



## Ian Mason

### Head of Development, Virgin Start Up

Ian is an economist, author and entrepreneur. He is the founder of an education company, providing physical and digital learning resources to schools across the UK and globally. Ian was instrumental in the creation and development of Virgin Start Up, the Sir Richard Branson's not-for-profit company for entrepreneurs. More recently, Ian was appointed Leader of the United Kingdom's delegation to the Y20 Summit, thus representing the views of young people in the UK to the G20 World Leaders at their annual summit and has subsequently co-founded the Future Leaders Network, an organisation that seeks and develops the business, academic and political leaders of the future.

Ian campaigns on a number of key issues, including the universal right to education, enhancing social mobility through entrepreneurship and improving levels of financial literacy.

In his leisure time, Ian enjoys playing football, motorsport, shooting, ballroom dancing, running and listening to jazz/swing music. He is a member of MENSA and avid supporter of Aston Villa Football Club.

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