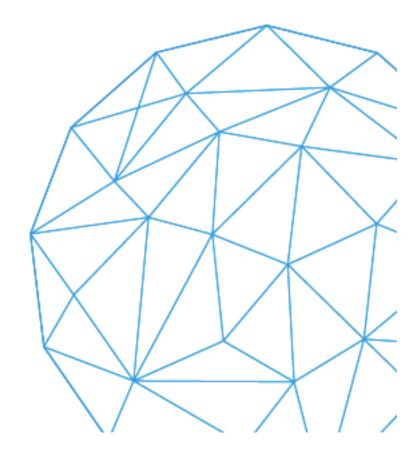
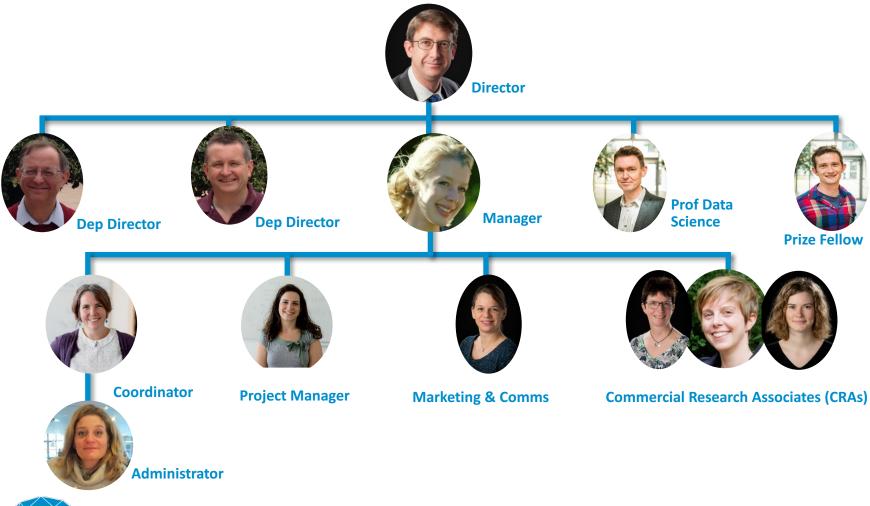
# Institute for Mathematical Innovation





## **Our People**







Aim: Stimulate more industrial and interdisciplinary maths

#### **Commercial RA Model**



#### Enabling short-to-medium term and/or part-time

- Commercial projects
- Interdisciplinary research projects







#### For consultancy:

 combine CRA time with academic time, typically 10:1 ratio



### **Innovation Pipeline (1)**







SAMBa ITTI





Interdisciplinary PhD











# Development of water treatment units





Global Challenges
Research Fund
pilot funding















#### **Innovation Pipeline (2)**



#### Chicken maths

Consultancy



Interdisciplinary PhD













Hen consumer opinions

Chicken beaks

Chicken sleep

















Backgrounds
Agri-food is an important industry, with the UK agri-food

supply chain contributing £ 97 bn to the economy in 2012. Major challenges face the sector: feeding a rising population, climate change and the need for sustainable intensification.

"Modern-day applied mathematics can be used with high impact on farm systems and precision agriculture. It provides excellent decision-support tools and brings a degree of rigour to the industry, which has often been lacking in the past. The agricultural industry has been relatively late in choosing to bring mathematics to bear on the processes involved" - Prof. Graeme Wake, Massey University, New Zealand, Mathematics in Agriculture KTN Workshop (2015).

Representatives from agri-food industry will present their problems on the first day. Researchers in mathematics, statistics, engineering, computer science and related areas will work together towards practical solutions, and first steps in approaching problems. Early career

academics, Ph.D students, and postdocs from the mathematical sciences are particularly welcome.

The Problems: The problems to be tackled by the Study Group attendees will be set by SMEs from the Agri-Food sector (from primary production to food processing). The problems (likely to be three) will be announced in due course.

Why Take Part?: Academics: Get new research questions. Expand research portfolio. Vital contacts with industry. Meet other academics from different fields. Industry: Get new solutions to problems. Access highly qualified individuals. Obtain a written summary report.

**Costs to Take Part:** We gratefully acknowledge the financial support from Innovate UK so there is no cost to SMEs to pose a problem. However, for all other participants there will be a nominal registration fee of £ 30 including accommodation and meals. Registration is open until 05.12.16.



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