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Intech Appoints Preeminent Data Scientist, Peter Cotton, as Chief Data Scientist

Cotton to Intensify Data Science Efforts and Develop Crowdsourcing Program

West Palm Beach, FL - November 5, 2019 – Intech, an independently operated, specialized equity manager, today announced the firm has appointed Peter Cotton, Ph.D., as Chief Data Scientist to intensify its data science efforts and lead a project to develop a crowdsourcing platform, in collaboration with Intech’s investment team. Dr. Cotton will report to Adrian Banner, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer, and be located in the firm’s Princeton, New Jersey office.

Dr. Cotton is a preeminent data scientist with nearly 20 years of investment experience. Over the course of his career, he has developed multiple financial modeling patents and has become a leading authority on crowdsourcing strategy. Previously he was the Executive Director of Data Science at JPMorgan. Prior to JPMorgan, Dr. Cotton founded Benchmark Solutions, which pioneered large-scale financial data assimilation. He earned an undergraduate degree in physics and mathematics from the University of New South Wales and a Ph.D. in mathematics from Stanford University.

Dr. Cotton’s appointment builds upon Intech’s technology and data science heritage. Advances in computing and data helped give rise to Intech when, in the 1980s, Intech’s founder, Dr. E. Robert Fernholz, put stochastic portfolio theory to work by leasing supercomputing power from the John von Neumann Center at Princeton University. Continued advances in technology and data allow Intech to embrace emerging research paradigms, like machine learning and crowdsourcing, and build on the history set forth by the firm’s founder.

Crowdsourcing augments Intech’s research capabilities by inviting a global community of data science and machine-learning experts to offer their best answers to some of Intech’s research and development questions. Crowdsourced research will be ancillary to investment process research and Intech’s investment team will ensure any crowdsourced solutions meet our high research standards.

“We’re thrilled to have Peter’s talent to help bolster our data science effort and add a next-generation research platform – steps essential to staying ahead of today’s rapidly changing capital markets,” said Adrian Banner, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer at Intech. “Our hope is to inspire scientists, finance professionals, developers and students globally to collaborate on research projects that will benefit our clients.”

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