

PR 95 - WPWL 2019: Greece and Hungary take the European preliminaries lead

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Six more games of the [FINA Men's Water Polo World League](#) [1] European preliminaries were contested last night, Tuesday November 13, in various European cities as Hungary defeated the Russians 15-8 playing on home soil in Ruza (3-2, 5-1, 3-1, 4-4), Germany crushed Malta 23-9 in Krefeld (GER) (3-4, 7-1, 5-2, 8-2), the Greeks beat the Netherlands 14-9 in Athens (4-0, 4-3, 4-3, 2-3) and Spain won 11-3 against Ukraine in Kharkiv City (UKR) giving them no chance in the first two quarters (2-0, 4-0, 1-1, 4-2).

In the only matches of Group C and D respectively, Italy claimed victory against the French 12-3 (4-0, 4-1, 1-2, 3-0) in Imperia (IRA) and Serbia defeated Romania 13-6 in Izvorani (ROU) (3-1, 2-0, 3-4, 5-1).

Therefore Hungary and Greece are the only two teams with two wins since the beginning of the season and take the lead of Group A and B respectively. Germany, Russia, Spain, and the Netherlands have all collected 3 points so far, while Malta and Ukraine haven't claimed any victory.

[Provisional ranking](#) [2]

GROUP A: 1. Hungary 6 pts; 2. Germany 3; 3. Russia 3 pts; 4. Malta 0

GROUP B: 1. Greece 6 pts; 2. Spain 3; 3. Netherlands 3; 4. Ukraine 0

GROUP C: 1. Italy 3 pts; 2. Montenegro 2; 3. France 0

GROUP D: 1. Croatia 3 pts; 2. Serbia 3; 3. Romania 0

The third Game Day of the Men's preliminary phase will be played on December 11. [SCHEDULE here](#) [3]

All games can be re-watch on VOD on [FINAtv](#) [4] and most games are live streamed throughout the World League season on the same platform.

The [FINA Women's Water Polo World League](#) [5] resumes on Saturday December 1.
