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DAVID ODIAH 6'5" – SG – 2000 – Class of 2019 Belarus – GB Academy (CR)

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 7.3 PPG, 2.8 RPG, 1.5 APG, 36.4 FG%, 11.1 3PT%, 100 FT%, 1.3 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Not an exceptional talent but a wing with shooting potential that can take some playmaking responsibilities. Very smooth shooting form and confidence from the perimeter even though numbers don't suggest that. Has very good size but needs to get stronger. Has potential as an instanst shooting low to mid major guard. If he can expand his off the dribble game his value will immidiately get higher.

Ranking: Low Major

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Video Links: 2017 FIBA U18 Championships(#5): Switzerland v. Belarus v. Austria - Belarus v. Albania

Croatia v. Belarus - Hungary v. Belarus - Belarus v. Iceland - Georgia v. Belarus - Belarus v. Bulgaria

FIBA U18 2017 highlights - highlights v. Croatia - highlights v. Austria - 2016/17 highlights - 2015/16 highlights



AMAR MEHIC 6'11" - C - 2001 - Class of 2020 Bosnia & Herzegovina - Mega Bemax

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 5.8 PPG, 1.5 RPG, .3 APG, 62.5 2FG%, 0 3PT%, 50 FT%, .3 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Maybe he's the next best thing of Mega Bemax if he keeps developing. He's really got a nice strong and broad body. Very good size for his position (center). Not very mobile for the high major level, not actually a stiff but he'd struggle against the speed and athleticism of this level. Has good touch off of his left shoulder. Body and skill level making an interesting prospect that coaches must be following and keeping track of his progress.

Ranking: Mid to High Major

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Video Links: U17 highlights 2016



KENAN KAMENJAS 6'10" - C - 2000 - Class of 2019 Bosnia & Herzegovina - Spars Sarevejo

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 13.8 PPG, 14.3 RPG, 3.3 APG, 60 2FG%, 0 3PT%, 65.5 FT%, 2 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Big and broad body. Asks for the ball inside and seals well and deep. Good low post passer, finds cutters and reads defense. Not extremely skilled but knows how to play. Could be a solid college option for a mid level program as he brings strength, good screens, rebounding and deep seals in the paint. Not the vertical defender but he can put a body on opponents. He's not only a strong post player. Runs the floor very well (quicker than most player of his size and position) and gets after the boards.

Ranking: Mid Major

Contact info: Facebook - Instagram

Video Links: 2017 FIBA U18 Championships(#9): B&H Vs. Italy - B&H Vs. Slovenia - B&H Vs. Latvia - B&H Vs.

Slovakia - B&H Vs. Greece - B&H Vs. Serbia - B&H Vs, France, Tournament team highlights



DANKO BRANKOVIC 6'11" - C - 2000 - Class of 2019 Croatia - Cibona

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 11.3 PPG, 5.5 RPG, 1.8 APG, 58.8 2FG%, 100 3PT%, 100 FT%, .3 STI

<u>Recap</u>: Very tall and big but extremely raw. Body has ways to go physically. Small upper body, a bit narrowed. Long arms. Nice passer off the top of the key as he showed in one touch. Got his shot blocked from a smaller player because he lacks upper body strength to create separation. Shows a couple of nice post up moves, with more strength we can expect a polish offensive game. Promising sign that he showed a shooting touch from the elbow and also a three point range from the top of the key. He showed it only once but it's there and it can be a weapon in the future. Lacks toughness, struggles playing in contact. Follows plays and blocks shots with his length. Showed in the last game that he has shot blocking feel and potential.

Ranking: Mid Major

Contact info: Facebook - Instagram

Video Links: 2018 Juniori KK Cibona(#18): Cibona v. Samabor - Block highlight



LEO MENALO 6'8" - F - 2002 - Class of 2021 Croatia - Cibona

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 3 games, 4 PPG, 1 RPG, 0 APG, 55.6 2FG%, 0 3PT%, 50 FT%, 1.7 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Menalo looks like a baby and he's only 2002 but he's has great size and looks that he can grow in size. During warm ups he displayed fine athleticism which makes him even more intriguing prospect. Showed a promising off the dribble pull up and displayed interesting athleticism in transition. Attacked the basket after a defensive rebound showing fluid dribble motion, speed and skill. Great balance, attacks the basket and goes at the rim. He really impressed with his skill level and physical tools and athleticism at this age. Showed that he has pretty much everything you'd like to see on a prospect and for sure raised some eyebrows of scouts.

Ranking: High Major

Contact info: Facebook - Instagram

Video Links:



LUKA CVITANOVIC 6'4" – G – 2000 – Class of 2019 Croatia – Cibona

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 12.5 PPG, 2.8 RPG, 3.5 APG, 47.2 2FG%, 30.8 3PT%, 66.7 FT%, .3 STI

<u>Recap</u>: Lefty shooting guard with great shooting form. Suitable for college. Good size, can shoot off the dribble. Very skilled for his position, can have a four year career in low to mid major college. Signature move is take a few steps to the paint then use body to create separation and elevates to shoot the ball instantly. Great off the dribble shooter, aggressive and automatic in close out situations. Extremely effective when he changes directions and uses reverse dribble, can finish with both hands with skill and not strength.

Ranking: Mid Major

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Video Links: 2016 highlights - Defense highlights



LUKSA BULJEVIC 6'7" – F – 2002 – Class of 2021 Croatia – Cibona

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 3 games, 8 PPG, 3.3 RPG, .7 APG, 40 2FG%, 30.8 3PT%, 0 FT%, .7 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Very good body and enough skilled. Showed promising touch from the three point line but needs to grow to elite power forward size to be considered high major college prospect. Shot must be deadly since he's not a great athlete. He has an older brother that's taller than him so you might expect him to get taller in the next years.

Ranking: High Major

Contact info: Facebook - Twitter

Video Links:



LUBOS KOVAR 6'8" - C - 2000 - Class of 2019 Czech Republic - GB Academy

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 15.5 PPG, 10.8 RPG, 1.5 APG, 53.7 2FG%, 25 3PT%, 50 FT%, .3 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Has perfect body and good size for a mid major power forward. Likes to operate in the post and take advantage of his size. Offers intangibles, communicates and tries to lead his teammates. Has some shooting potential but he's not an one at this point. High motor, likes to mix it up on the glass. Generally a very good future college player who can play inside and outside and has a very good basketball body.

Ranking: Mid Major

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Video Links: 2017 FIBA U18 Championships(#2): Czech v. Sweden - Czech v. Romania - Czech v. Hungary - Sweden

v. Czech - Czech v. Albania - Netherlands v. Czech - Czech v. Luxembourg - Great Britain v. Czech



TOMAS MIKYSKA 6'7" - F - 2000 - Class of 2019 Czech Republic - GB Academy

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 10 PPG, 5 RPG, 1 APG, 50 2FG%, 33.33 3PT%, 50 FT%, 1.3 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Strong and physical post power forward that plays with a chip on his shoulder. Has also some shooting potential as he's shown in multiple instances but that's not a strength at this point. High motor, very good rebounder, goes after every ball. Has inside-out upside on offense and defense without being a great athlete. Moves well laterally and changes ends quickly.

Ranking: Mid Major

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Video Links:



MARK JAAKSON 6'5" - SG - 2000 - Class of 2019 Estonia - GB Academy (CR)

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 3 games, 11 PPG, 4 RPG, 4 APG, 77.8 2FG%, 38.5 3PT%, 66.7 FT%, 1 STL

Recap: Wing with great shooting form. The shooter many college coaches want on their team. Has good size and takes quality shots. Very valuable as a spot up shooter but he's also used off of screens and as a close out attacker from the weak side. He has a niche and does it well. Makes the right play most of the time with the ball in hands but dribbles too much sometimes. Not a future on the ball player, needs to have around players that can take the offensive load and him giving scoring when the defense rotates.

Ranking: Low to Mid Major

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Video Links: 2017 Dunk - 2016 highlights



DAVID KISS 6'10" - F - 2002 - Class of 2021 Hungary - Umana Reyer (ITA)

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 2 PPG, 2.3 RPG, 0 APG, 57.1 2FG%, 0 3PT%, 0 FT%, .3 STL

<u>Recap</u>: A bit raw, needs more time than the other big guy of the same team. Still learning the position and the intricacies of the game. Has interesting frame and size but a bit on the slower side without being heavy. Need to work on agility and explosiveness. Very long arms, body has room to grow and get better once he starts doing better training. He just came to Venice so improvement should be expected.

Ranking: Low Major

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Video Links:



FEDERICO MIASCHI 6'5" - SG - 2000 - Class of 2019 Italy - Umana Reyer

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 23.3 PPG, 9.3 RPG, 3 APG, 52.8 2FG%, 23.5 3PT%, 72.2 FT%, 1.8 STI

<u>Recap</u>: Skilled and smart player who knows how to play the game but he's not a very good athlete. Plays through contact. Mostly off the ball guard but can certainly make plays off the dribble. Very good pace and rhythm. Patient off the ball screen. Advanced ball handler, plays a bit upright but shifty enough to shake opponents with dribble moves. Kind of a strange player with his upright dribbling style but very solid ball handler. A two or three down the road. Much improved shooter.

Ranking: Mid Major

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<u>Video Links: 2017 FIBA U18 Championships(#11):</u> <u>Italy vs. France - Italy vs. BIH - Italy vs. Lithuania - Italy vs. Russia - Italy vs. Spain - Italy vs. Serbia - Italy vs. Ukraine - 2017 FIBA highlights, 2016 Finali Nazionali highlights - 2017 scout highlights</u>



LEONARDO BATTISTUZZI 6'7" - F - 2000 - Class of 2019 Italy - Umana Reyer

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 9.8 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 1.5 APG, 36.4 2FG%, 20 3PT%, 57.1 FT%, .5 STI

<u>Recap:</u> Lanky forward with intriguing physical profile and skill set. Can shoot the ball, has very good size and length for position. Can shoot over opponents thanks to size and good shooting form. He may end up as the best prospect of this team. Doesn't look like a bad athlete either and plays with high motor. A player that must be followed especially of the summer youth events period.

Ranking: Low Major

Contact info: Facebook - Instagram

Video Links: 2016 FIBA highlights - 2016 Finali Nazionali highlights



LUCA POSSAMAI 6'10" - C - 2001 - Class of 2020 Italy - Umana Reyer

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 3.5 PPG, 2.8 RPG, 0 APG, 50 2FG%, 0 3PT%, 0 STL

Recap: Tall guy with nice body, runs the floor well. Really interesting prospect from a college perspective Like his touch around the basket with his left hand. At this time he's more potential than production but definitely a prospect to keep tracking down especially for the college level. Rebounds and shows good hands on the boards. Three quick fouls in the first half of his second game got him quickly out of the game. Difficult to evaluate him properly in limited playing time but needs to work on defensive positioning, instincts and anticipation.

Ranking: Low Major

Contact info: Video Links:



BOJAN TOMASEVIC 6'8" – F – 2001 – Class of 2020 Montenegro – Crvena Zvezda (SER)

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 13.8 PPG, 5 RPG, 2.5 APG, 57.1 2FG%, 18.2 3PT%, 100 FT%, .8 STI

<u>Recap</u>: Good touch and body. Polished, can also post up and makes correct reads off the post. Could potentially play the four and they five as he's skilled and can stretch the floor. He has a big's type body. Very skilled in the post, makes good passes and reads the defense. If he can grow a few centimeters he could be a modern inside out power forward. Shot must be developed and become more consistent. Shot only 29.2% from three in 34 attempts over this summer's u16 EC. Good hands and quick touch off drop offs.

Ranking: Mid Major

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<u>Video Links: 2017 FIBA U16 Championships(#10): Mont v. France - Mont v. Serbia - Lithuania v. Mont - Italy v.</u>
Mont - Mont. v. Latvia - Mont v. Spain - Sweden v. Mont - 2017 Zrenjanin Cup highlights - U19 Crvena Zvezda

highlights



ALEKSANDAR LANGOVIC 6'9" - C - 2001 - Class of 2020 Serbia - Mega Bemax

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 14.5 PPG, 8.8 RPG, 1 APG, 76.2 2FG%, 50 3PT%, 76.7 FT%, .8 STL

Recap: Lefty big that shoots the three with great size, length and body for a power forward. Attacks from the outside- in, gets to rim and finishes thanks to his size. More mobile compared to the other bigs of Mega Bemax. Plays only as a power forward and outside shot is promising. Good rebounder, always strong to the ball.

Ranking: Mid Major

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Video Links: 2017 FIBA U16 highlights - Dunk highlights - 2017 highlights - 2017 highlights pt. 2



LAZAR ZIVANOVIC 6'7" - G - 2001 - Class of 2020 Serbia - Crvena Zvezda

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 10.8 PPG, 2.5 RPG, 1 APG, 71.4 2FG%, 12.5 3PT%, 43.5 FT%, 1 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Very athletic wing with great legs and defensive mentality. Leaks out in transition and makes athletic plays. Very good in passing lanes. On the other end, doesn't offer much. Average shooter and almost non existent creativity with ball in hands. Can be good in his role as an energy giver, plays with high motor and embraces defense.

Ranking: Low Major

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<u>Video Links:</u> 2017 FIBA U16 Championships(#9): Serbia v. Croatia - Mont v. Serbia - Serbia v.Spain - Germany v.

Serbia - Croatia v. Serbia - Serbia v. Israel - Lithuania v. Serbia - 2017 FIBA U16 highlights



LUKA CEROVINA 6'7" – F – 2000 – Class of 2019 Serbia – Mega Bemax

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 18 PPG, 7 RPG, 4.5 APG, 60.7 2FG%, 35.3 3PT%, 83.33 FT%, 2.5 STI

<u>Recap</u>: Lefty wing, smart that can play outside and create off the dribble but also showed flashes of post up game. Such a good passer on the move. With better and more consistent shooting he could have a nice career as a playmaking three. Average athlete but dominates the game with skill and smarts rather than athleticism and physically imposing frame. One of the most skilled player of the tournament, will have a long career thanks to scoring and playmaking abilities.

Ranking: High Major

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Video Links: All tournament highlights



MILOS COJBASIC 6'8" - C - 2000 - Class of 2019 Serbia - Crvena Zvezda

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 7.3 PPG, 3.8 RPG, .8 APG, 65 2FG%, 0 3PT%, 37.5 FT%, 0 STL

Recap: Back to the basket post with big and broad body. Not very athletic or long but strong and big. Could improve his body and trim down a little bit. Shows ability to hit the right hook shot off of his left shoulder inside the paint. Has enough skill and size to be a solid four year college player for a low major program.

Ranking: Low major

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PAVLE KUZMANOVIC 6'5" - G - 2000 - Class of 2019 Serbia - Mega Bemax

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 7.5 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 4.3 APG, 43.8 2FG%, 28.6 3PT%, 80 FT%, .8 STI

<u>Recap</u>: Big PG, good ball handler. Solid in PNR play, finds the weak side man, keeps ball alive and scans the floor. Not really creative or magician out of the PNR but shows decent play. Has nice size and body, has potential as a low to mid major college level player. Showed that he's a bit careless with the ball and sometimes shows questionable shot taking. Has potential but has to be a pass first PG as he's not a great scorer.

Ranking: Low to Mid Major

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Video Links:



STEVAN KARAPANDZIC 6'3" - PG - 2001 - Class of 2020 Serbia - Partizan

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 8.3 PPG, 4.3 RPG, 6 APG, 40 2FG%, 21.4 3PT%, 75 FT%, 1 STL

Recap: Pass-first PG that moves the ball and makes his teammates better without dominating the ball. Quick, reads the defense and makes basketball plays. Averaged 6 assists over four games. Must be more aggressive and try to be score the ball. Improving his long range shooting will take his game to another level since he lakes elite size.

Ranking: Low Major

Contact info: Facebook - Instagram

<u>Video Links: 2017 FIBA U16 Championships(#6): Serbia v. Croatia - Mont v. Serbia - Serbia v. Spain - Germany v.</u>

Serbia - Croatia v. Serbia - Serbia v. Israel - Lithuania v. Serbia - 2016 highlights - 2017 U16 highlights



ZORAN PAUNOVIC 6'7" - F - 2000 - Class of 2019 Serbia - Crvena Zvezda

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 24.5 PPG, 6.5 RPG, 2.8 APG, 70.8 2FG%, 55.6 3PT%, 55.6 FT%, 3.3 STL

Recap: Very good athlete for the European standards, can score the ball. Does many things well and had athletic advantage over anyone in this tournament. Very aggressive, always in attack mode. Looks to score, looks basket first. Makes the correct pass but most of the time when he doesn't have any other option. Has defensive potential thanks to energy and athletic ability. Can block shots and chase out shooters. Size and body is good but unclear how good a creator he is. Attacks the basket off the dribble in ball screen situations. Automatic off the dribble, elevates high with very good balance.

Ranking: High Major

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Video Links: All tournament highlights - Game highlights - 2017 highlights



MATUS SKUBEN 6'3" – G – 2001 – Class of 2020 Slovakia – GB Academy (CR)

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 3 games, 2.3 PPG, 3 RPG, 1 APG, 25 2FG%, 100 3PT%, 50 FT%, 0 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Skuben is an intriguing player that doesn't have a well rounded offensive game at this point but has shown some flashes of talent and upside. Can shoot the ball a bit and has interesting athleticsm. Size is good and he may have an inch or two left size wise. He's also very smart and makes good basketball plays with the ball. He's a Slovakian national team player and he should be followed during the summer.

Ranking: Low Major

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Video Links:



TOMAS PAVELKA
7'0" - C - 2000 - Class of 2019
Slovakia - GB Academy (CR)

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 2.3 PPG, 2 RPG, 0 APG, 33.33 2FG%, 0 3PT%, 71.4 FT%, 0 STL

Recap: Long feet- long arms, still developing. Runs floor well, body seems capable of taking more weight. He has the kind of body that takes more years to get accustomed to and develop. Doesn't have strength and that doesn't not enabled him to show if he has any kind of a post up game or to be a factor on the boards. Definitely someone to keep an eye on but talent wise he seems a few years behind compared to his same aged peers. Moves feet very well despite his massive size, covers ground defensively, blitzes PNRs and gets back. Could developed into a decent rim protector if he puts his mind into it.

Ranking: Mid Major

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Video Links:



MUSTAFA KURTULDUM 6'5" - G - 2001 - Class of 2020 Turkey - Anadalu Efes

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 21.8 PPG, 5 RPG, 2.5 APG, 44.4 2FG%, 39.1 3PT%, 54.5 FT%, 2.5 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Kurtuldum is a dynamic all around guard with a strong frame and above average athleticism. More of an off the ball guard, slashes to the hoop and attacks in transition. On defense, he's smart and shows good anticipation. Willing and capable defender, will be a plus on that end of the floor. If he improves shooting and playmaking he may end up one of the best players of his born year.

Ranking: Mid to High Major

Contact info: Facebook - Instagram - Twitter

<u>Video Links: 2017 FIBA U16 Championships(#7):Lithuania v. Turkey - Turkey v. Latvia - Turkey v. France - Israel v. Turkey - Turkey v. Slovenia - Finaland v. Turkey - Turkey v. Germany - 2017 FIBA U16 highlights - 2017 highlights</u>



TARIK SEZGUN 6'10" – C – 2001 – Class of 2020 Turkey – Anadalu Efes

2018 Adidas Next Generation (Belgrade): 4 games, 7 PPG, 5.3 RPG, .5 APG, 52.4 2FG%, 33.33 3PT%, 75 FT%, .5 STL

<u>Recap</u>: Long and lean body. Still lot of room to grow to. Runs the floor well and slides his feet, can hedge PNRs and covers lots of space thanks to his long arms and feet. Has the NBA type of size and promising frame for a power forward. Doesn't seem the type of frame that it'd enable him to add weight to become a five in the high major ball/NBA. Showed that he's a good passer out of the post. Displays soft touch around the rim with his right hand. Runs the floor well.

Ranking: Mid to High Major

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<u>Video Links: 2017 FIBA U16 Championships (#8): Lithuania v. Turkey v. Latvia - Turkey v. France - Israel v.</u>

Turkey - Turkey v. Slovenia - Finaland v. Turkey - Turkey v. Germany - 2017 FIBA U16 highlights