Invention relates to the field of metal forming and can be used in the forging of ingots and billets on forging presses. Quick-attachment device for upper forging tool to hydraulic forging press comprises a hydraulic cylinder with a piston rod mounted on the press upper plate. Attached to the rod is a fitting onto which a sleeve is screwed; this sleeve is mounted on one side of a T-shaped insert, which is designed to move within a recess of the same cross-section machined into the upper plate of the press. On the other side, the insert has a wedge-shaped projection with an inclination angle of $\alpha = 18°–22°$, which is designed to engage the upper surface of a groove machined with the same angle of inclination in the upper forging die, and to disengage from the groove when the insert is moved. The insert is designed to be of a height that ensures a gap between its base and the bottom of the recess. This results in improved reliability and durability of the device, as well as expanded functionality.