



VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS U16 ELITE CAMP

21ST – 28TH JUNE 2026





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U16 ELITE CAMP 2026
INTRODUCTION



WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome you to Valencia for the **5th edition of the VCF Academy Male Elite Camp** and the **1st edition of the VCF Academy Female Elite Camp**, the most demanding and comprehensive training programs within the VCF Academy Programs player pathway.

Throughout the week, **selected U16 male and female players** from our international network will take part in top-level field and gym training sessions, friendly matches and video analysis sessions, all led by VCF Academy staff. This program is designed to **evaluate each player's performance in detail** and identify those with the potential to access future opportunities within our pathway.

This is a **unique opportunity** to challenge yourself, grow as a player and live the Valencia CF Academy identity from the inside, sharing the experience with teammates from around the world.

We look forward to seeing you in Valencia.

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VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS PLAYER PATHWAY



U8-U10

ALL MALE AND FEMALE PLAYERS

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS PLAYERS' PATHWAY BEGINNING

Start getting to know players through academy visits and the review of training sessions and match recordings



U12

MIXED TOURNAMENT
OPEN FOR ALL PLAYERS

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS WORLD CUP

International tournament for all VCF Academy Programs U12 teams, where players are observed in a competitive environment.



U14

MALE AND FEMALE CATEGORIES
SELECTED PLAYERS

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS PLAYERS' DRAFT

High-performance training program in Valencia for the top U14 international players selected by the VCF Academy Programs technical staff.



U16

MALE AND FEMALE CATEGORIES
SELECTED PLAYERS

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS ELITE CAMP

Elite training program in Valencia for the top U16 international players selected by the VCF Academy Programs technical staff.



U17-U19

ELITE MALE AND FEMALE PLAYERS

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS ELITE PLAYERS' ASSESSMENT

Online individual interview with VCF Academy Programs staff to evaluate performance and discuss potential development pathways.

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS PLAYERS' WEEK

PROGRAMS HELD SIMULTANEOUSLY AT THE VALENCIA CF TRAINING CENTRE AT THE END OF EACH SEASON



VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS PLAYER PATHWAY

ERIK HAMZA SUCCESS STORY



U16

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS
ELITE CAMP

Participates in **2022** in the **1st** edition of the **VCF Academy Elite Camp** representing the **VCF Academy Greece** branch in **Syros**.



U17

VALENCIA CF
U17 ACADEMY TEAM

Signs for the **Valencia CF Academy U17 team** during the **22.23 season**, becoming the **first VCF Academy Programs player** to achieve this milestone.



U19

GREECE
U19 NATIONAL TEAM

Comes back to his hometown in Greece and quickly signs for **Olympiacos B** while also starting to play for the **U19 Greece National Team**

*Erik Hamza has been **part of the VCF Academy Programs network since the age of 10**, when he joined the **Valencia CF Academy Greece** branch in his hometown of **Syros**. After years of **growth and development within our identity and values**, participating in different programs such as the **VCF Academy Training Experience**, he is now **representing his country** at youth level and competing in the **UEFA Youth League** with **Olympiacos U19**, his current club.*

Check his Transfermarkt profile here: [Erik Hamza - Player profile 25/26 | Transfermarkt](#)



VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS PLAYER PATHWAY

LORENC PERLALA SUCCESS STORY



U12

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS
WORLD CUP

Participates in **2022** in the **1st edition** of the VCF Academy World Cup with the **VCF Camps Holland team**, being selected for the **All-Stars squad**.



U15

VCF ACADEMY PROGRAMS
ELITE CAMP

Participates in **2025** in the **4th edition** of the **VCF Academy Elite Camp**, being one of the most outstanding players at just 15 years of age.



U16

NETHERLANDS
U16 NATIONAL TEAM

After his participation in the Elite Camp, signs for **Feyenoord Academy** and is called up by the **U16 Netherlands National Team**

*Lorenc Perlala has been **part of the VCF Academy Programs network since the age of 11**, when he joined a **VCF Camp in Winterswijk (Netherlands)** in 2021. His strong performances led to his selection for the **1st VCF Academy World Cup** and the **World Cup All-Stars squad**, followed by the **VCF Camp in Oosterhout** and the **2025 VCF Academy Elite Camp**. He is currently representing the **Netherlands U16** and plays for the **Feyenoord Academy**.*

Check his Transfermarkt profile here: [Lorenc Perlala - Player profile | Transfermarkt](#)

CREATE YOUR NEXT SUCCESS STORY



Make the most of the **technical content and meetings** with the **VCF Academy Programs staff** to ensure your players grow within a **training and competition environment** fully aligned with the **VCF Academy identity and values**.



Record and share your **training sessions and matches** throughout the season so the VCF Academy Programs staff can **follow your teams' and players' evolution** and understand their **collective and individual progress**.



Complete the **reports and forms** provided by the VCF Academy Programs staff members to **track the progress and development of your most talented players**.



Encourage your teams to participate in the different VCF Academy Programs in Valencia, focusing on the **VCF Academy Training Experience for the U13-U14 and U15-U16 age groups**, as this is a **perfect opportunity** for them to be closely followed by the VCF Academy Programs staff and to **be considered for the U14 Players' Draft** and the **U16 Elite Camp**.



2026 EDITION

GENERAL INFORMATION



DATES AND FACILITIES

DATES: 21ST – 28TH JUNE 2026

LOCATION: VCF TRAINING CENTRE, VALENCIA (SPAIN)



ACCOMMODATION

- Mas Camarena Hotel
- Mas Camarena Apartments
- Posadas de España Hotel



Teams and families will be allocated across the available hotel options according to organizational needs.



ORGANIZATION AND STAFF

- All **organization and supervision of the program** will be **managed exclusively by Valencia CF** and its designated staff members.
- Each player must be **chaperoned by at least one authorized adult (parents, legal guardians or coaches or staff members)**. These individuals will be **fully responsible for the supervision, safety and behavior of the player** throughout the entire stay, both during sporting activities and outside them.
- The U16 Elite Camp team will be assigned a **VCF Host**, a staff member designated by Valencia CF who will **assist the team** during their stay and act as the main contact person between the players and the event organization. Please note that the **VCF Host's role is purely organizational and logistical**; in no case will they be responsible for the supervision or care of the players.



OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

- **Sunday 21st** will be the **arrival day**. Players are asked to **check in before 8:00PM** to have dinner with their teammates.
- **Football activities** will start on **Monday 22nd in the morning** and will conclude on **Saturday 27th in the evening**. All these activities will be held on an **11-a-side artificial turf field**.
- **Sunday 28th** will be the **departure day**, although players can stay an **extra night** to enjoy the matches of the **VCF Academy World Cup**.
- Any **arrivals before Sunday 21st** or **departures after Monday 29th morning**, must be **arranged directly by the players' families**.
- **Training sessions** will be held **behind closed doors**, with no access for family members or companions. Only coaches or staff members will have access.
- **Friendly matches will be open** to families and companions.
- The **VCF Academy Programs Technical Staff** will review all proposed candidates and **will confirm participation** based on players' level and program requirements.

A more detailed regulations document will be shared with all participants prior to the start of the program.



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