

## PLAYER PROFILE

Name: **Paulauskas, Gediminas**

DOB: **October 27, 1982**  
Height: **1.90 m (6'2")**  
Weight: **75.5 kg (165 lbs)**

Position: **Left Defender**  
Foot: **Left**

Nationality: **Lithuania (Senior National Team Player)**

Current club:



**AC Bellinzona (Switzerland)**



Player  
Description:

Paulauskas is a tall, physical and surprisingly agile left-footed wide defender with nineteen caps for the full Senior National Team including World Cup Qualifiers and Euro 2008 Qualifiers. His hard tackling and disciplined tactical play from the rear guard have been critical components of FK Ekranas' 2005 A-Lyga Championship and qualification for UEFA Champion's League competition in 2006 and 2007. He has been well-developed among the elite youth players in the Lithuanian National system and poised to be the starting left defender for many years to come as the nation prepares for South Africa and beyond. For a big man he can cover ground quickly and play forward on attack at times as well.

Paulauskas is recognizable on the pitch for his composed presence when playing the ball out of the defense, linking with midfielders and recognizing the counter attack at appropriate moments. He is also a hard working defenseman with a good sense of marking responsibilities and strong, sound ball winning capabilities. For a big man he is quick, very agile on his feet and can lock down the left defense for a UEFA Competition bound club. He is a rising Euro talent with good size, deft touch, excellent tackling acumen and a hard-driving work ethic both during matches and practice sessions.

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Achievements:

### National Team (Lithuania):

- 19 caps with Lithuania Senior National Team, including 2006 World Cup Qualifiers and 2008 European Championship Qualifiers
- Most recent competitions included Euro Qualifiers versus Italy, France and Ukraine
- Received first Senior National Team cap in 2005 against Spain at 22 years-old in World Cup Qualifier
- Has since featured at left fullback in WCQ Qualifiers versus Spain, Belgium and Serbia and Montenegro (2 matches) as well as 2008 Euro Qualifiers against Italy, Ukraine, France and Georgia
- Received numerous caps with U-17, U-19 and U-21 National Team

### Club (AC Bellinzona):

- Signed on free transfer to AC Bellinzona, February 2008
- Selected as Lithuania A-Lyga Defender of the Year, 2005 and 2006
- Finished second in consideration for Lithuania A-Lyga Player of the Year, 2005
- Scored 7 goals in A-Lyga action from left defender spot since 2004
- Starting left defender for Ekranas in championship campaign of A-Lyga in 2005
- Ekranas qualified and played in 2006 Champion's League tournament
- Ekranas qualified and played in 2007 UEFA Cup tournament

For Video Footage of Gediminas Paulauskas, please follow the following link on the internet:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TG8zjqoZbpU>