



RUI GONÇALVES

UEFA B LICENCE FOOTBALL COACH

PROFILE

UEFA B licence coach with 15+ years' experience from youth to first team level across Europe and the Middle East. Proven in leading teams to success using player-focused methods and tactical innovation. Skilled at developing talent and achieving results in competitive environments. Passionate about helping players reach their full potential.

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF BEDFORDSHIRE

BSc (Hons) Sport & Exercise Science - First Class Honours
Degree (2004 - 2007)



UEFA B Licence

The Scottish Football Association
Licence: 251990

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Player Development
- Tactical Periodisation
- Team Management
- Training Methodology
- Session Planning
- Performance Analysis

LANGUAGES

- English - Native/Bilingual
- Portuguese - Native/Bilingual
- Spanish - Basic

COACHING CAREER

First Team Assistant Coach

AL-ULA FC (Saudi Arabia)
Jan 2024 - Jul 2024



Molde 2 / U19 Assistant Coach

MOLDE FOTBALL KLUBB (Norway)
Jan 2023 - Dec 2023



U19 Assistant Coach & Performance Analyst

AL-HILAL SAUDI FC (Saudi Arabia)
Jan 2022 - Jul 2022



First Team Assistant Coach

GDS CASCAIS (Portugal)
Dec 2019 - Jul 2021



U17 Head Coach

COLÉGIO MARISTA (Portugal)
Mar 2017 - Aug 2018



U19 Assistant Coach

REAL SPORT CLUBE (Portugal)
Jun 2015 - Jul 2016



U19 Head Coach

CD BELAS (Portugal)
Dec 2013 - Jun 2015



U12 Head Coach

DRAGON FORCE LISBOA, FC PORTO (Portugal)
Aug 2012 - Jul 2013



Football Coach & Programmes Coordinator

MANCHESTER UTD SOCCER SCHOOLS (Portugal)
Jun 2008 - Jun 2012



U13 Head Coach

EAS CACÉM, SPORTING CP (Portugal)
FEB 2008 - Aug 2008



SOFT SKILLS

- Leadership
- Communication
- Adaptability
- Teamwork
- Problem-Solving
- Cultural Awareness

TOOLS

- Hudl
- SportsBase
- LongoMatch
- The Sports Office



ACHIEVEMENTS

Assistant Coach

- Supported Al-Ula FC's 1st Team in winning the Saudi League 3rd Division Championship during the 2023/24 season, contributing to the tactical setup and providing valuable assistance in securing promotion to the 2nd Division.
- Assisted Molde FK in reaching Round Two of the UEFA Youth League (Domestic Champions Path) in the 2023/24 season, collaborating on match preparations and analysis to strengthen the team's performance in the competition.
- Played a key role in Molde FK's U19 Championship victory in the Norwegian OBOS National G19 League (2023), providing support in training and match strategies that contributed to the team's overall success.
- Helped Al-Hilal Saudi FC U19 team secure the Saudi Premier League title in the 2021/22 season, implementing performance analysis strategies that led to consistent top-tier performance.
- Assisted Real Sport Clube's U19 team in securing 1st place in the first phase, working closely with the coaching staff to implement tactical adjustments that supported the team's promotion push to the 1st Portuguese National Division in the 2015/16 season.

Head Coach

- Achieved 2nd place in the U17 Lisbon District League with Colégio Marista in the 2017/18 season, driving player development and tactical execution to deliver a highly competitive season finish.
- Rescued U19 team from relegation at CD Belas in the 2014/15 season, taking over mid-season and guiding the team to a 9th place finish in the 1st Division.

COURSES

"Modern Trends in the Game" with Mixu Paatelainen & Alan Irvine
The Scottish Football Association | CPD Event (Edinburgh) - Dec 2023

"Scouting and Match Analysis in Football" - LONGOMATCH
PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE | Sapienta Sports | Football Academy - Mar - Jun 2019

"Positional Play Methodology – from theory to training" with Óscar Cano Moreno | Sportrail Caixa Futebol Campus, Sport Lisboa e Benfica - May 2018

"Football Training according to Tactical Periodization" with Professor José Guilherme Oliveira | Bwizer (Porto) - Jul 2016

REFERENCES

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