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Five Senior International Officers Selected as 2015-2016 AIEA Presidential Fellows

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DURHAM, NC- October 15, 2015 – The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA) is pleased to announce the five senior international officers who have been selected as the seventh cohort of AIEA Presidential Fellows: Imara Dawson of Ball State University; David Di Maria of Montana State University; Jane Gatewood of The University of Rochester; Lisa Lancia of Fordham University; and Paulo Zagalo-Melo of the University of Montana.

The AIEA Presidential Fellows Program, a signature program of AIEA, is a highly prestigious professional leadership program for new Senior International Officers (SIO), who hold leadership positions at their universities. Fellows are matched with an experienced SIO who will serve as their Mentor. During the 2015-2016 academic year, each Fellow will spend several days visiting the Mentor's campus, shadowing the Mentor, and learning about the internationalization policies, politics, and procedures of the Mentor's institution. This program provides participants with the opportunity to observe how an experienced SIO and his/her institution address international education challenges and solve problems, learn about national and international issues and how they affect individual campuses, and become a member of a national network of Fellows, which serves as a resource throughout one's career.

The 2015-2016 Mentors bring extensive knowledge, experience, and expertise to the program. The Mentors include AIEA Past President Harvey Charles of the State University of New York, Albany; James Cooney of Colorado State University; Amy Gadsden of the University of Pennsylvania; Kavita Pandit of the University of Georgia, and Jeff Riedinger of the University of Washington (Seattle).

"This seventh cohort of AIEA Presidential Fellows represents a stellar and promising group of international education leaders. AIEA is pleased to provide this kind of support in developing leaders in higher education." said Dr. Darla Deardorff, AIEA Executive Director.

About AIEA

The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA), a membership organization formed in November 1982, is composed of institutional leaders engaged in advancing the international dimensions of higher education. AIEA brings together international education leaders with their counterparts from



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