



FAQ

Q: When was the idea of a joint initiative by clubs first born?

A: The idea was launched by FC Porto beginning of September, who called on all 32 clubs of the 2015/16 UEFA Champions League Group Stage to participate in the initiative.

Q: When did the European Club Association decide to support and extend the initiative?

A: FC Porto contacted ECA to seek support. At the occasion of the 15th ECA General Assembly on 8 September 2015, the ECA Executive Board discussed the matter and decided to call on all member clubs to participate and extended the initiative to the 48 UEFA Europa League participants. The present member clubs endorsed the initiative.

Q: What does the initiative imply in practice?

A: Each club participating in the 2015/16 UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League Group Stage is invited to donate 1 EURO for each ticket sold during their first European home match.

Q: Is it mandatory for the UCL/UEL clubs to participate?

A: No. The clubs' participation is voluntary.

Q: What about the clubs that do not play in European competition this season? Can they participate?

A: Yes, every club can participate regardless whether it plays in European competition or not. Clubs that do not play in European competitions can, for example, apply the same concept to a domestic league or cup fixture.

Q: How will ECA collect the money?

A: ECA opened a dedicated "90 MINUTES FOR HOPE" account to collect the donations. Each club participating in the initiative will be invited to transfer their donation to said account.

Q: Which organisations will benefit from the clubs' donations?

A: The funds will be transferred to one (or more) specialised and respected organisation(s) with excellent track-record and on-field operations across Europe to help the refugees in these critical times. A decision on which organisation(s) will receive the funds is yet to be taken and will be communicated in due course. All received funds on the dedicated account will be donated to the chosen organisation(s).