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## **American Geographical Society Announces New Editor for Geographical Review**

*Description: The American Geographical Society announced the selection of Dr. David H. Kaplan of Kent State University as the new editor of its flagship journal, Geographical Review.*

[New York City, NY] – [April 17, 2015] -- The American Geographical Society (AGS) announced today the appointment of Dr. David H. Kaplan as the new Editor of *Geographical Review* (GR). The appointment is effective with the release of Volume 106, Number 1 scheduled to be published in January 2016. Dr. Kaplan is an expert in geographic manifestations of ethnic identity and his research on urban segregation patterns in cities around the world and on national identities has been published extensively. He is a highly recognized authority on the consequences of global urbanization, mortgage lending, urban planning and design and sustainable transportation issues. He has served as the editor of *National Identities* and was the LaCoste Chair of Geopolitics at the University of Paris in 2011 and the Carroll Professor of Geography at the University of Oregon in 2014. Dr. Kaplan has published extensively in scholarly journals and has been quoted regularly by national and international media.

*Geographical Review* is the flagship publication of the American Geographical Society. Since 1916, GR has reported the leading research focused on geography and related disciplines. Considered to be among one of the most prestigious journals in the field of geography, GR replaced the original *Bulletin of the American Geographical Society* which had been the Western Hemisphere's leading geographic journal in the mid to late 1800s. Today, GR continues to serve as one of the most respected American scholarly journals.

"Geography, especially the explosion of geo-spatial technology, affects virtually every aspect of our lives and it is critical that AGS continue its leadership in reporting the latest work in georelated research" said, Dr. John Konarski III, AGS Executive Director. "The selection of someone with the background, enthusiasm and high recognition of Dr. Kaplan to lead GR in to the next few years, shows that AGS is committed to maintaining our commitment to excellence" added Dr. Konarski.

"It is an honor for me to be selected to be the editor of GR...I have long thought that this is the best journal in geography and one of the few that speak across geography's sub-disciplines" said Dr. David Kaplan. "In the future, I promise to ensure decisions on manuscripts are made rapidly and rigorously, that accepted manuscripts are published online in a matter of weeks, and that all articles in the GR are promoted to both academic and lay audiences...GR is poised to become the most exciting and innovative journal in the field," added Dr. Kaplan.

Established in 1851, the American Geographical Society is the oldest professional geographical organization in the United States. It is recognized worldwide as a pioneer in geographical research and education in geography for over 163 years. The mission of AGS is to advance geographic knowledge and the recognition of its importance in the contemporary world. AGS promotes the use of geography in business, government, science, and education with a goal to enhance the nation's geographic literacy so as to engender sound public policy, national security, and human well-being worldwide. AGS is the only organization focused on bringing together academics, business people, those who influence public policy (including leaders in local, state and federal government, not-for-profit organizations and the media), and the general public for the express purpose of furthering the understanding of the role of geography in our lives. AGS provides leadership to frame the national discussion of the growing importance of geography and geospatial tools. The Society maintains its headquarters in Brooklyn Heights, New York.



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