Players selected for U-15 identification camp in Ontario as part of Canada Soccer's Men's Excel Program

Canada Soccer's Men's National Youth Program's second of three Spring 2016 identification camps will feature 23 players in <u>Vaughan, Ontario from 28 February to 3 March</u>. The U-15 camp will feature players born 2001 or later.

Canada Soccer's Technical Director Tony Fonseca and coaching staff have organized three identification camps in February and March of this year. The three camps will allow Canada Soccer's coaching staff to assess more than 60 bright Canadian prospects from across the country. The western camp took place in Burnaby from 8-11 February; the upcoming eastern camp takes place in Montréal from 20-23 March.

"We have been encouraged by the number of younger quality players in our Men's National Team in recent years," said Tony Fonseca, Canada Soccer's Technical Director. "Our players are growing up with a solid foundation of skill. You can see from the interaction with our national program, the future is bright."

Just last year, Canada Soccer's Men's National Youth Program engaged in 20 camps and tournaments from the U-15 to U-23 levels. That schedule included the CONCACAF Men's Under-17 Championship, the CONCACAF Men's Under-20 Championship, and the CONCACAF Men's Olympic Qualifying Tournament. The schedule also included youth identification camps at different age levels. In all, 3,623 player days were afforded to 311 Canadian youth players over the course of the year.

Canada Soccer's Men's EXCEL Program channels our nation's exceptional players into the best soccer environments. The Canada Soccer Pathway works in collaboration with our provincial and territory partners as well as the professional clubs and academies. For Canada's elite players, the program emphasizes player development on the pathway to representing Canada's Men's National Team in international soccer.

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GK- Nicholas Christoffersen | CAN / North Toronto SC

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- CB- Gianfranco Facchineri | USA / Vardar SC
- CB- Myles Misener-Daley | CAN / Sigma FC
- CB- Inder Thind | CAN / Aurora YSC
- FB- Gianni Ferri | USA / Vardar SC
- FB- Isaiah Johnston | CAN / Milton YSC & The Future SA
- FB- Justin Yarde | CAN / Markham SC
- FB- Idir Zerrouk | CAN / West Ottawa SC
- M- Antonio Carlini | CAN / Ottawa South United SC
- M- Moises Corona | CAN / Epic FC Toronto
- M- Mehdi Essoussi | CAN / Ottawa South United SC
- M-Omar Hoffman | CAN / Woodbridge SC
- M- Carson Larabie | CAN / Epic FC Toronto
- M-Ralph Priso-Mbongue | CAN / North Toronto SC
- M- Loic Tagne | CAN / Markham SC
- W- Mack Cobel | CAN / Richmond Hill SC
- W- Stefan Copetti | CAN / Vaughan SC
- W- Micah Jebbison | CAN / ANB Futbol
- W- Nick Kwawukumey | CAN / Woodbridge SC
- W- Jahdea Paterson | CAN / Richmond Hill SC
- F- Daniel Assaf | CAN / Ottawa South United SC
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