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Andrew Smith to step down as Chief Digital Officer

Nucleus Financial Platforms, one of the UK's leading, independent, adviser platform groups, has today announced that after a distinguished period of technical leadership and delivery, Andrew Smith is stepping down as Chief Digital Officer from the end of the year.

Richard Rowney, Nucleus Chief Executive Officer said: "Andrew has been a key part of Nucleus throughout its journey. He was one of the team that helped launch the wrap platform in 2006, playing a pivotal role by ensuring we focused on the needs of advisers in those early years. After rejoining in 2015, he's greatly contributed to the growth and transformation of the business, leading the development of our proposition through our investment in digital and technology.

"As part of my leadership team for the last two years, his support and contribution through the integration of Nucleus and James Hay has been invaluable. I would like to thank him for his commitment and leadership and wish him the very best for the future."

Andrew Smith, Nucleus Chief Digital Officer said: "I've spent much of my career at Nucleus so it's very much part of my DNA, but after a total of 13 years, I feel that now is the right time to look for a new challenge.

"I'm really proud of what we've achieved. From a start up in Edinburgh in 2006 to the scale business we are today, it's been a quite remarkable journey, not least as we've held onto our founding principle of serving the needs of advisers and delivering great customer outcomes. It's been a privilege working with such brilliant teams over the years and I look forward to watching the continued success of the company."

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The Nucleus Financial Platforms group offers investment platforms and products exclusively to financial advisers, that ultimately help make retirement more rewarding.

Renowned for its SIPP expertise, James Hay Partnership has been working with larger financial advisory groups for more than 40 years, providing the means to administer pensions, savings and investments in a cost and tax efficient way.

Our award-winning platform Nucleus was founded in 2006 by advisers committed to altering the balance of power in the industry by putting the customer centre stage.

Curtis Banks is one of the UK's largest administrators of SIPP and SSAS solutions for customers and businesses. It is one of Europe's largest commercial property landlords, a specialist area for self-invested pensions. The business maintains a focus on providing high levels of technical support, robust service, modern technology and innovation.

Together we're one of the UK's leading, independent, adviser platform and product groups, with approximately £80 billion in assets under administration, helping nearly 5,000 advisers make retirement more rewarding for almost 250,000 customers.

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