Adriana Bankston Selected as Third CEO and Managing Publisher of the Journal of Science Policy & Governance

Washington, DC (**April 6, 2021**) - The Governing Board of the *Journal of Science Policy & Governance* (*JSPG*) has selected **Adriana Bankston** as the third Chief Executive Officer and Managing Publisher.

On May 3, 2021, Bankston will succeed **Shalin Jyotishi**, who has been with the organization since 2013 and CEO since 2017. Jyotishi will step into a Senior Advisor role to support the transition and strategic initiatives.

During his eight-year tenure with *JSPG* and four-year tenure as CEO, Jyotishi prioritized new strategic partnerships and expanded outreach, communication and editorial capacity to ensure that the early career researchers published in *JSPG* have a voice in global policymaking.

Issue partnerships forged under Jyotishi's tenure addressed topics ranging from U.S. science policy to climate action to equity and emerging technology. Partners included the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the Kavli Foundation, the UK Government, the United Nations, the Canadian Science Policy Centre, the National Science Policy Network, and other national and international organizations.

Over the past four years, *JSPG* has doubled its editorial capacity producing twice as many issues, including two standard issues and multiple special topics issues annually. *JSPG's* work has been cited in *CNN*, *The Washington Post* and other media outlets. Its work has been presented in formal testimony before the UN Commission on Science and Technology for Development and through events with organizations such as New America's Public Interest Technology program and the US National Academy of Sciences.

In 2019, Jyotishi led the establishment of a newly structured Governing Board composed of leading science policy luminaries, many of whom have contributed to various *JSPG* projects.

"On behalf of the Governing Board, we thank Shalin for all he has done over nearly a decade to build up *JSPG* as a visible and valuable resource to help early career researchers substantively share their most

innovative policy ideas," said **Erin Heath**, Director of Federal Relations at the American Association for the Advancement of Science and Chair of the *JSPG* Governing Board. *"As JSPG* celebrates our 10th anniversary, we are very excited for Adriana to assume the role of CEO. Adriana's vision, dedication and expertise in empowering the next generation of science policy leaders will be invaluable as *JSPG* enters its second decade of impact."

"It is a great honor being selected as the third CEO of *JSPG*. I thank Shalin for his leadership, mentoring and support as CEO. I have dedicated my career to empowering early career researchers in science policy, and I look forward to building on the *JSPG* legacy to advance this mission," said **Adriana Bankston**.

Erin Heath, Chair of the JSPG Governing Board

Since January 2020, Bankston has served as *JSPG's* Chief Outreach Officer. She joined *JSPG* as Director of Communications & Outreach in October 2018. Since that time, Bankston has elevated the visibility and impact of *JSPG* nationally and internationally, organizing nearly 50 events in total in the form of workshops, webinars, panels and presentations highlighting *JSPG*. She has established and nurtured several high-profile partnerships and served as the founding host of *JSPG*'s SciPol SoundBites podcast. Through her work, *JSPG* has seen an increased engagement level, quality submissions and meaningful outcomes for authors, fostering their professional development in science policy.

Bankston is a Principal Legislative Analyst at the University of California Office of Federal Governmental Relations in Washington, DC. Prior to this position, Bankston was a Policy & Advocacy Fellow at the Society for Neuroscience. Bankston also co-leads the Policy Taskforce at Future of Research and is a Biomedical Workforce & Policy Research Investigator with the STEM Advocacy Institute. Her work has appeared in *InsideHigherEd, Nature, Science Careers* and the Union of Concerned Scientists Blog, in addition to blogs from several scientific societies.

"Serving *JSPG* as a staff member and contributor has been one of my greatest professional privileges. We hear each and every day the tangible impact the Journal is having on early career researchers and on policy," said **Shalin Jyotishi**. "I cannot be more excited to welcome Adriana. She has excelled during her time with *JSPG* and has become a prolific and dedicated champion for engaging students, post-docs and early career scientists and engineers in public policy."

"Shalin has been an outstanding leader for *JSPG* and has shown unwavering dedication to the team and our shared goals. We are incredibly excited to welcome Adriana as she takes the helm to continue advancing *JSPG*'s mission and impact with policymakers," said **Max Bronstein**, Founder and Senior Advisor at the *Journal of Science Policy & Governance.*

Bankston will formally assume the role of CEO and Managing Publisher and Jyotishi will transition into a Senior Advisor role on May 3, 2021.

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About JSPG

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