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COLLEGE NOTICE

SENIOR STAFF CHANGES: FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL OF THE FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES

Professor Donal Bradley FRS, Lee-Lucas Professor of Experimental Physics and Head of Department (since 2005), has been appointed Deputy Principal of the Faculty of Natural Sciences, in support of the newly appointed Principal, Professor Maggie Dallman. This appointment will take effect from January 1st 2009. Professor Bradley is an Imperial graduate and was brought back to the College in 2000, after extended periods at Cambridge and Sheffield Universities, to launch a new initiative in plastic electronics. He will continue to develop this multidisciplinary research theme within College as part of his new role. Professor Bradley's successor as Head of Physics will be announced in due course.

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT FOR MATHEMATICS

After five years, Professor John Elgin will be stepping down as Head of Department for Mathematics. His successor with effect from 1 September 2008 will be Professor Ari Laptev.

Professor Laptev's academic career began at Leningrad University where he took a PhD in 1978. In 1981 he began his association with the academic community in Sweden, working at the Universities of Stockholm and Linköping and, from 1992, at the Royal Institute of Technology (KTH) where he became a professor and Vice Chair of the Mathematics Department. He was President of the Swedish Mathematical Society from 2001 to 2003 and, from January 2007 when he joined Imperial College, was appointed President of the European Mathematical Society.

Rodney Eastwood
College Secretary