

10 DAYS TO GO: THE COUNTDOWN TO THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP HAS BEGUN

Full fight card set for 1 October as EFC releases the official EFC 138 Countdown



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Ten days from today, undefeated number-one contender Terrence "The Mountain" Born faces former two-time champion Matunga "HHH Power" Djikasa for the vacant EFC Heavyweight Championship at EFC 138.

With fight night approaching, EFC has released the official EFC 138 Countdown, going inside the heavyweight championship fight and the very different journeys that have brought Born and Djikasa to this moment.

The Countdown follows Born's rapid four-fight rise from professional debutant to undefeated number-one contender, while revisiting Djikasa's two championship reigns and his road back towards another opportunity at EFC gold.

Watch the full EFC 138 Countdown [HERE](#)

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Bantamweight

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Featherweight

KHANYO MAQAM vs OSVALDO BENEDITO

Lightweight

CLELIO “LUFFY” DIOGO vs GODFREY “FERALSPUNKY” MKHWANAZI

Bantamweight

PRELIMINARY CARD

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Bantamweight

TRYFORD MWANGA vs THAPELO “RASTA” MALATJIE

Flyweight

ITUMELENG MABILO vs THEMBANI MHLANGA

Lightweight

LUCKY BOSCO vs ALEX KAPINGA

Lightweight

EFC 138: Djikasa vs Born for the vacant heavyweight championship is presented by World Sports Betting and takes place on Thursday, 1 October at the WSB EFC Arena in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Tickets and broadcast information are available at: efcworldwide.com

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