

## Press Release

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### **King's College London Mathematics School receives significant charitable donation from Man Group**

**02 July 2019** – King's College London Mathematics School ('King's Maths School'), a specialist state-funded school for gifted mathematicians aged 16-19, is delighted to announce a significant charitable donation from Man Group, the global active investment management firm, to support the school as it brings high quality mathematics education to students who have a particular aptitude and enthusiasm for the subject.

Located in South East London, King's Maths School is run in partnership with King's College London and is focused on providing education opportunities for the brightest young aspiring mathematicians in and around London. In particular, the school offers a genuine access route for students who come from backgrounds that are often underrepresented in mathematical sciences – around 40% of current students are from financially challenging backgrounds and 37% are female. These figures are considerably higher than the respective proportions studying STEM subjects in the broader population.

Reflecting its mission to widen participation in mathematical degrees and careers, the class of 2018 achieved exceptional results: 59% of all entries were A\* grades, 89% were A\*/A, and 97% were A\*/A/B. Since its opening in September 2014, 201 students have graduated from the school and progressed to study STEM subjects at leading universities in the UK and North America.

Over three consecutive academic years, Man Group's charitable contributions will support four areas of activity to help advance the education of the school's students:

1. Develop a network between new mathematics schools which are planned to open across the UK
2. Help the school continue to attract highly qualified, outstanding teachers and staff
3. Establish an alumni programme for King's Maths School, which will benefit existing and future cohorts
4. Build new partnerships and improve external relations within the academic community and industry

In addition, Man Group intends to facilitate an engagement programme between its employees and King's Maths School, which includes the development of bespoke internship and work experience programmes for the students; access to the firm's events, including machine learning and technology seminars; as well as a speaker programme led by Man Group colleagues at King's Maths School.

#### **Dan Abramson, Head Teacher of King's Maths School, said:**

"A core aim of King's Maths School is to widen participation in the mathematical sciences, and we are delighted to have found in Man Group an enthusiastic and committed partner to support this mission. Man Group's donation and partnership will substantially enrich the opportunities available not only to our current and future students, but also to our growing community of alumni and, through the UK maths schools network, to young mathematicians all over the country."

#### **Sandy Rattray, Chief Investment Officer of Man Group, said:**

"King's Maths School plays an important role in helping exceptional mathematicians grow and sustain their interest in the subject, and we are delighted to be able to support the school's mission as it cultivates the pipeline of young talent in this area. Mathematics underpins much of the work we do at Man Group, particularly within our quantitative investment engines. As part of our *Paving the Way* campaign, this initiative is another step in our efforts to encourage the continued development of diversity in STEM subjects and careers, both within our industry and beyond."

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## About King's Maths School

King's College London Mathematics School is for highly motivated students aged 16-19 with a particular aptitude and enthusiasm for mathematics who wish to progress to competitive degrees and careers in which mathematics is applied. The school aims to widen participation in high quality mathematics teaching by recruiting students who would not otherwise have access to such teaching at sixth form level.

The school was opened in September 2014 by King's College London, which continues to provide oversight, in particular through the governance of the school. It is located on Lambeth Walk, near to the Imperial War Museum and a short walk from the King's Waterloo campus. The school has 140 students split between two year groups. King's College London Mathematics School aims to be a centre of excellence for the teaching and learning of mathematics, and each year works with over 500 students (aged 14-16) and 50 teachers through its substantive outreach programmes.

In 2017, King's College London Mathematics School attained the top A Level results in the country, was judged to be Outstanding in all areas and Outstanding overall by Ofsted, and won The Times Sixth Form of the Year award.

For more information regarding the school, please visit <https://www.kcl.ac.uk/mathsschool/home>.

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These engines house numerous investment teams, working collaboratively within the framework of Man Group, with a high degree of investment autonomy. Each team benefits from the strength and resources of the firm's single operating platform, enabling their primary focus to be seeking to generate alpha for clients. The teams invest across a diverse range of strategies and asset classes with highly specialised approaches, with long only and alternative strategies run on a discretionary and quantitative basis in single and multi-manager formats. Our clients are at the heart of everything we do and we engage in close dialogue with our investors as strategic partners, to understand their particular needs and constraints. Man Group's investment teams are empowered and supported by our institutional infrastructure and technology, which aims to facilitate the efficient exposure to markets and effective collaboration across the organisation.

Through the Man Charitable Trust, Man Group is committed to promoting literacy and numeracy on a global scale, and to supporting charitable causes more broadly.

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For more information about Man Group's commitment to diversity and inclusion, and its *Paving the Way* campaign, please visit [www.man.com/diversity](http://www.man.com/diversity).

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