

Ex-Skype CEO, marketing officer out at Microsoft

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Microsoft says former Skype CEO Tony Bates and Chief Marketing Officer Tami Reller are leaving the company.

New CEO Satya Nadella announced the news in a blog post Monday. It's his first big move since he took over from outgoing CEO Steve Ballmer last month.

Chris Capossela was promoted to executive vice president and chief marketing officer, while executive vice president of advertising and strategy Mark Penn was named chief strategy officer.

Nadella says in the post that the [company](#) needs to "drive clarity, alignment and intensity across all our work."

He said Microsoft's goal is to work in harmony like a team of rowers, citing a passage from "The Boys in the Boat," a book about the 1936 U.S. men's Olympic gold medalist eight-oar rowing team.

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