



**Professor Paul Palmer at Cass CCE receives first Higher Education Academy Principle Fellowship**

2 March 2016 – Paul Palmer, Professor of Voluntary Sector Management, Associate Dean for Ethics, Sustainability and Engagement at Cass Business School and Director of Cass Centre for Charity Effectiveness (Cass CCE) has been awarded the status of Principle Fellow at the Higher Education Academy, a national body that champions teaching quality.

Professor Palmer is the first person at Cass Business School to receive this prestigious award, which is presented to academics that are substantially engaged in education and have a wide-ranging academic or strategic leadership responsibility in connection with key aspects of teaching and learning.

The award was presented by the Higher Education Academy as a result of a submission, which it describes as being, ‘strong in terms of the innovative masters courses in Charity areas at Cass CCE and the embedding of ethics in the business. The Academy also noted that Professor Palmer has received both national and international recognition for his work.

The Principle Fellowship also demonstrates an alignment to the UK Professional Standards Framework (UKPSF)<sup>i</sup> – which brings a badge of assured quality to Cass CCE.

Commenting on his award, Professor Paul Palmer said:” I am delighted to receive this award. It is not only a great honour but it is important that voluntary sector academic excellence is being recognised, particularly at a time when funding for voluntary sector education is declining.

Charity leaders are facing unprecedented challenges and more than ever, they need access to professional development and support. Cass CCE is a leading institution for students to gain world class Masters Degrees and a hub for professional development for charity executives where they can access the latest thinking and academic research. The Principle Fellowship award further cements its credentials as a centre of excellence”.

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**Notes to Editors:**

The **Centre for Charity Effectiveness at Cass** (Cass CCE) is the leading nonprofit and philanthropy centre in the UK. Through a blend of academic teaching, consultancy and professional development courses, it has delivered positive transformation and has significantly enhanced the performance of hundreds of organisations and thousands of individuals across the nonprofit sector.

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<sup>i</sup> <https://www.heacademy.ac.uk/recognition-accreditation/hea-fellowships>