

FIFA World Cup 2018 and 2022 bids

Claims of collusion between Qatar and Spain/Portugal, and fresh accusations of possible bribery have sent the bidding process into turmoil, with more than one nation now considering the possibility of legal action

BIDDING NATIONS

Winning countries to be announced December 2. A European bid will host tournament in 2018, another continent will win bid for 2022



2018 BIDS

1 England



2018 | 2022

2 Netherlands/ Belgium



2018 2022

3 Russia



4 Spain/ Portugal



2022 BIDS

5 USA



2022

6 Qatar



qatar 2022

7 South Korea



KOREA 2022

8 Japan



JAPAN 2022

9 Australia



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2018 BIDS

World Cup history Largest stadium

- 1 ENGLAND** Appearances: 13 **Wembley**
Bid led by: Geoff Thompson Hosted 1966 **90,000**
 + "Motherland" of football, impressive stadia, commerciality
 - Former bid leader quit after allegations about rival bids
- 2 NETHERLANDS / BELGIUM** 9 / 11 **Nieuwe Kuip**
François De Keersmaecker, Michael van Praag **86,000**
 + "Green" tournament, successfully hosted Euro 2000
 - Facilities need major improvements, lacking bid impact
- 3 RUSSIA** 9 **Luzhniki Stadium**
Igor Shuvalov **78,360**
 + Never hosted, vast budget, strong government backing
 - Failed to qualify for 2010 edition, security concerns
- 4 SPAIN / PORTUGAL** 13 / 5 **Nou Camp**
Angel M. Villar, Gilberto Madail Spain hosted 1982 **106,000**
 + Spain 2010 champions, idyllic climate, Conmebol support
 - Port. hosted Euro 2004, dual bids not favoured by FIFA

2022 BIDS

World Cup history Largest stadium

- 5 UNITED STATES** Appearances: 9 **Rose Bowl**
Bid led by: Sunil Gulati Hosted 1994 **91,000**
 + Obama supporting bid, infrastructure in place from 1994
 - Soccer growing in popularity but still down pecking order
- 6 QATAR** 0 **Lusail National**
Khalifa Al-Thani **86,000**
 + First World Cup in Middle East, limitless budget
 - Stifling heat, England/Brazil friendly seen as flop
- 7 SOUTH KOREA** 8 **Olympic Stadium**
Han Sung-Joo Co-hosted 2002 **69,950**
 + Most successful Asian side, world class transport links
 - Joint hosts as recently as 2002
- 8 JAPAN** 4 **Yokohama**
Motoaki Inukai Co-hosted 2002 **72,327**
 + Innovation, vision, investment and state-of-art stadia
 - Joint hosts as recently as 2002
- 9 AUSTRALIA** 3 **Melbourne**
Frank Lowy **100,108**
 + Sports-driven nation, hosted successful 2000 Olympics
 - Stadia used by other sports, seasons overlap World Cup

SELECTION: Single transferable vote for 24 FIFA Executive Committee members. In each round, candidate receiving fewest votes is eliminated with votes reallocated according to stated preference – until sole candidate remains