

Message sent on behalf of Garry Linnell, Editorial Director, Metro Media

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Paul Ramadge, Editor-in-Chief of The Age since 2008, will step down from the role and leave the company early next month after 16 years at Fairfax.

Under Paul's leadership, The Age has won many major awards for journalism, ramped up its reputation for hard-hitting investigations and exclusive news and the team has produced outstanding coverage. We now have more progressive Saturday and Sunday newspapers, stronger coverage of the higher education sector, a broader spread of voices on the opinion pages and online, and a newsroom of journalists well equipped for print, digital and broadcast work.

We wish Paul all the best for the future.

Two key editorial appointments for The Age will be announced tomorrow.

From Jack Matthews, Metro Media CEO:

Paul has been an exemplary leader of The Age and his achievements during his four year term as editor underline this. The paper has become synonymous with great investigative reporting and, at a time of enormous change, he has been a consistent and robust defender of press freedom and the right of the public to know how decisions are made and how they will affect them. We wish him all the best for the future.

From Greg Hywood, Fairfax Media CEO:

Paul has shown the way for The Age during a period of great upheaval in the industry. His unwavering commitment to investigative journalism and breaking news has set The Age apart during his tenure. He can feel proud.

Garry Linnell  
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