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MEAA to begin search for new Chief Executive

The Media, Entertainment & Arts Alliance will shortly begin a search for a new Chief Executive to replace Paul Murphy who has advised the MEAA Board that he will not be seeking to renew his contract when it expires in February next year.

Mr Murphy, who was appointed Chief Executive 2015, has committed to continue in the position as long as necessary to ensure a smooth and orderly transition for his replacement.

Mr Murphy said the time was right for him to move on after 10 years in senior roles with the MEAA, beginning as Director of the Media section and then the past seven years as the union's inaugural Chief Executive.

"It has been an absolute honour to have the chance to serve in these roles in the union I have been a member of for more than three decades," he said.

"But the time is right for me to seek a new challenge.

"I look forward to working with my successor to ensure a smooth transition."

MEAA Federal President Simon Collins paid tribute to Mr Murphy's work for the union.

"Paul has guided the union during the most difficult two years in its history as the media, arts and entertainment industries were devastated by COVID-19," Mr Collins said.

"It is a testament to the calm and strategic leadership that he has shown throughout his time as Chief Executive that MEAA has successfully weathered this crisis and is well-placed to grow in influence and strength.

"We thank Paul for his hard work and integrity as Chief Executive and wish him the best for the future."

Mr Collins said the union would begin advertising for the position soon.

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