

# RECORD 70M VOTES CAST DURING FIRST ROUND OF POLLING FOR 15TH GLOBE SOCCER DUBAI AWARDS

*Huge number of votes registered in first voting window, equalling last year's entire cumulative total*

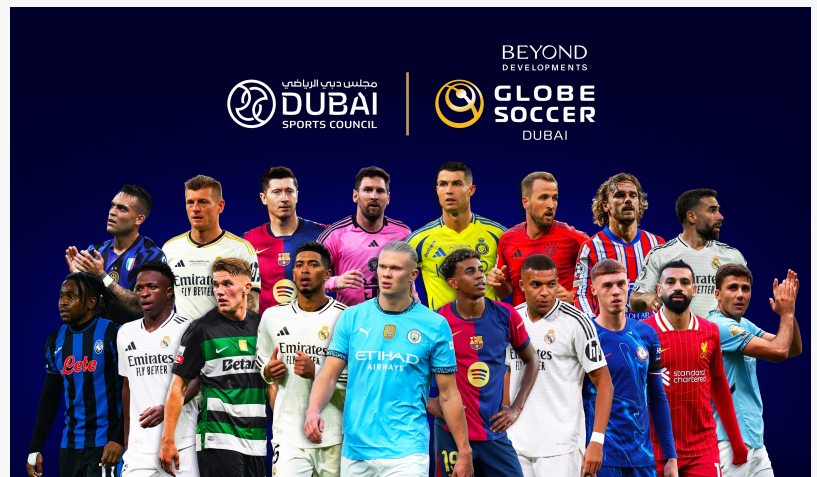
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EINPresswire.com/ -- Interest in next month's annual Beyond Developments Globe Soccer Dubai Awards with the support of Dubai Sports Council has already hit fever pitch, with a record-equalling 70 million votes being cast during the first polling window. The record number of votes have determined the finalists across eight of the 12 main categories ahead of a prestigious gala, set to take place alongside the 19th Dubai International Sports Conference which organized by Dubai Sports Council, on December 27 at Atlantis, The Palm in partnership.

The first round of public voting closed on Monday, with more than double the amount of votes registered at the same stage of 2023, and participation from over 200 nations worldwide. Additionally, the Globe Soccer mobile app has surpassed 1.5 million downloads, underlining the event's global appeal.

Manchester City's Erling Haaland will be vying to retain his Best Men's Player award at the 15th edition of the showpiece event at the five-star venue, with club teammate Rodri, Real Madrid trio Kylian Mbappe, Vinicius Júnior and Jude Bellingham, as well as legendary duo Cristiano Ronaldo and Lionel Messi among the stars standing in his way.

The Norwegian is also a contender in the 10-man shortlist in the Best Forward category, which includes City colleague Phil Foden, Liverpool's Mohamed Salah, and Bayern Munich's Harry Kane. The Best Midfielder category consists of the aforementioned Bellingham and Rodri, with Chelsea's Cole Palmer and Bayer Leverkusen midfielder Granit Xhaka also in the running.



Beyond Developments Globe Soccer Dubai Awards - - Best Men's Player finalists

The Best Women's Player category has a 12-player shortlist, which includes Spain's World Cup-winning duo Aitana Bonmatí and Salma Paralluelo and Barcelona's Caroline Graham Hansen. Meanwhile, reigning Bundesliga champions Bayer Leverkusen and Spanish giants Real Madrid are among the outfits competing for Best Men's Club, with FC Barcelona and Bayern Munich part of a final four-shortlist contesting the Best Women's Club.

Fans have until December 10 to vote for their favourites at [vote.globesoccer.com](https://vote.globesoccer.com), with the final winners determined by a combination of fan votes and the Globe Soccer Jury, which is made up of legendary names such as Marcello Lippi, Francesco Totti, Iker Casillas, and Luis Figo.

In a heartwarming initiative, an online auction in December will see one lucky bidder become the recipient of an exclusive SIRO GOLDEN TICKET to this year's Beyond Developments Globe Soccer Dubai Awards. All proceeds raised from the auction will go directly to the Al Jalila Foundation, a not-for-profit organisation transforming lives through medical research, education and treatment in the UAE. The once-in-a-lifetime experience will include a return trip to Dubai, a three-night stay at SIRO One Za'abeel, VIP access to the awards ceremony itself, and a meet-and-greet with the Best Men's Player.

Globe Soccer's existing partnerships with Emirates, Saudi Sports Company, Audi, Sunset Hospitality Group, Italtreziosi, Mansory, Silver Sands, Azimut Yachts remain in place for this year's event, as well as the new strategic partnership with the title sponsor Beyond Developments and SIRO One Za'abeel.

The Beyond Developments Globe Soccer Awards will be broadcast internationally across several networks, giving fans around the world the chance to experience the excitement of the event in real-time. Saudi Sports Company is the official host broadcaster. As the event draws closer, fans can also stay informed through Globe Soccer's social media channels and the official Globe Soccer mobile app, available on both iOS and Android.

\*For a press kit including images, videos and various artworks, visit <https://bit.ly/GSA24PressKit>

\*For a full list of finalists for the 12 main awards please see below

\*For the official voting page: <https://vote.globesoccer.com>

GLOBE SOCCER AWARDS

Finalists 2024

Best Men's Player

Jude Bellingham

Dani Carvajal

Antoine Griezmann

Viktor Gyökeres

Erling Haaland

Harry Kane

Toni Kroos  
Robert Lewandowski  
Ademola Lookman  
Lautaro Martínez  
Kylian Mbappé  
Lionel Messi  
Cole Palmer  
Rodrigo  
Cristiano Ronaldo  
Mohamed Salah  
Vinícius Júnior  
Lamine Yamal

Best Women's Player

Aitana Bonmatí  
Lucy Bronze  
Tabitha Chawinga  
Caroline Graham Hansen  
Giulia Gwinn  
Lauren James  
Ewa Pajor  
Salma Paralluelo  
Alexia Putellas  
Mayra Ramírez  
Khadija Shaw  
Glódís Viggósdóttir

Best Men's Club

Al Ahly  
Atalanta  
Atlético Mineiro  
Bayer Leverkusen  
Botafogo  
Inter Milan  
Manchester City  
Olympiacos  
Real Madrid  
Sporting CP

Best Women's Club

Barcelona  
Bayern Munich  
Chelsea

## Olympique Lyonnais

### Best Coach

Xabi Alonso

Carlo Ancelotti

Mikel Arteta

Luis de la Fuente

Gian Piero Gasperini

Pep Guardiola

Simone Inzaghi

### Best Midfielder

Nicolò Barella

Jude Bellingham

Hakan Çalhanoglu

Toni Kroos

Dani Olmo

Cole Palmer

Rodrigo

Federico Valverde

Vitinha

Florian Wirtz

Granit Xhaka

### Best Forward

Artem Dovbyk

Phil Foden

Erling Haaland

Harry Kane

Lautaro Martínez

Kylian Mbappé

Mohamed Salah

Vinícius Júnior

Nico Williams

Lamine Yamal

### Emerging Player

Pau Cubarsí

Alejandro Garnacho

Arda Güler

Kobbie Mainoo

Savinho

Lamine Yamal

Kenan Yildiz

Best Agent

Giuliano Bertolucci

Fernando Hidalgo

Kia Joorabchian

Jorge Mendes

Frederico Pena

Frank Trimboli

Pini Zahavi

Best Sporting Director

Piero Ausilio

Luis Campos

Edu Gaspar

Sebastian Kehl

Giovanni Sartori

Hugo Viana

Best Middle East Player

Salem Al Dawsari

Riyad Mahrez

Sergej Milinković-Savić

Soufiane Rahimi

Cristiano Ronaldo

Best Middle East Club

Al Ahly

Al Ain

Al Hilal

Al Nassr

Maradona Award

To be announced

Career and Special Awards

To be announced

About Dubai Sports Council

Founded on November 30, 2005, following a decree by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the Vice President and Prime Minister of UAE and Ruler of Dubai, Dubai Sports Council is the official body responsible for the development of the sports sector in the Emirate. The Council supervises the work of Dubai's seven local sports clubs and takes active

interest in encouraging the practice of physical activity in society, especially among women and children, through programs and activities designed to create awareness about the importance of sport and physical activity, and to make it a way of life for the community. The DSC's mandate, though, is not just to promote sport, create awareness and nurture talent, but to also support creativity and reward excellence among both individuals and organizations and help Dubai become a land of health, happiness, and vitality. It has organized many international conferences and symposiums since 2006, including the annual Dubai International Sports Conference, to enhance the knowledge and culture of professionalism, and has brought some of the biggest names from the world of sports here to share their vision and thoughts. The Council also seeks to develop the sports industry in the UAE and the world through initiatives like the Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Creative Sports Award, and it organizes many major international sports championships as well in cooperation with multiple sports bodies. Today, under the guidance of its chairman, "His Highness" Sheikh Mansoor Bin Mohammad bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the DSC organizes and supports more than 400 events annually - not just top-notch sporting extravaganzas, but also awards and conferences that promote excellence, creativity, and innovation in the world of sports.

#### About Globe Soccer

Globe Soccer, founded by Tommaso Bendoni and co-owned by Riccardo Silva, is a Dubai-based football organisation. Since 2010, it has hosted the annual Dubai Globe Soccer Awards, a prestigious event that recognises all football stakeholders, from players to chairmen, fans to agents, and directors to referees. This unique, high-profile ceremony has become a significant fixture in the global football calendar.

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