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Philip Rubin elected to the National Academy of Public Administration

NEW HAVEN — Philip Rubin, Ph.D., the Principal Assistant Director for Science at the Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Executive Office of the President of the United States, has been elected as a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration. Rubin also leads the White House neuroscience initiative and co-chairs the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) Committee on Science. Rubin, a resident of Fairfield, CT, is on leave as the CEO of Haskins Laboratories in New Haven, CT, where he remains as a Senior Scientist, and is also a Professor Adjunct in the Department of Surgery at Yale School of Medicine and a Fellow of Yale’s Trumbull College. New fellows were inducted into the academy during its fall 2013 meeting in Washington, DC.

The National Academy of Public Administration is an independent, non-profit, and non-partisan organization established to assist government leaders in building more effective, efficient, accountable, and transparent organizations. Academy Fellows include nearly 800 individuals who have served as cabinet officers, members of congress and governors, as well as prominent scholars, business executives, and public administrators.

Rubin is a cognitive scientist, technologist, and science administrator who for many years has been involved with issues of science advocacy, education, funding, and policy. His research spans a number of disciplines, combining computational, engineering, linguistic, physiological, and psychological approaches to study embodied cognition, most particularly the biological bases of speech and language. Rubin has served as the Director of the Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences at the National Science Foundation and as the Chair of the National Academies Board on Behavioral, Cognitive, and Sensory Sciences. He is also the former Chairman of the Board of the Discovery Museum and Planetarium in Bridgeport, CT. Rubin is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Acoustical Society of America, the American Psychological Association (APA), the Association for Psychological Science, the Linguistic Society of America, and a Senior Member of the IEEE. In 2010, he received the APA’s Meritorious Research Service Commendation. A graduate of Brandeis University and the University of Connecticut, he is married to Joette Katz, Connecticut’s Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families.

Haskins Laboratories was founded in 1935 by the late Dr. Caryl P. Haskins. This independent research institute has been in New Haven, Connecticut since 1970 when it formalized affiliations with Yale University and the University of Connecticut. The Laboratories’ primary research focus is on the science of the spoken and written word.