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JIMMY BRIAND SIGNS FOR FOUR YEARS WITH OLYMPIQUE LYONNAIS

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French international Jimmy Briand has signed a four-year contract with Olympique Lyonnais.

The international striker, who passed his medical exam today, is the second player to join OL during the current summer trading window, following the promising young French international Jérémy Pied, who has returned from being on loan.

The amount of the transfer was €6 million.

League titles once again for the women's and CFA teams

The women's team won their league title for the fourth consecutive time this past weekend, matching the Toulouse club's record performance.

The first French club to play in the final round of the UEFA Women's Champions League—in May against the Potsdam (Germany) team—OL will take part next season in the Champions League for the 4th consecutive time.

Meanwhile, the CFA team won the league title of professional reserves teams for the 2^{nd} consecutive time, giving OL a 2^{nd} national title this season.

Other young teams also excelled. The U17 squad played the semi-final round of their league championship, and the U19s finished in 2nd place in their league.

Lastly, the men's professional team, managed by Claude Puel, having finished 2nd in Ligue 1, will take part in the Champions League for the 11th consecutive time, as only Real Madrid, Arsenal and Manchester United have done. OL reached the semi-final round of the competition this year.

Internationals on several fronts

Seven Lyon players are now in South Africa as members of teams competing in the World Cup:

- Sidney Govou, Hugo Lloris, Anthony Réveillère and Jérémy Toulalan (France),
- John Mensah (Ghana),
- Jean II Makoun (Cameroon),



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- Michel Bastos (Brazil).

Many other players have been selected to play on their country's national team:

- Kim Källström (Sweden), Miralem Pjanic (Bosnia-Herzegovina) and Dejan Lovren (Croatia),
- Jérémy Pied (France Espoir),
- Anthony Lopes (Portugal U20),
- Sébastien Faure, Thimothée Kolodziecziak, Clément Grenier, Enzo Reale and Yannis Tafer, who will take part in the forthcoming U19 European championships,
- Samuel Umtiti and William Le Pogam, who reached the U17 Euro semi-finals with the France national team,
- Damien Teixeira (Portugal U16).

Several players from the women's teams have also been selected:

- Laura Georges, Corine Franco, Amandine Henry, Louisa Necib and Elodie Thomis (France),
- Ingvild Stensland, Isabell Herlovsen and Christine Nilsen (Norway),
- Lara Dickenmann (Switzerland),
- Shirley Cruz (Costa Rica),
- Cindy Berthet, who won the European championship along with her France U19 teammates.

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