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AGS Councilor, Dr. David Kaplan, Elected Vice President of AAG

Description: The American Geographical Society (AGS) announced the election of AGS Councilor, Dr. David Kaplan, as Vice President of the American Association of Geographers (AAG) for 2018-2019.

[New York City, NY] - [March 12, 2018] - Dr. David Kaplan, AGS Councilor and Editor of the Society’s flagship Geographical Review journal, has been elected Vice President of the American Association of Geographers (AAG) for 2018-2019. Dr. Kaplan will automatically be elected as President for the 2019-2020 term, to be followed by another term as Past President in 2020-2021. Dr. Kaplan will succeed Dr. Sheryl Luzzadder-Beach of the University of Texas-Austin.

Dr. Kaplan is a Professor of Geography at Kent State University, where he has taught since 1995. He has written about 60 peer-reviewed articles and chapters, and has published several books. Dr. Kaplan’s research interests include nationalism, borderlands, ethnic and racial segregation, urban and regional development, housing finance, and sustainable transportation.

Dr. John Konarski, Chief Executive Officer of AGS noted that, “We are very proud that David is continuing a long tradition of AAG officers also serving as councilors in the AGS. We congratulate David on his election and look forward to working with him even more closely now that he is in this leadership position.” With regard to his newly appointed position, Dr. Kaplan stated, “My election provides a wonderful opportunity to forge closer relations between the two great American Geography associations: the AGS and the AAG. I look forward to looking for ways in which we can complement one another.”

The American Geographical Society (AGS) is a 21st century learning society dedicated to the advancement of geographic thinking, knowledge, and understanding across business, government, academe, social sectors, and most importantly with teachers and students. Established in 1851, AGS is the oldest professional geographical organization in the United States. It is recognized worldwide as a pioneer in geographical research and education for over 166 years. The mission of AGS is to advance and promote geography in business, government, science, and education. Our goal is to enhance the nation’s geographic literacy so as to engender sound public policy, national security, and human well-being worldwide. AGS seeks to engage the American public, from its youngest to its oldest citizens, with new and amazing ways to understand and characterize our changing world. The Society maintains its headquarters in New York City.

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