

TONY HAYWARD



CEO of BP (2007-2010)

Anthony B. "Tony" Hayward was CEO of BP in 2007-10. His career with BP spanned almost two decades.

Tony studied geology at Aston University in Birmingham and received his PhD in the same subject at Edinburgh University. In 1982, shortly after graduation, British Petroleum recruited Tony to become a rig geologist, where he worked on an offshore oil rig in Aberdeen, Scotland. He was later chosen to be an Executive Assistant in the Exploration and Production division. In 1992, he moved to Colombia as exploration manager, and became president of BP's operations in Venezuela three years later. He held a series of technical and commercial roles in Europe, Asia and South America of BP and became chief executive of BP's Exploration and Production division in January 2003, taking Lord Browne's position after the Lord became the company's CEO. Tony became CEO in May 2007 after Lord Browne's resignation.

He stepped down from his position after one of the largest environmental catastrophes in history, the explosion of BP's Deepwater Horizon oil rig, off the coast of Mississippi, which killed 11 people and spilled more than 92 million gallons of oil into the Gulf and what BP experienced as a \$17 billion business loss.

In 2011, Hayward has returned to the oil business and founded the Genel Energy to produce oil in the Kurdish north of Iraq. From 2013 to 2021, he was Chairman of the Swiss commodities giant Glencore, where he also was member of the Environment and Health Committee. Tony Hayward works as a consultant, among others at the US financial firm AEA Investors and the London investment bank Numis Securities. He has been CEO of Energy Transition Partners since 2021.

Tony is a Member of the Business Council of Britain, a Member of MIT Energy Advisory Board, a Trustee of the Emirates Foundation and a Member of Tsinghua Advisory Board. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and holds honorary doctorates from the University of Edinburgh, Aston University and the University of Birmingham.

Topics (Selection):

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