



## The winner of THE FINALS U15 is AKAPO Lučenec

***On the first weekend of March, the six best teams of the regular season came to Wrocław for the final tournament of the U15 boys category. The best form was shown by the Slovak team AKAPO Lučenec, which will take home the overall first place in the 2022/2023 season.***

The final tournament of the U15 category in the beautiful surroundings of the WKK Center in Wrocław, Poland, turned paper assumptions upside down. Also due to the fact that some teams were not complete and, on the contrary, others arrived with a stronger lineup than they played in the regular part, two teams made it to the finals, which only went from 5th and 6th place after the regular part. On the contrary, in the regular season, undefeated Wrocław was playing for third place, and second place Stargard was left to fight for the 5th place.

The teams were divided into two groups on the basis of position after the long period, in which even and dramatic matches were seen.

In the very first duel of the tournament between WKK Wrocław and BK VIVIDBOOKS Pardubice extra time had to be decided. Another drama was the responsibility of the home team, which lost to Slovakian AKAPO Lučenec by a single basket.

In group B, the most dramatic fight for the first place in the group was in which SKM Zastal Zielona Góra beat the German team Dresden Titans again by just two points.

Two teams that played a double match for the final 5th place did not reach the semi-finals. In both duels, the players BK VIVIDBOOKS Pardubice rejoiced at the victory, pushing PGE Spójnia Stargard to the last place.

In the first semi-final, two Polish teams, who know each other very well, met each other, and in the end SKM Zastal Zielona Góra was happy to advance to the final. On the other hand, for home team WKK Wrocław only the fight for bronze remained.

The second German-Slovak semi-final brought a dramatic and balanced fight, and the boys AKAPO Lučenec were happier and a bit better in it, who overpowered Dresden Titans .

In the match between the two disappointed semi-finalists, the players of the host club found more energy and took advantage of the fact that Dresden Titans still had a tough semi-final duel in their legs in the evening. The bronze remained at home and the fourth place goes to Germany.

The final was a real highlight of this season in this category, when great and balanced basketball was played from the first to the last minute. In the last quarter, the players AKAPO Lučenec were able to bounce back slightly from their opponent from SKM Zastal Zielona Góra and did not let go of the lead

### **The final standings of the final tournament and at the same time the final overall standings of the 22/23 season:**

1. AKAPO Lučenec (Slovakia)
2. SKM Zastal Zielona Góra (Poland)
3. WKK Wrocław (Poland)
4. Dresden Titans (Germany)

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5. BK VIVIDBOOKS Pardubice (Czech Republic)

6. PGE Spółnia Stargard (Poland)

Individual awards went to the following players:

**MVP:**

Michal Zachar ( AKAPO Lučenec )

**All-star team:**

Bartosz Checinski ( SKM Zastal Zielona Góra )

Stanisław Gabory ( WKK Wrocław )

Leonardo Benitez Arocha ( Dresden Titans )

Tomáš Míča ( BK VIVIDBOOKS Pardubice )

Maciej Bas ( PGE Spółnia Stargard )

**Top scorer of the tournament:**

Lukáš Huťka ( AKAPO Lučenec ) - 107 points (26.8 points per game)

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