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## Publications

Raising Venture Capital

# Rupert Pearce

National Armaments Director  
London, England, United Kingdom

## Summary

The UK's National Armaments Director, leading the NAD Group within the Ministry Of Defence and forming a member of the Quad senior leadership team in MOD.

Tech company CEO, and entrepreneurial ambassador who understands the intricacies and challenges of transformation, having led high-growth global technology companies through monumental transitions and heightened their ability to change the world. Chairman of SAAS platform providers Quvia and VitriFi, CEO of long duration energy storage pioneer Highview Power, and CEO of Inmarsat plc for nearly a decade, taking it into the FTSE 100. Venture Partner at leading communications infrastructure investor Columbia Capital and previously a partner in transatlantic technology VC Atlas Venture. Partner in magic circle legal firm Linklaters. Commissioner on the UN Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development. Member of the Board of the Smart Africa Alliance. Co-author of "Raising Venture Capital." Keen sportsman. Proud father and grandfather.

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## Experience

UK Ministry of Defence  
National Armaments Director  
October 2025 - Present (3 months)

Quvia  
Chairman  
April 2023 - December 2025 (2 years 9 months)  
Miami, FL

Columbia Capital  
Venture Partner  
July 2021 - December 2025 (4 years 6 months)

Vitrifi

Chairman

June 2024 - November 2025 (1 year 6 months)

Greater London

Highview Power

CEO

February 2022 - April 2023 (1 year 3 months)

London, England, United Kingdom

Inmarsat

16 years 3 months

CEO

January 2012 - March 2021 (9 years 3 months)

Senior Vice President, Enterprise

January 2009 - December 2011 (3 years)

London, United Kingdom

Group General Counsel

January 2005 - November 2009 (4 years 11 months)

London, United Kingdom

Smart Cities Initiative for Africa

Member of Steering Committee

March 2016 - February 2021 (5 years)

London, United Kingdom

Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development

Commissioner

February 2016 - February 2021 (5 years 1 month)

London, United Kingdom

ESOA

Board Member & Chairman

June 2015 - February 2021 (5 years 9 months)

London, United Kingdom

techUK

Board Member

March 2016 - March 2018 (2 years 1 month)

Atlas Venture

Partner

January 2000 - December 2004 (5 years)

London, United Kingdom

Linklaters

Equity Partner

January 1986 - December 1999 (14 years)

London, United Kingdom

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## Education

University of Oxford

Master of Arts (M.A.), Modern History · (1985 - 1986)

University of Oxford

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), History · (1982 - 1985)

Georgetown University Law Center

Fullbright Fellowship, U.S. Securities Law