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**Prof. Dr. Sir John O'Reilly (Chairman)**



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Sir John O'Reilly is a visiting Professor at University College London and Chairman of the Science and Engineering Research Council within the Agency for Science Technology and Research (A\*STAR) in Singapore, positions he holds contemporaneously with a number of advisory and executive roles both in the UK and internationally relating to research and higher education.

Sir John O'Reilly was Chief Executive of the UK's Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (2001-2006) and the Vice-Chancellor of Cranfield University (2006-2013). He has served as Director General of Knowledge and Innovation for the UK government within the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (2013-2015) with policy and funding responsibility for higher education (in England) and for research and innovation throughout the UK. He has held academic appointments at Essex, Bangor and University College London. He is also Chairman of ERA Foundation Ltd, Chairman of UK's Network Interoperability Consultative Committee (NICC (Standards) Ltd), and a commissioner of the Royal Commission for the Exhibition of 1851.

Sir John O'Reilly is a Fellow and former member of council of the Royal Academy of Engineering, Honorary Fellow and former President of the Institution of Engineering and Technology, Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Chemical Engineers, a Fellow and member of the Board of Trustees of the Royal Aeronautical Society, an International Member of Académie Hassan II des Sciences et Techniques, Morocco and an International Member of Academia das Ciências de Lisboa.

Internationally, he has served on the Board of Khalifa University of Science, Technology and Research (KUSTAR) in UAE, chairs the External Review Committee for the Carnegie-Mellon Portugal Program in ICT.

He received the J. J. Thompson medal of the Institution of Electrical Engineers (IEE) for his contributions to Electronic Engineering (2004) and a Knighthood (2007) for his contributions to science.