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HAMMERS EYE COLONNELLO

By [Adam Marshall](#) 

WEST HAM have again been casting a glance towards the Italian transfer market with Lecce's Gianluca Colonnello the latest player to catch Glenn Roeder's attention.

The versatile Italian only recently extended his contract with the club until 2004, but may be tempted by a switch to London if Roeder follows up his initial interest with a firm bid.

The Hammers' recent run of good form came to an abrupt end at Elland Road on Tuesday evening, as Leeds United went top of the table with a comfortable 3-0 victory.

Roeder has admitted he may need to sell before bringing in new blood, with Paolo Di Canio continually linked with a move to Manchester United, but the Upton Park boss is believed to have compiled a short-list of possible targets.

Colonnello has previously played for Perugia, Pescara and Castel di Sangro, and can play in midfield or defence.

The 28-year-old has been used sparingly this term, and only featured in 91 minutes of action, in total, in Serie A.

Lecce could also off-load Bruno Cirillo, with Brescia keen on landing the defender.

The 24-year-old was formerly with Internazionale.

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