

《Fabio Capello to coach Chinese soccer club Jiangsu Suning》

Fabio Capello, the ex-England and Russia coach, has signed with Jiangsu Suning on an 18-month contract worth a yearly salary of 10 million euros, the Chinese Super League (CSL) club announced on Sunday.

The appointment is in consideration of the “strategic progress of the club,” said Jiangsu, expressing hope that Capello “will bring advanced ideas and methods on club management, coaches training and youth team training.”



Moussa Square of FC Internazionale Primavera (L) strikes the ball during the friendly match between his club and Jiangsu Suning FC U19 on November 21, 2016 in Milan, Italy. /VCG Photo

Jiangsu have been on the lookout for a new boss after South Korea's Choi Yong-Soo resigned in early June.

Capello, 70, has won five Serie A titles – four with AC Milan and one with Roma – plus two La Liga crowns with Real Madrid. He also won the Champions League during his time with Milan.

Jiangsu are struggling near the bottom of the CSL and were eliminated by Shanghai SIPG in the first knockout stage of the AFC Champions League.



Fabio Capello gestures during his time managing England in a Euro 2012 qualifier match against Montenegro in Podgorica, Montenegro, on October 7, 2011. /VCG Photo

Capello is the third big-name Italian coaching in China following Marcello Lippi and Fabio Cannavaro.

Nearly half way into the season, four CSL clubs have changed their head coaches since May, including Tianjin Teda's Jaime Pacheco, Changchun Yatai's Lee Jang-soo, Guizhou Hengfeng Zhicheng's Li Bin and Jiangsu's Choi.

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