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**Speaker Biographies**

**Teresa Domzal**, PhD, is the Chief Strategy Officer for the National Counterintelligence and Security Center in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence where her primary focus is on understanding malign foreign influence, and academic partnerships. Within the Intelligence Community, she has held positions at the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Central Intelligence Agency, and served as a senior analyst at the Department of Treasury. Prior to joining the Intelligence Community, she had a twenty-year academic career and concurrently consulted with several multinational corporations on global market analysis, consumer research, and strategic planning.

**Kent Fuchs**, PhD, M Div, became the 12<sup>th</sup> President of the University of Florida in January 2015. Building on many years of excellence and focused leadership, the university has reached its goal of joining the nation's top-ten public research universities.

Previous to the UF presidency, Fuchs was provost of Cornell University. He has served in academic leadership positions and as a faculty member of electrical and computer engineering at Cornell, Purdue and the University of Illinois. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and the Association for Computing Machinery, and has received numerous awards for teaching and research.

Fuchs earned his doctorate in electrical and computer engineering from the University of Illinois, and a master of divinity from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

**Derrick Franklin** is currently Acting Chief of Investigative Operations with the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG); overseeing a variety of programs, including international operations, grant and contract fraud, and other discretionary oversight areas within in the OIG. He has served as the Special Agent in Charge for HHS OIG's Special Investigations Branch (SIB), responsible for ensuring the integrity of HHS's 85,000 plus employees and contractors, and overseeing investigations involving employee misconduct and violations of criminal law. From 2016 – 2018, Franklin served as the Assistant Special Agent in Charge for SIB. Franklin holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Hampton University in Virginia, and a Master's degree in Policy Management from Georgetown University.

**John Hartnett** is a Unit Chief at the Federal Bureau of Investigation. For the first part of his career, Special Agent Hartnett focused on counterintelligence matters in the New York City area. In 2012,

Hartnett was promoted to Supervisory Special Agent at FBI Headquarters where he managed economic espionage investigations from a national perspective. Prior to his career with the FBI, Hartnett spent ten years in the finance industry; working at Thomson Financial and The Pioneer Group. He holds a graduate degree (MS, Finance) from Northeastern University and an undergraduate degree (BA, Business Administration) from the University of Massachusetts.

**Les Hollie** is an Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (AIGI) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Office of Investigations (OI). As the AIGI, Hollie is the senior executive responsible for supervising the activities of Special Agents in Charge as assigned. This includes over 600 professional staff to include Philadelphia, Boston, New York, Chicago Offices and Administrative Operations Branch, and Special Investigations Branch Offices in Washington, D.C. Under his leadership, the Office of Investigations had record accomplishments to include over \$5 billion in investigative receivables. Hollie is the senior executive responsible for coordinating OIGs national initiative pertaining to Research Integrity investigations.

**Farnam Jahanian, PhD**, was appointed the tenth president of Carnegie Mellon University by its Board of Trustees in March 2018. He was previously the university's provost and later served as interim president from July 2017 to February 2018.

A nationally recognized computer scientist, entrepreneur, public servant and higher education leader, Jahanian brings to CMU extensive leadership and administrative expertise, not only in advancing research and education within and across disciplines, but also in translating research into technologies and practices that benefit society.

Jahanian has been an active advocate for how basic research can be uniquely central to an innovation ecosystem that drives global competitiveness and addresses national priorities. His highly influential research on internet infrastructure security formed the basis for the internet security company Arbor Networks, which he co-founded in 2001 and where he served as chairman until its acquisition in 2010.

Jahanian holds a PhD in computer science from the University of Texas at Austin. He is a fellow of the Association for Computing Machinery, the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

**Allison C. Lerner, JD**, has served as the Inspector General of the National Science Foundation (NSF) since April 2009. As head of the Office of Inspector General, she leads efforts to prevent and detect fraud, waste, and abuse; improve the efficiency and integrity of NSF programs and operations; and investigate allegations of misconduct in science. Prior to becoming Inspector General at NSF, Lerner served in leadership positions at the Department of Commerce Office of Inspector General, including Counsel to the Inspector General.

In January 2015, Lerner was appointed as Vice Chairperson for the Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE). CIGIE is an independent Federal entity charged with addressing integrity, economy, and effectiveness issues that transcend individual Government agencies. To accomplish its mission, CIGIE continually identifies, reviews, and discusses areas of vulnerability in Federal programs and operations with respect to fraud, waste, and abuse.

Lerner has received several national awards for excellence. She received her law degree and her undergraduate degree from the University of Texas and is admitted to the bar in both Texas and the District of Columbia.

**Michael Oberlin** works as an Operations Officer within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Inspector General. He began his government career in 2002 as a Special Agent with U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service (DSS). While at DSS, Oberlin was assigned to the Washington Field Office, U.S. Embassy Baghdad, Office of Counterintelligence and the Office of Protective Intelligence. In 2009, Oberlin joined U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General as a Special Agent with the Protective Operations Branch, transferring to the Special Investigations Branch in 2015. Oberlin's current role is an Operations Officer assigned to the Investigations Branch at OIG's Headquarters in Washington, DC. Oberlin is the Office of Investigation's program lead for COVID-19, grants and contracts, suspension and debarment and foreign influence investigations.

**Lewe Sessions** is Assistant Inspector General at the US Department of Energy. After graduating from Penn State University, Lew Sessions began his law enforcement career in 1999 as a police officer for the Central Intelligence Agency and then transitioned to become a special agent with the Diplomatic Security Service where he conducted passport and visa fraud investigations, in addition to serving on the protection detail for the Secretary of State and other foreign dignitaries.

In 2005 Sessions joined the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) community as a special agent with the Department of Treasury. In 2010 Lew Sessions moved to the Department of Justice OIG, investigating a variety of contract, grant, and program fraud matters, in addition to employee misconduct.

In 2015 Sessions was one of two OIG employees to be selected for the Department of Justice's Leadership Excellence and Achievement Program. In 2016 Sessions was promoted to the position of Special Agent in Charge where he assumed leadership of employees at multiple locations across the country. In April 2020, Sessions was promoted to Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Investigations at the Department of Energy OIG and in January 2021 Sessions was promoted again to the position of Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, leading the Office of Investigations.

**Tobin "Toby" Smith** is Vice President for Science Policy and Global Affairs at the Association of American Universities (AAU), where he oversees matters related to science and innovation policy, broader impacts of science, and AAU's international activities. He shares responsibility for matters concerning research costs and other regulatory and compliance issues, including facilities and administrative costs, export controls, scientific openness and security, public access to research results, and technology transfer. He also staffs the AAU Senior Research Officers (SRO) constituent group. Smith previously worked as a federal relations representative for the University of Michigan and for MIT. He began his career on Capitol Hill as a legislative assistant to Congressman Bob Traxler (D-MI).

Smith holds a Master's degree in Legislative Affairs from George Washington University, and a Bachelor's degree in General Studies (BGS) from the University of Michigan.

**Megan E. Wallace** is Assistant Inspector General for Investigations at the National Science Foundation Office of the Inspector General. She has more than 27 years of experience as a federal law enforcement agent, of which more than 15 years have been in the IG community. Wallace joined National Science Foundation Office of Inspector General (NSF OIG) as the Special Agent in Charge in 2014 and became the Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (AIGI) in 2018. As head of the Office of Investigations (OI), she leads a team of criminal investigators, investigative scientists, and investigative attorneys in the conduct of a wide spectrum of investigations, including civil, criminal, and research misconduct matters, involving organizations or individuals that receive awards from, conduct business with, or work for NSF. When appropriate, the results of our investigations are referred to the Department of Justice or other prosecutorial authorities for criminal prosecution or civil litigation, or to NSF management for administrative resolution.

Wallace earned her BA from the University of San Diego in 1992 with a degree in Education and Spanish. She earned her MA in Policy Management from Georgetown University in 2011. Wallace is also a certified fraud examiner and earned a certificate in Key Executive OIG Leadership from American University in 2009.