

Hearts sign Langer on busy transfer deadline day

It's been a busy transfer deadline day at Tynecastle as manager Daniel Stendel continues to rebuild his Hearts team.

Arriving in

Gorgie is German midfielder Marcel Langer. The 22-year-old has been released by

Bundesliga club Schalke 04 and was delighted to link up again with Stendel who managed him at Hannover 96.

Langer told

the official Hearts website:

"It was not really a hard decision to make," he said. "I like adventures. It's a new country, a new city and a new language. I'm looking forward to it and I'm happy."

"When I played in the youths for Hannover 96 I worked with the manager in the U19s. We were really successful. We won the U19s German Cup. It was a good connection."

"The manager called me before New Year's Eve and yes, I was really direct – I want to do this. Then we talked with Schalke and

the club and now I
am here.

“I watched the highlights from the Rangers game and the atmosphere was
crazy.

“For sure, I’m looking forward to playing here in front of
18,000.

Normally we play in front of 5,000 in Germany so this is
different. This is
nice.”

Another player hoping to be reunited with the Hearts manager
is Barnsley
striker Mamadou Thiam although the Edinburgh Reporter
understand talks are
still ongoing.

Heading out of Gorgie are veteran striker Steven MacLean and
young
goalkeeper Kelby Mason who are going on loan to Raith Rovers
and Edinburgh City
respectively. Former captain Christophe Berra is believed to
be holding signing
talks with Championship side Dundee while striker Conor
Washington has been
linked with English Championship side Stoke City.