Celtic midfielder Hyeokkyu Kwon joins Hibs on loan for rest of season

Hibs have announced the loan signing of defensive midfielder Hyeokkyu Kwon

The 23-year-old joins the club from fellow Scottish Premiership side Celtic for duration of the 2024/25 campaign.

Standing at 6ft 3', Kwon joined Celtic in the summer of 2023 from K-League 2 side Busan IPark. He penned a five-year deal with the Hoops before spending the second half of the campaign on loan at St Mirren, where he was virtually ever-present.

Internationally, he has been capped by South Korea up until Under-23s earning 13 caps to date.

Hibs Head Coach David Gray said: "Hyeokkyu provides us with another option in midfield being able to play as both a deeper 6 and as an 8.

"As a player, he's a great athlete, he's very competitive, and comfortable on the ball. He showed these capabilities during an impressive loan spell last season.

"We're delighted to bring him to the Club and look forward to working with him."

Sporting Director Malky Mackay added: "We're really pleased to make Hyeokkyu our ninth signing of the summer transfer window.

"He is another top professional to add to the First Team

group, comes with a good pedigree, and adds a real presence on the pitch.

"We'd like to thank Brendan Rodgers and Celtic for the smooth handling of the move, and how quickly and efficiently we were able to get this deal done."