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## **Reappointment of V&A Trustee**

The Prime Minister has reappointed Steve McGuckin as a Trustee of the Victoria & Albert Museum (V&A), for the four years commencing 15 September 2012.

### **Biographical details**

Steve McGuckin is a Chartered Architect and Surveyor. He joined global programme management consultants Turner and Townsend plc in April 2009 and was appointed UK Managing Director in 2010. He began his career with architectural practice Grimshaw, thereafter was Director of Consulting at Mace Group, before joining Land Securities plc as Development Director.

Steve is a development and project management specialist in the infrastructure and property sectors. His experience includes projects such as Waterloo International Eurostar Terminal, Terminal 5 at Heathrow, The London Eye, 20 Fenchurch St (The Walkie Talkie), The Great Court at The British Museum and currently, Crossrail and The Shard. Steve has been an advisor to the Natural History Museum (Darwin Centre Phase II Project) and a member of the CABE 2012 Olympics Panel.

### **Background**

The V&A's mission statement is 'To be the world's leading museum of art and design; enriching people's lives by promoting knowledge, understanding and enjoyment of the designed world.' The V&A is sponsored by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS), and is a charity exempt from registration under the Charities Act of 1993. It operates at arm's length from the Government and is governed by a board of Trustees appointed by the Prime Minister.

Trustees of the V&A are unremunerated, but reasonable expenses are reimbursed.

All appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in selection or reappointment processes. In accordance with the original Nolan recommendations, there is a requirement for political activity in the United Kingdom in the past five years to be made public. Mr McGuckin has declared no political activity.