabwe under the name Railway Recreation Club FC and is one of the most supported teams in Zambia despite not having as many achievements. Throughout its history, the club has won 5 league tournaments, 5 cup tournaments and 9 domestic cups.



M. Ameenu Shardow

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Dreams FC was formed in 2009 and was promoted to the second level of the Ghanaian football league system in 2014. The club eventually qualified to the Ghana Premier League in 2015 after emerging winners of Zone 3 in the Division One League. The club moved its home ground to Dawu, for the 2015–16 football season to satisfy the requirements of the Ghana Football Association's Club Licensing System.



Fatou Binetou BA

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Nationality Senegal	Club Académie Génération Foot	Job title Deputy General Director
Country: Senegal	Club Foundation: 2000	

The **Académie Génération Foot** is a Senegalese football club founded in 2000 by Mady Touré. The club revolves around a training academy. In November 2003, he signed a partnership agreement with the French professional football club FC Metz, which became his exclusive partner. In exchange for an endowment of equipment and financial aid for the operation of the Academy, the Moselle club has a priority of selection on the players who are trained there. Sadio Mané (Bayern Munich) was formed there.



Steven Mulindwa

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Club Vipers SC	Job title General Manager
Club Foundation:	
1978	
	Vipers SC

Vipers SC is a football club in Wakiso Town, Uganda. In early 1978, Bunamwaya Parish local administration decided to form a football team due to youth unemployment in the region. Royal elders in the region offered a land in Lufuka zone where the first playground was constructed. The team named Bunamwaya FC first competed in Parish and zonal competition where locals greatly supported it. Under the guidance of Lawrence Mulindwa, the club changed names to Vipers Sports Club after constructing its pitch in Buikwe District.



Asia and Oceania

5 participants

- **Darwin Jalil** Balestier Khalsa FC (Singapore)
- Faisal Alshuaibi Qatar SC (Qatar)
- David Dome Wellington Phoenix (New Zealand)
- **Piyush Neupane** Sporting Ilam FC de Mechi (Nepal)

Balestier Khalsa FC _____(Singapore)

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Darwin Jalil

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Nationality	Club	Job title
Singapore	Balestier Khalsa FC	President & Vice-Chairman
Country: Singapore Competition: Singapore Premier League (1st div)	Club Foundation: 1898 Website of the club: www.BKFC.sg	

Balestier Khalsa is considered the oldest football club in Singapore.

In 2012, Balestier Khalsa won the first League Cup Plate Final as the team defeated Young Lions in the Jalan Besar Stadium.

The Tigers won their first ever Singapore Cup on 7 November 2014, beating Home United 3–1.



Faisal Alshuaibi

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Nationality Qatar	Club Qatar SC	Job title CEO
Country: Qatar	Club Foundation: 1961	

Qatar SC was founded in 1961 as a merger of two Qatari football clubs Al-Oruba and Al-Nasour.

The teams plays its home games in the fourth largest stadium in Qatar, Qatar SC Stadium, which has a capacity of 15,000 seats.

It has recently diversified into other sports apart from football, with the creation of an athletics branch.



David Dome

Nationality New Zealand

Country: New Zealand

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Competition: A-League (1st div) **Club** Wellington Phoenix

Club Foundation: 2007

Website of the club: https://wellingtonphoenix.com/



Job title

CEO

Wellington Phoenix were awarded a license to play in the Hyundai A-League in 2007. In September 2011, Wellington Phoenix was taken over by Welnix, a consortium of some of Wellington's most successful and influential businesspeople. In February 2016, Football Federation Australia granted Wellington Phoenix a 10-year license extension to give the club security heading into the future.



Piyush Neupane

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Sporting Ilam FC de Mechi	Job title CEO
Club Foundation:	
2022	
	Club Foundation:

Sporting Ilam De Mechi FC is a Nepali professional football club based in Ilam Municipality. It was founded in 2022.

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