

SIR JEREMY DARROCH

Major Career Roles

Chair, Sky plc
Group CEO, Sky plc
Chair, Reckitt Benckiser Group plc
Independent Director, Walt Disney Co.
Senior Independent Director, Burberry Group plc
Chair, Business in the Community

Other Career Highlights

Non-Executive Director, Youth Sport Trust
Council member, National Centre for Universities & Business
Non-Executive Director, Marks & Spencer Group plc
Governor, Bradford Technical College
Chair, National Oceanography Centre

Sir Jeremy Darroch is recognised as a leader in steering complex organisations through digital transformation, international expansion and sustained commercial growth. He currently serves as the Chair of Reckitt Benckiser, is a Non-Executive Director of The Walt Disney Company and an Executive Adviser to KKR.

Sir Jeremy is best known for his tenure as Group CEO of Sky plc (2007-2021), where he transformed the company from a satellite broadcaster into Europe's leading direct-to-consumer media and entertainment business. Under his leadership, Sky entered new markets including broadband, mobile and original content, and was ultimately acquired by Comcast in 2018 in a landmark £30bn deal – one of the most significant media transactions in European history.

Before Sky, he served as Group Finance Director of DSG International (now Currys plc) and began his career at Procter & Gamble (1988-1999), where he held a range of senior commercial and financial roles in the UK and Europe.

He has also previously served as Senior Independent Director at Burberry and as a Non-Executive Director at Marks & Spencer.

He brings deep cross-sector expertise in:

• Media & consumer technology – scaling digital platforms, subscription models and original content strategy.

• Corporate strategy & M&A – leading transformative transactions and cross-border integrations.

• Consumer goods & retail – driving operational alignment and commercial innovation in fast-moving sectors.

• Private equity & governance – advising institutional investors and serving on boards of global public companies.

Knighted in 2023 for services to business, the economy and charity, Sir Jeremy is recognised for his values-led leadership and ability to navigate long-range strategic complexity. He is deeply committed to identifying and developing talent. His thoughtful, people-centred approach consistently brings out the best in those around him, creating lasting value through empowered leadership. He invests deeply in understanding individuals, helping them unlock their unique strengths and grow into impactful leaders.