# Annex D – Coefficient Ranking System

## D.1 System overview

UEFA calculates the coefficient of each club and association each season based on the clubs' results in the UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League. The season coefficients from the five most recent seasons are used to determine the positions of the associations in the access list (association coefficient) and to rank the clubs for seeding purposes (sporting club coefficient). In addition, the season coefficients from the ten most recent seasons are used to calculate revenue club coefficients for revenue distribution purposes only.

## D.2 Reference periods for rankings

The associations' positions in the 2018/19 UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League access list (Annex A) are determined on the basis of the fiveseason association coefficients established at the end of the 2016/17 season, i.e. the cumulative total of the associations' season coefficients from seasons 2012/13 to 2016/17 inclusive.

The five-season sporting club coefficients for the 2018/19 UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League are established before the start of the 2018/19 season, on the basis of each club's season coefficients from seasons 2013/14 to 2017/18 inclusive.

The ten-season revenue club coefficients for the 2018/19 UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League are established before the start of the 2018/19 season, on the basis of each club's season coefficients from seasons 2008/09 to 2017/18 inclusive.

# D.3 Association coefficient calculation

The season coefficient of an association is calculated by adding up the points obtained by all its clubs in a given season (UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League) then dividing the total by the number of clubs from that association that took part in the two UEFA club competitions in question.

Points are awarded as follows:

- a. 2 points for a win (1 point for qualifying and play-off matches);
- b. 1 point for a draw (0.5 point for qualifying and play-off matches);
- c. 0 points for a defeat.

If a club refuses to enter a UEFA competition for which it qualified, or is excluded from or not admitted to the competition and is not replaced by another club from the same association, the association's coefficient is calculated by dividing the total number of points obtained by its clubs by the number of clubs the association was entitled to enter according to the access list.

# D.4 Sporting club coefficient calculation

The season coefficient of a club is calculated by adding the total number of points it obtains in a given season (UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League) as stipulated below. A club's five-season sporting coefficient is the cumulative total of its five season coefficients from the reference period stipulated in D.2, or 20% of its association's five-season association coefficient, whichever is higher.

### D.4.1 Points awarded in the UEFA Champions League

- a. Qualifying phase and play-offs
  - Clubs that are eliminated in the UEFA Champions League qualifying phase or play-offs are awarded points in the UEFA Europa League (see Paragraph D.4.2).
- b. Group stage onwards
  - 2 points awarded for a win;
  - 1 point awarded for a draw;
  - 0 points awarded for a defeat.

#### D.4.2 Points awarded in the UEFA Europa League

- a. Qualifying phase and play-offs
  - 0.5 points awarded to each club eliminated in the preliminary round;
  - 1 point awarded to each club eliminated in the first qualifying round;
  - 1.5 points awarded to each club eliminated in the second qualifying round;
  - 2 points awarded to each club eliminated in the third qualifying round;
  - 2.5 points awarded to each club eliminated in the play-offs.
- b. Group stage onwards
  - 2 points awarded for a win;
  - 1 point awarded for a draw;
  - 0 points awarded for a defeat.
- c. Guaranteed minimum

Clubs are guaranteed a minimum of three points in the group stage of the UEFA Europa League even if the number of points actually obtained during this stage is lower. This guaranteed minimum is not added to points actually obtained in the group stage and is not included in the association coefficient calculation.

# D.5 Bonus points

Clubs which reach the round of 16, quarter-finals, semi-finals or final of the UEFA Champions League or the quarter-finals, semi-finals or final of the UEFA Europa League are awarded an extra point for each such round. In addition, four points are awarded for participation in the group stage of the UEFA Champions League and four points for qualifying for the round of 16.

These bonus points are also included in the association coefficient calculation.

## D.6 Revenue club coefficient calculation

A club's revenue club coefficient is calculated using the same season coefficients as for the sporting club coefficient, but with a ten-season instead of a five-season reference period as stipulated in D.2 above, and with the addition of bonus points for previous European titles won, which are calculated as follows:

	UEFA Champions League/European Champion Clubs' Cup	UEFA Europa League/ UEFA Cup	Cup Winners' Cup
Points per title won in the last five seasons (since 2013/14)	12	3	n/a
Points per title won between 1992/93 and 2012/13 inclusive	8	2	2
Points per title won before 1992/93	4	1	1

If a club's overall ten-season revenue coefficient would be less than 20% of the equivalent ten-season total of its association's season coefficients, the club is instead awarded 20% of its association's total for revenue distribution purposes.

# D.7 Calculation principles

Match points are awarded only for matches which have actually been played, in accordance with the final scores ratified by UEFA. Penalty shoot-outs do not count.

Coefficients are calculated to the thousandth and not rounded up.

# D.8 Equal coefficients

If two or more clubs or associations are ranked equally, the following criteria are applied, in the order given, to determine their final rankings:

- their coefficients in the most recent of the seasons on which the rankings are based;
- their coefficients in the next most recent season in which they are not equal;
- drawing of lots.

## D.9 Final decisions

The UEFA administration takes final decisions on any matters not provided for in these provisions.