

Natixis Investment Managers Announces UK Winners of its Global Equal Opportunities Advancement Scholarships

- Naceema Mohamed & Farouk Suleiman from Haringey Community Gold & The London Academy of Excellence Tottenham (LAET) have been selected for the UK based program, starting September 2021
- Recipients awarded £9250 annually towards university tuition, alongside internships & mentoring
- Similar programs are currently being implemented in Boston and Paris

London, 9 September 2021 - Natixis Investment Managers (Natixis IM), one of the world's largest asset managers, today announces the winners of its Global Equal Opportunities Advancement Scholarships, a program aimed at increasing the diversity of students entering the financial services industry in the UK. Two sixth form students have been selected to receive up to £9250 annually towards their university tuition and expenses, along with internship opportunities and mentoring at Natixis IM.

The new scholarship program is aligned with Natixis IM's 2024 strategic ambitions, to be a responsible employer and create a more diverse and inclusive workforce.

"The asset management industry acknowledges that more has to be done to open up financial services to a greater cross section of society and by doing so, create greater ethnic and racial inclusion", says Charlene Sagoe, International Head of Digital Marketing, Diversity & Inclusion, Natixis Investment Managers. "The Natixis scholarship program aligns with our 2024 strategic ambitions to attract and grow young talent, allowing individuals to benefit from the wide range of opportunities the financial services profession has to offer", Charlene added.

Naceema Mohamed and Farouk Suleiman from Haringey, both of whom studied at The London Academy of Excellence Tottenham, have been selected as winners of the inaugural Natixis Investment Managers Global Equal Opportunities Advancement Scholarships. Naceema has won a place at The London School of Economics (LSE) to read Maths, Statistics and Business and Farouk Suleiman plans on reading Economics and Management at Bristol University.

Naceema Mohamed, commented; "I'm so pleased that this scholarship will provide me with the opportunity to enter higher education without worrying about the financial strain it can place on an individual".

Farouk Suleiman added; "I really hope this program will help open doors and encourage more young people to think about entering university regardless of their ethnic or social background."

Launched in 2020, the Natixis Investment Managers Global Equal Opportunities Advancement scholarship program is part of the firm's long-standing commitment to support local communities and to reinforce its broader efforts to increase diversity in the financial services industry. The UK program is designed in partnership with Haringey Community Gold & The London Academy of Excellence Tottenham and provides students from one of the poorest boroughs in London in their pursuit of higher education studies and career development in business related studies. Similar programs are currently being implemented in Boston and Paris.

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