

Hibs sign Ivory Coast striker Franck Dja Djédjé



Hibs today announced the arrival of former Ivory Coast under-23 striker Franck Dja Djédjé, who joins the club after agreeing an 18-month contract; subject to international clearance.

The 28-year-old forward moves to Easter Road following spells with leading clubs in France, the Ukraine, Norway and Belarus where he played for Paris St Germain, Grenoble, Strasbourg, Nice and Dinamo Minsk among others.

Dja Djédjé, who represented the Ivory Coast at the 2008 Olympics, told Hibs TV: "This is a brilliant club and I'm very excited about playing for Hibernian in Scotland.

"I've heard so many good things about Hibernian and everything seems right about this move, so I cannot wait for it all to begin."

Before signing, he sought the advice of his close friend, Sol Bamba, who recorded 80 appearances for Hibernian.

He added: "Sol is a close friend of mine and he told me all about Hibernian, Edinburgh and Scottish football.

"He told me that I should take this opportunity because I would enjoy playing here.

"My objective is to help the club to achieve promotion this year by scoring goals and helping the team."

Dja Djédjé, who will simply have Djédjé on the back of his shirt, will wear squad number 29 and will be available to play in Saturday's home match against Falkirk (10 January, kick off

3pm).

Head Coach Alan Stubbs says he is delighted that Djédjé is now on board and believes the Ivorian will add extra quality to the squad.

Stubbs said: "We're really excited that we've managed to get Franck on board – he will give us another dimension in attack.

"Franck is an intelligent player, who has got good movement, he is quick and he scores goals.

"We're delighted that we've managed to sign him and we welcome him into the squad."

Dja Djédjé's arrival follows the loan signing of Martin Boyle as Head Coach Stubbs aims to strengthen the first team squad for the second half of the Scottish Championship season.