

# **CHAMPIONS FOR CHARITY**

**THE CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH IN TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL SCHUMACHER**

## **Champions for Charity 2022 with Dirk Nowitzki, Mick Schumacher, Sebastian Vettel and Mats Hummels**

*Charity football match on 24 August 2022 in Frankfurt's Waldstadion*

Frankfurt am Main (Germany), 20 June 2022 – Basketball champion Dirk Nowitzki and Formula 1 driver Mick Schumacher will come to Frankfurt am Main on Wednesday, 24 August 2022 for the "Champions for Charity" charity football match. Together with Formula 1 world champion Sebastian Vettel and football world champion Mats Hummels as well as many other active and former top athletes, they will play in two all-star teams in honour of Formula 1 legend Michael Schumacher at Frankfurt's Waldstadion.

German pro football players Lukas Podolski, Timo Werner, Christoph Kramer and Florian Neuhaus have already confirmed their participation. Also, Formula 1 CEO Stefano Domenicali, table tennis pro Timo Boll, former ski racer Felix Neureuther, former hockey player Moritz "Mo" Fürste and former handball player Christian "Blacky" Schwarzer. Former international footballer Sami Khedira also plans to be there on 24 August.

The proceeds of the match will go to social projects of the Dirk Nowitzki Foundation and the Keep Fighting Foundation of the Schumacher family.

### **Fan fest and autograph session**

A fan fest with games, live music and an autograph session awaits visitors in front of the stadium in the afternoon. The admission time, programme and start of the match will be announced separately in advance.

**Presales starts today**

Tickets for "Champions for Charity" are now available from 10,- Euro (reduced rate 7,- Euro) on the website [www.champions-for-charity.de](http://www.champions-for-charity.de). The latest updates on the players and programme will be announced on the "Champions for Charity" website, on the Facebook page ([facebook.com/champions4charity](https://facebook.com/champions4charity)), and Instagram page ([instagram.com/champions\\_for\\_charity](https://instagram.com/champions_for_charity)).

**Dirk Nowitzki:**

"Champions for Charity is back. This is going to be another great event in honour of Michael Schumacher with many champions, plenty of goals, and a programme for the whole family. We are excited that so many top athletes have confirmed their participation and are already working on finalizing the team lineups. With so many national players on board, it's certainly going to be a top-class match with me either scoring another goal of the month together with Lukas Podolski or getting a 'full box' as a goalkeeper. Anything is possible at Champions for Charity, and that's what makes it so appealing and so much fun."

**Mick Schumacher:**

"Finally, Champions for Charity again! I think it's great that we're reviving the game, and I'll probably have to start training now so that I look good with my team against Dirk and his team. I'm really happy that Seb and Stefano, two fellow Formula 1 drivers, have already confirmed their participation – so, even if we are not having a race in Germany, we're still getting the guys to come here in football boots. What's true for all of us is: If you can have fun and do something good at the same time, that's the perfect combination – and, of course, that's why we're hoping for a lot of spectators."

**About “Champions for Charity“**

"Champions for Charity" is the charity football match in honour of Formula 1 legend Michael Schumacher. For the fourth time, top-athletes from many different disciplines are competing for a good cause on the initiative of Dirk Nowitzki and Mick Schumacher and with the support of ING Germany. The proceeds of the match will benefit social projects of the Dirk Nowitzki Foundation and the Keep Fighting Foundation of the Schumacher family. Having been held in Mainz in 2016 and 2017, and in Leverkusen in 2019, "Champions for Charity" is coming to the Waldstadion in Frankfurt on 24 August 2022 following the invitation of the City of Frankfurt am Main.

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