

Qatar winter World Cup

A FIFA taskforce has indicated the Qatar World Cup should take place in November and December 2022, despite protests of European leagues



Qatar Foundation stadium, Doha

TIMELINE OF CONTROVERSY

- **Dec 2010:** FIFA award Qatar 2022 World Cup despite evident concerns
- **May 2011:** Bribery allegations relating to bid prompt FIFA to probe connections between vice-president **Jack Warner** and Asian confederation president **Mohammed bin Hammam**
- **Jun-Jul 2011:** Jack Warner resigns from role and Bin Hammam is banned for life from football-related activities
- **Aug 2012:** FIFA appoint **Michael Garcia** to investigate bidding process for 2018 and 2022 World Cups
- **Sep 2013:** President **Sepp Blatter** says FIFA may have been wrong to choose scorching Middle East venue
- **Dec 2014:** After publishing edited Garcia corruption report, FIFA agree to release “*legally appropriate version*” but insist Qatar will remain 2022 hosts