

Beyond the Odds: Tales of Resilience at the AFCON



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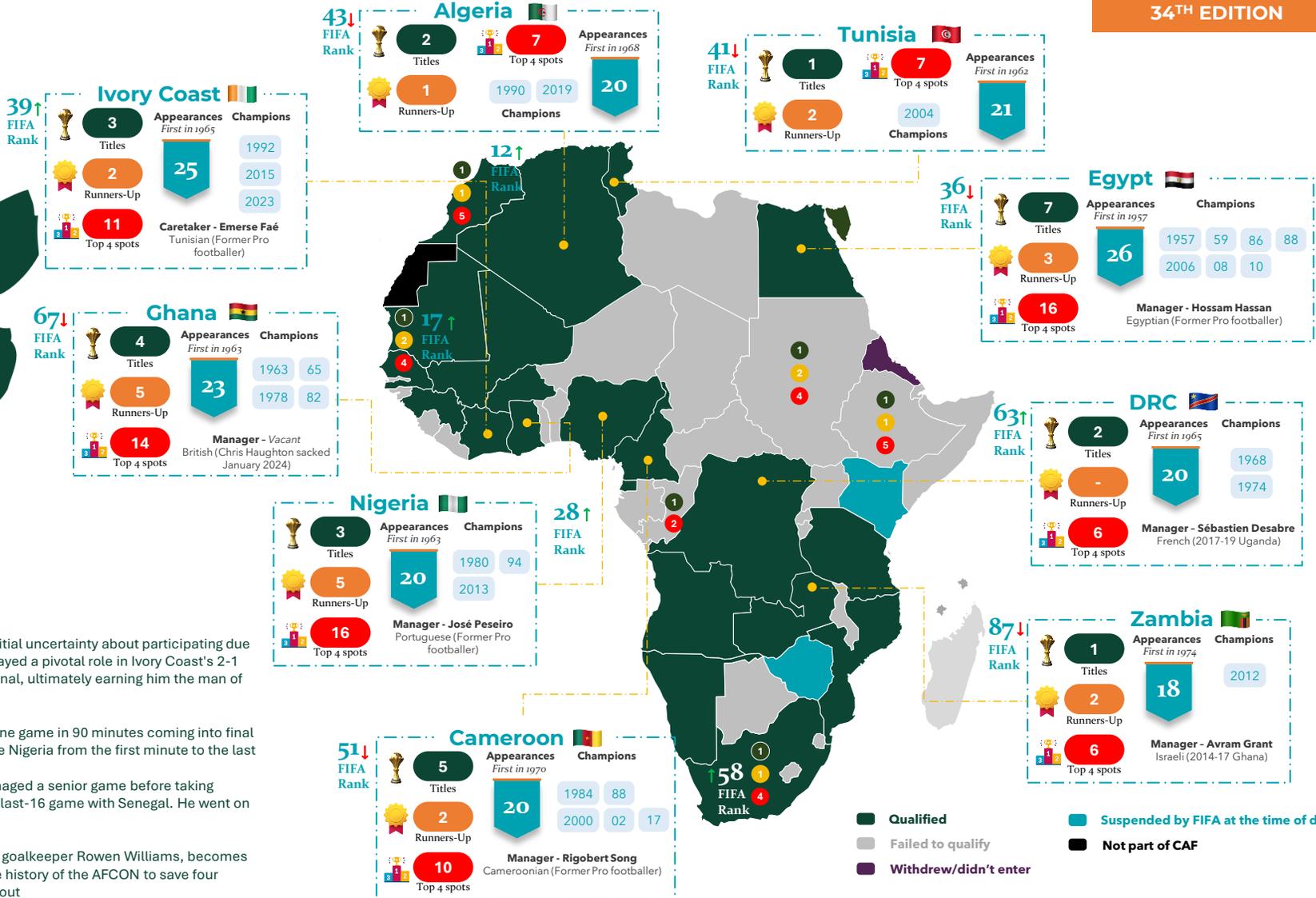
GOALKEEPER: ROWEN WILLIAMS

DEFENDERS: OLA AINA, W. TROOST-ENKONG, CHANCEL MBEHIA, GHLEINAIN KONAN

MIDFIELDERS: TESHIO MORDENA, JEAN MICHAËL SERI

FORWARDS: YOANE WISSA, FRANK KESSIE, EMEJIO NSUR, ALDO KHAN

COACH: EMERSE FAE



Tales of Resilience

- Despite Simon Adingra's initial uncertainty about participating due to a hamstring injury, he played a pivotal role in Ivory Coast's 2-1 victory over Nigeria in the final, ultimately earning him the man of the match title.
- Ivory Coast had won only one game in 90 minutes coming into final but dominated fan favourite Nigeria from the first minute to the last
- Emerse Fae had never managed a senior game before taking charge of the Ivory Coast's last-16 game with Senegal. He went on to win the cup
- South Africa's Captain and goalkeeper Rowen Williams, becomes the first shot-stopper in the history of the AFCON to save four penalties in a single shoot-out

5 Games decided in the last 5 minutes

2.29 Goals per Match Highest in 12 years

3 in 5 Managers are of African origin

4+ Continental Broadcast

