



## Sony appoints new PlayStation leaders after Jim Ryan's retirement

### Description

Sony has made a significant move by appointing co-CEOs to lead its PlayStation business starting from June 1st. Hermen Hulst, currently serving as PlayStation studios chief, will be appointed as CEO of Sony Interactive Entertainment's (SIE) studio business group, while Hideaki Nishino will take on the role of CEO of SIE's platform business group. Both Hulst and Nishino will report to Sony CFO and SIE chairman Hiroki Totoki.

This decision to have co-CEOs comes shortly after the retirement of former PlayStation boss Jim Ryan. Totoki, who was serving as interim SIE CEO, had been looking for a successor, but Sony ultimately decided to split the responsibilities for leading the PlayStation business into platform and games categories. Both Nishino and Hulst bring a wealth of experience to their new roles, with Nishino having served in various capacities at Sony for over two decades.

This marks the first time Sony has appointed co-CEOs to run its PlayStation business, reflecting the current challenges facing the gaming industry. Recent layoffs at Sony and Microsoft have underscored the turbulence in the sector. Sony's announcement of new PlayStation leaders also precedes its latest earnings report, where all eyes will be on the performance of the PS5 console and potential insights into Sony's PlayStation PC plans.

During an earlier earnings call, Hiroki Totoki discussed the potential for growth by expanding PlayStation games to PC and other platforms. The synergy between console and multiplatform releases could be advantageous for Sony's first-party content and overall profitability.

Overall, Sony's strategic leadership shifts and focus on multiplatform growth indicate a dynamic period ahead for the PlayStation business. With Hulst and Nishino at the helm, the company is poised to navigate the evolving landscape of the gaming industry successfully.

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## Vocabulary List:

1. **Appointment** // (noun): The action of assigning a job or role to someone.
2. **Successor** // (noun): A person who succeeds another in an office or position.
3. **Wealth** // (noun): An abundance of valuable possessions or money.
4. **Reflecting** // (verb): Think deeply or carefully about something.
5. **Turbulence** // (noun): Conflict or confusion.
6. **Advantageous** // (adjective): Beneficial or favorable.

## Vocabulary quizzes

**Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )**

1. What do we call a planet that orbits a star outside of our solar system?

Option: Exoplanet

Option: Moon

Option: Asteroid

Option: Comet

2. Which term describes a planet that is capable of supporting life?

Option: Barren

Option: Habitable

Option: Toxic

Option: Frozen

3. Which type of light has longer wavelengths than visible light?



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- Option: Ultraviolet  
Option: Infrared  
Option: X-ray  
Option: Gamma-ray
4. What term is used to describe substances that easily change from a solid or liquid state to a vapor?  
Option: Volatile  
Option: Stable  
Option: Inert  
Option: Solid
5. What is the process of breaking something into smaller pieces or parts called?  
Option: Aggregation  
Option: Dissolution  
Option: Fragmentation  
Option: Growth
6. Who is a person who comes after another in a position or office?  
Option: Predecessor  
Option: Leader  
Option: Heir  
Option: Successor
7. What term describes the process of light bouncing off a surface?  
Option: Absorbing  
Option: Reflecting  
Option: Scattering  
Option: Transmitting
8. Which term describes chaotic or unstable airflow?  
Option: Calm  
Option: Turbulence  
Option: Serenity  
Option: Stability
9. What is the quality of being delicate or easily broken?  
Option: Strength  
Option: Fragility  
Option: Resilience  
Option: Robustness
10. Which term refers to a large amount of money possessions or assets?  
Option: Poverty



- Option: Wealth
- Option: Moderation
- Option: Scarcity

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. The warm glow of the fireplace was \_\_\_\_\_ a comforting heat on the chilly evening.
12. I have an \_\_\_\_\_ with my dentist tomorrow for a check-up.
13. It is essential to develop \_\_\_\_\_ practices to protect the environment for future generations.
14. The artist's painting featured an \_\_\_\_\_ design with detailed patterns.
15. There are \_\_\_\_\_ changes coming to the company but nothing has been confirmed yet.
16. The delicious smell of freshly baked bread was \_\_\_\_\_ from the bakery down the street.
17. The weather forecast is \_\_\_\_\_ us about possible heavy rain and thunderstorms tonight.
18. Her \_\_\_\_\_ from the company left a noticeable gap in the team.
19. Learning multiple languages can be \_\_\_\_\_ for travel and career opportunities.
20. The king's palace was a symbol of his immense \_\_\_\_\_ and power.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

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| 21. The scientist used a powerful microscope to study the tiny organisms in the water sample.    |
| 22. The independent organization acts as a to ensure government transparency and accountability. |



23. The new luxury car model exudes elegance and modern in its design.
24. The group of environmental activists were passionate for conservation and climate protection.
25. Due to the company's expansion the headquarters were to a larger building.
26. Graduating from college was a significant in her academic journey.
27. The historical museum showcases artifacts from the time of the Roman of Britain.
28. The photo album was filled with of family vacations and special occasions.
29. The research team tested the new drug before it was approved for human trials.
30. The aroma of freshly baked cookies was of her grandmother's kitchen.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Exoplanet 2. Habitable 3. Infrared 4. Volatile 5. Fragmentation 6. Successor 7. Reflecting 8. Turbulence 9. Fragility 10. Wealth

**Gap-Fill:** 11. emanating 12. appointment 13. sustainable 14. intricate 15. rumored 16. enamating 17. cautioning 18. departure 19. advantageous 20. wealth

**Matching sentence:** 1. microscopy 2. watchdog 3. sophistication 4. campaigners 5. relocated 6. milestone 7. invasion 8. snapshot 9. rigorously 10. reminiscent

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