

The Stationers' Company's Annual Lecture to be delivered by Simon Fox, CEO of Reach Plc

The Stationers' Company is delighted that Simon Fox, CEO of Reach Plc, has agreed to deliver the Stationers' Annual Lecture at Stationers' Hall on Monday, 25 March 2019.

Mr Fox, who in 1989 founded office supplies retailer Office World, went on to work for Kingfisher and HMV before taking the CEO's role at Trinity Mirror which rebranded as Reach Plc in 2018. Reach Plc is the UK's largest commercial news publisher across over 100 print and digital brands including Daily Mirror, Daily Express, Daily Star, OK! magazine and regional titles.

Mr Fox will touch on the state of the news industry; the need for digital transformation but also the enduring power and influence of print. His principal message will be that the need for high-quality professional journalism has never been greater.

Bookings to attend can be made via the events section of the Stationers' website on <u>www.stationers.org</u> or by calling Lucie McCord on 020 7246 0982.

The Stationers' Annual Lecture has been delivered by senior figures in the Communications and Content industry since 1957. Previous lecturers have included Lord Puttnam, Jonathan Porritt, Gail Rebuck and Libby Purves.

For further information please contact: Deborah Rea on 020 7246 0988.

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About The Stationers' Company

The Stationers' Company is the City of London Livery Company for the Communications and Content industries. The Company's mission is to be the most effective independent forum in the UK Communications and Content industries, actively contributing to the strategic development, success and education of these industries. The majority of its members work in or supply the paper, print, publishing, packaging, office products, newspaper, broadcasting, and online media industries. See www.stationers.org

About Reach plc

Reach plc are the UK's largest news publisher in the UK, with national and regional news brands and online outlets including the Mirror, Express, Star, Ok!, New!, Daily Record, Manchester Evening News, Birmingham Live, Bristol Live, Liverpool Echo, and other leading regional brands.

Last year the company sold 540 million newspapers, and has a network of over 70 websites, viewed by 110m unique browsers every month – a bigger online monthly audience than competitors including Mail Online and News UK. For more information visit reachplc.com