# Switzerland to face Scotland in crucial Euro 2024 Group A clash



Switzerland faces Scotland in a crucial Euro 2024 Group A match in Cologne on Wednesday. Swiss coach Murat Yakin emphasized his team's preparation and warned against underestimating Scotland's ability to bounce back from their 5-1 defeat to Germany in Munich, a game marred by Ryan Porteous's dismissal. Scotland needs at least a point to keep their knockout stage hopes feasible after Switzerland's commanding 3-1 win over Hungary.

Steve Clarke, the Scotland manager, acknowledged the challenge but emphasized the necessity of an improved performance. The team is missing defender Porteous, who received a two-game ban. Clarke insists on aiming for victory rather than settling for a draw, highlighting Switzerland's robust and pacey attack.

Swiss defender Manuel Akanji praised Scotland's Premier League talents like John McGinn and Scott McTominay, urging vigilance against their potential resurgence. The game is poised as a critical test for both teams' aspirations in the tournament.