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## Charles Nicklin CEng MIAgrE has become the new CEO of the Institution of Agricultural Engineers (IAgrE)

Charlie Nicklin joins IAgrE after 24 years with JCB in design and manufacture. A Chartered Engineer, Charlie has held various senior leadership roles at JCB which included Chief Engineer for backhoe loaders and the Fastrac tractor range and Engineering Lead for Loadall products.

He grew up on a farm and from an early age had a fascination with all things mechanical. He studied Agricultural Engineering at both Reaseheath College and Harper Adams University and gained early experience working for a local Massey Ferguson dealership.

With first-hand experience of Further and Higher Education and both the dealer and manufacturing side of the industry Charlie is ideally placed for his new position. He has amassed a great deal of experience in managing change, whether focussed on product line strategy or departmental performance transformation.

Charlie comments "I believe IAgrE has a key role to play in promoting the industry, ensuring visibility of the range of roles' and showcasing how exciting and fulfilling it is to work in them. My experience in senior positions in a highly competitive global business, coupled with first-hand knowledge of technician-based route into engineering has given me a well-rounded knowledge of our industry."

IAgrE President Paul Hemingway says, "We are delighted to welcome Charlie to the team. It is an exciting time to be leading the Institution. With an expanding world population and increasing demand for more efficient yet sustainable food production systems there has never been a greater need for inventive, professional, land-based engineers and a professional Institution to support and represent them."

"I am truly excited about working in a new environment and very happy to remain in the industry I am passionate about," Charlie added.

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