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Sir John O'Reilly took up the position of Vice-Chancellor of Cranfield University in December 2006. From 2001 to 2006 Professor O'Reilly was Chief Executive of the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC), the UK's main funding agency for research and associated postgraduate training in these areas. Prior to that, he held various academic and industrial research appointments. He was Chair of Telecommunications and Head of the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering at University College London, Head of the School of Electronic Engineering and Computer Systems in the University of Wales, Bangor and Senior Lecturer in Telecommunications at the University of Essex. His industrial research experience includes periods with the Royal Radar Establishment, Ultra Electronics Ltd., the Post Office Research Centre and BT Research Laboratories. He was Chief Executive and Deputy Chairman of IDB Ltd from 1985-1994 and is currently non-executive Chairman of CAST Ltd.

A Fellow and former member of Council of the Royal Academy of Engineering, he is active in and on behalf of the engineering profession. He is a former President of EUREL, the Confederation of European Professional Electrical Societies and in 2004-05 served as President of the Institution of Electrical Engineers (now the Institution of Energy and Technology (IET)).

Technical interests focus on Information and Communication Technologies, with an emphasis on communication networks and applications: publications include many research journal and conference papers and three books on telecommunications. He was awarded the J. J. Thompson Medal of the IEE for 'distinguished contributions to electronic engineering'. He serves as a specialist advisor to the UK Government and the European Commission, and currently chairs the UK's Network Interoperability Consultative Committee (NICC) for Ofcom and the telecommunications industry.

In the 2007 New Year Honours list, Professor O'Reilly was awarded a knighthood for contributions to science.