



European Super League



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Letter from the Chair

Greetings Delegates,

My name is Charlie Bushley and I am a Junior at Boston College High School. I have been involved in Model UN for 3 years now and have thoroughly enjoyed my experience within this great co-curricular program. I will be your Chair for the European Super League at the BC High Model United Nations Conference XXXI along with my Co-Chair Patrick Cincotti.

As with many of you who are partaking in this committee, I too am a very passionate and enthusiastic football fan. I love to watch, discuss and be involved with the sport in any way I can and hope that a cogent discussion will allow for a great experience for all involved. I believe that this conference will be a perfect opportunity for us to discuss a topic that truly interests us all.

While we may have our own opinions, I encourage you to review your delegate, learn their stance on the matter and use them to better educate yourself on the issue.

Topics like the Super League, open debates in a variety of directions. Whether it be about corruption, player exhaustion, or the impact on fans, the European Super League has left a lot to dissect that will allow for a thorough debate and discussion come March 4th! Best,

Charlie Bushley '24

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Letter from the Co-Chair

Hello,

My name is Patrick Cincotti, and along with Charlie, I am a Junior at Boston College High School. I am looking forward to the BCH MUN XXXI conference this March. My first experience with MUN was the weekly meetings the club had. My friends urged me to tag along with them to a meeting, and after my first I was hooked. I loved the unique aspects of MUN that I could not find in other co-curriculars, like sports. It provided a more intellectually stimulating activity for me to participate in. It was through MUN that I was able to participate in last year's BC High MUN conference. I look forward to a fruitful discussion about Football and the European Super League.

This conference will be a touchdown!

Patrick Cincotti '24

For any questions feel free to email me at p.cincotti24@students.bchigh.edu



Description

In April of 2021 twelve of the richest and largest clubs in European soccer established a new competition in which they would have permanent participation. This was denounced by many, including the governing body of European Soccer (UEFA), as a cartel forming a monopoly of what would now become the premier soccer competition. Fans across the globe denounced it as an act of pure greed ruining the great heritage of European soccer. However, others look on with anticipation of seeing games against the best teams in the world every week.



Background

Before the year 2021, as football clubs around Europe have competed to become the best teams in the world, legendary clubs such as Barcelona, Liverpool, Manchester United and Real Madrid have often found themselves atop the leaderboard. Throughout the years, there has always been the idea of creating a tournament that features the very best of the best in soccer. The proposed tournament encompasses the best teams throughout the continent of Europe who would permanently be selected to play in a traditional round-robin league. The idea has been for the most part disregarded for reasons that it would ruin the principles and true nature of the sport and become a monopolistic moneymaker. Similarly to the manner in which fans reacted to it now, many completely disregarded the idea back then as a slight to the core principles of football and an act of corruption and greed. The idea of a European Super League has been generally frowned upon due to the already existing Champions League. The Champions League is a yearly tournament which requires qualification based on teams performance in their domestic league the prior year. This tournament takes place alongside domestic leagues and cups and allows for participation in all competitions. There is no permanent placement in the champions league which keeps the competition fresh and exciting. You can have classic finals of Liverpool v. AC Milan or see David v. Goliath matchups where the underdog steals the show as in FC Porto's infamous 03-04 victory under manager Jose Mourinho. The iconic legacy of the Champions league remains at stake over the possible formation of the Super League. On the contrary, the breakaway league offers an exciting opportunity to see weekly competition between top clubs of the world but at the risk of losing the core values of one of the oldest sports in the world.



Critical Questions

1. Should the European Super League be implemented in any form?
2. Should European soccer be reformed to solve the complaints of fans and governing officials?
3. Are there lessons from the formation of LIV Golf that the European Super League might embrace?
4. Where is reform possible from inside UEFA and FIFA as a whole to prevent further breakaway leagues?
5. How should FIFA deal with the clubs who attempt to form this breakaway league?



Delegate List

- Florentino Perez (Pro)
 - President of Real Madrid
- Aleksander Ceferin (Anti)
 - UEFA president
- Gianni Infantino (Anti)
 - Fifa President
- Ander Herrera (Anti)
 - Professional Football player
- Daniel Pinto (Pro)
 - President and COO of JP Morgan
- John Henry (Pro)
 - Owner of Liverpool FC
- Steven Zhang (Pro)
 - Former Chairman of FC Internazionale Milano
- Andrea Agnelli (Pro)
 - Former Chairman of Juventus FC
- Bernd Reichart (Pro)
 - A22 Sports Management CEO
- Ed Woodward (Pro)
 - Former Vice Chairman of Manchester United FC
- David Dein (Pro)
 - Former Vice Chairman of Arsenal FC
- Karl-Erik Nilsson (Anti)
 - President of the Swedish Football Association
- Sándor Csányi (Anti)
 - Vice President of FIFA
- Stan Kroenke (Pro)



- Owner of Arsenal FC
- Joel Glazer (Pro)
 - Co-Chairman of Manchester United
- Richard Masters (Anti)
 - Chief Executive of the English Premier League
- Giuseppe Marotta (Pro)
 - CEO of FC Internazionale Milano
- Urbano Cairo (Anti)
 - President of Torino FC
- Paolo Dal Pino (Anti)
 - President of Serie A
- Javier Tebas (Anti)
 - President of La Liga
- Rainer Koch (Anti)
 - Vice-president of the German Football Association
- Joan Laporta (Pro)
 - President of FC Barcelona
- Mesut Özil (Anti)
 - Professional Football Player
- Bruno Fernandes (Anti)
 - Professional Football Player
- Nasser Al-Khelaifi (Anti)
 - Chairman of the European Club Association and President of Paris Saint-Germain
- Daniel Levy (Pro)
 - Chairman of Tottenham Hotspur FC
- Khaldoon Al Mubarak (Pro)
 - Chairman of Manchester City
- Paolo Scaroni (Pro)
 - Chairman of AC Milan
- Enrique Cerezo (Pro)



- Chairman of Atletico de Madrid
- Roman Abramovich (Pro)
 - Former Owner of Chelsea FC



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