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To: 'all-staff@lists.strath.ac.uk'

Subject: [all-staff] Statement on the Outcome of the European Union Referendum

Sent on behalf of Professor Sir Jim McDonald, Principal and Vice-Chancellor

Dear Colleague

You will be aware of the outcome of the referendum and the decision to leave the EU. The will of the UK electorate must be respected. Leaving the EU will create significant challenges for universities and I want to reassure you that Strathclyde will be working closely with Universities UK and Universities Scotland to influence key decisions and future policy in the best interests of this University and our current and prospective students and staff.

Leaving the EU will not happen quickly. There will be a gradual exit process over several years with many opportunities for us to influence the final outcomes. Throughout the transition, our focus will be on securing an environment that allows our University to continue to be well funded, global in its outlook, internationally networked and an attractive destination for talented people from across Europe.

There will be many important issues that require clarification and we will do all that we can to keep you informed in the weeks and months ahead.

Please be assured that I, with the support of the Court, Senate and the Executive Team, will be doing all that I can to achieve the best outcomes for the University. Strathclyde is well placed to respond to the challenges that leaving the EU will bring and we will seek to position ourselves to maximise any opportunities that will arise as a consequence of the changed economic and political environment.

Best wishes

Jim

Professor Sir Jim McDonald

Principal and Vice-Chancellor