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Two additions to the Polar Capital Technology team

Polar Capital, the specialist active asset management group, has hired Nick Williams and Alastair Unwin to strengthen its industry leading Technology team, both joining in June.

Nick Williams joined on 1 June 2019 as an investment analyst and will be working alongside Xuesong Zhao, lead manager of the Polar Capital Automation & Artificial Intelligence (A&AI) Fund. He joins after three and a half years at Neptune Investment Management working on the US investment team.

Alastair Unwin joined on 26 June and will be working as a senior investment analyst for Ben Rogoff and Nick Evans who jointly run the Polar Capital Technology team. Ali joins from Arbrook Investors where he was a co-portfolio manager on the American Equities Fund, before which he was manager of the Neptune Global Technology Fund.

lain Evans, Head of Sales at Polar Capital, says: "Technology has been at the core of Polar Capital since our launch in 2001. It is an exciting time to be expanding what is already one of the largest and most successful technology teams globally."

Ben Rogoff, Partner at Polar Capital, says: "We are delighted to welcome both Nick and Ali. This takes our team to nine dedicated professionals reflecting both the investment opportunities created by an accelerated pace of technology adoption, as well as the need to stay on top of deepening disruption as myriad industries are transformed by cloud computing, artificial intelligence and demographic change."

Nick Evans, Partner at Polar Capital added: "Nick represents our first dedicated hire for our recently launched A&AI Fund, which looks within and beyond the traditional technology sector for investment opportunities. Ali is an experienced technology investor and joins as a senior analyst working alongside Fatima Iu, Xuesong Zhao, Chris Wittstock and the rest of the team on our two core Technology Funds."

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¹At 31 May 2019; source: Lipper, Polar Capital Japan Value Class S JPY Inc Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns