

Hearts Sign Polish Defender

Hearts have signed Polish centre-half Blazej Augustyn. The 27 year old's last club was Gornik Zabrze where he played 18 times last season and he will join Robbie Neilson's side subject to international clearance.

As a youth player, Augustyn was on Bolton Wanderer's books but left the Lancashire club in 2007 due to limited opportunities to make the first team. Augustyn has experience of top level Italian football, having played for Catania. He has also played for Vicenza Calcio in Italy as well as Legia Warsaw in his homeland.

Hearts were desperate to secure an experienced centre half following the summer departures of captain Danny Wilson and Brad McKay.