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### **Emmott bows out at The Economist**

**Bill Emmott**, the editor of The Economist, is to step down after more than 13 years at the helm of the weekly current affairs magazine.

Mr Emmott, who has been at the magazine for more than 20 years, said he was retiring to concentrate on writing books. He became editor in 1993, and during his time in charge the magazine doubled its circulation to more than 1m worldwide.

More than half its sales now come from the US, with more than 150,000 in the UK. The Economist is 50 per cent owned by Pearson, which also owns the Financial Times.

A selection process for Mr Emmott's successor will be led by Sir Robert Wilson, chairman of the magazine's board, with the final approval from the group's trustees. The Economist said it hoped to announce a new editor by March 21.

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