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## All participants of the TOP 32 are fixed

On the second day of the European 3-Cushions Championships in Belicum/Netherlands, the qualification matches for the final round of the TOP 32 came to an end. A total of 48 athletes were divided into 16 groups of three, with only the top of each group reaching the final round.

A small surprise was achieved by the Dutch Raymund Swertz and Dave Christiani, who won their group in front of their home crowd and thus made it to the final round starting on Thursday.

A great performance was achieved by German Ronny Lindemann. After a draw in the afternoon, he absolutely needed a win against Turgay Orak from Turkey to advance to the next round. But it didn't look like that at all as Lindemann was trailing with 18:32. But with great series of eleven and seven, the German gained the decisive advantage and then had to hope at 40:34 that his opponent did not equalize in the last inning. But after just one point Orak missed and Lindemann could celebrate his victory.

Besides the seeded Martin Horn and the youngsters Lukas Stamm and Tom Löwe, Germany is represented in the final round with a total of four athletes.

The decisive match between Jean van Erp (Netherlands) and the young Frenchman Maxime Panaia was also very exciting. It was only in the final phase that van Erp was able to break away decisively and win the match. Besides Swertz, Christiani and van Erp, the host country will be represented in the final round by Jean-Paul de Bruijn,



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Roland Uijtdewilligen, Jeffrey Jorissen and defending champion Dick Jaspers.

A little surprisingly their compatriot Raimund Burgman was eliminated. He needed a draw against the aforementioned Tom Löwe in his last group match. However, this did not happen in the narrow 38:40 defeat.

The draw for the round of the last 32 is now awaited with excitement. From now on, it's single elimination before the new European champion is crowned on Saturday evening. The final round matches will start tomorrow, Thursday, at 12:30 CET.

The entire European Championship can be followed in the livestream via [www.kozoom.com](http://www.kozoom.com). All information about the event can already be found at [www.eurobillard.org](http://www.eurobillard.org). There you will also find all the results after the tournament has started.

Photos will be permanently produced by the Touch PR agency during the event days and made available for free download several times a day on the [EC Media page](#). This page also contains editorial reports and much more information about the event.

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