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Bundesliga and Bundesliga 2 clubs reject current reform proposals for international club competitions

The ordinary assembly of the DFL Deutsche Fußball Liga as union of the 36 clubs of the Bundesliga and Bundesliga 2 rejects the current reform proposals for the international club competitions from 2024 onwards. "The presently discussed concept of the European Club Association ECA would have unacceptable consequences for the national leagues in Europe and should therefore not be implemented in this form. We must not allow, that the traditional national leagues are damaged in their attractiveness for millions of people across the continent", DFL CEO Christian Seifert said following today's DFL ordinary assembly: "We are convinced that UEFA President Aleksander Ceferin correctly assesses the value of the national leagues as the heart chamber of European professional football and will continue to moderate further proceedings in a foresightful manner. A possible reform of the already very successful European club competitions should be satisfactory for all participants, not just for a few."

Seifert continued: "In all discussions, two points are of crucial importance: the number of games in the football calendar and, above all, access to international competitions. Changes to these must not jeopardize the relevance and future of the national leagues in Europe. This would sustainably damage the whole of European football – and that can never be in the interest of the UEFA."

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