Refinitiv to become official data analytics partner to top-flight English rugby union club Harlequins

Three-year commercial agreement centres on the role of data in delivering insight and driving performance

[September 04, 2019]: Refinitiv is pleased to announce that it has been selected as the official data analytics partner to leading Gallagher Premiership Rugby club, Harlequins.

Under the three-year commercial agreement with Harlequins, Refinitiv will provide access to its team of data scientists and technologists to help support the development of the Club’s own capabilities and provide an opportunity for further collaboration between the two organisations.

In addition, Refinitiv will use its expertise in data visualisation to present the Club’s weekly post-match ‘stats pack’ to be made available to supporters online at: www.quins.co.uk.

“Our commercial partnership with Harlequins is about supporting their efforts to harness the power of data to uncover insight and empower the highest performance,” said David Craig, CEO of Refinitiv. “As experts in extracting insight from massive amounts of data, Refinitiv is excited about this partnership and the opportunity it presents to share our expertise with the Harlequins.”

“We’re delighted to have Refinitiv join the Harlequins family of partners as our official Data Analytics Partner,” said David Ellis, Chief Executive of Harlequins. “Data plays a crucial role in driving performance and outcomes in rugby and throughout the sporting landscape. We are looking forward to the support of Refinitiv as we continue to grow and innovate in this area, applying data in a more sophisticated way, which is hugely important across the Club for analysis and insight from the back office all the way to the field.”

Both Harlequins and Refinitiv share a bold ambition to be the best in the world at what they do. This ambition is reflected in the talent to be found at both organisations and the partnership will foster stronger
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collaboration between these individuals. Harlequins' players will offer inspiration and energy to Refinitiv, providing new perspectives on performance and team work, while Refinitiv's data scientists and experts will help Harlequins grow both as a team and as a sustainable business.

The Harlequin Football Club is based in London and was founded in 1866. The Club's home is at The Twickenham Stoop stadium and the Club plays in the top level of English rugby; Gallagher Premiership Rugby. The Club's influence extends internationally via a network of affiliate clubs around the world, including Harlequins Pretoria, Kenya Harlequins, Harlequins Melbourne and Dallas Harlequins among others. In August 2017, Harlequins formally launched its women and girls programme. In doing so, the Club reaffirmed its commitment to growing and developing the women's game by creating a pathway from grassroots to elite international rugby.

Refinitiv provides information, insights and technology that drive innovation and performance in global financial markets. The company’s heritage and integrity enable its customers to make critical decisions with confidence while its best-in-class data and cutting-edge technologies enable greater opportunity.

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