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Dr. Jeet Joshee from California State University, Long Beach Becomes AIEA President

Durham, NC (May 9, 2023)— During its recent annual conference, Dr. Jeet Joshee, the Associate Vice President for International Education and Global Engagement at California State University, Long Beach, assumed the presidency of the [Association of International Education Administrators](http://www.aieaworld.org) (AIEA). AIEA is the only association dedicated exclusively to senior leaders in the field of international education and is a leading association in the world. AIEA members are senior international officers from US universities as well as other countries who serve as leaders of higher education institutions. AIEA was established in 1982 by a small group of Senior International Officers and has grown to be a preeminent organization in international higher education, with membership of almost 700 individuals and over 750 attendees at its last in-person conference.

Joshee took over the presidency from Jewell Winn, Executive Director/Senior International Officer and Chief Diversity Officer at Tennessee State University in Nashville during the association's traditional "pass the gavel" ceremony. The ceremony occurred at AIEA's Awards and Associational Meeting Luncheon during the conference.

In his acceptance speech, Joshee spoke about some major global grand challenges the world is facing - from social and economic inequality to political instability, from climate change to global health, human rights issues to safety and security concerns. He stressed that these challenges directly affect the field of international higher education and how as leaders in this field, we have the responsibility and power to change or influence change. Joshee said "international educators for a long time have been the bridge builders – making it possible for people to cross the bridge to understand the differences of the other side, appreciate their culture and listen to the differing viewpoints." He called the leaders to come together and commit to build a vibrant global community of educators, students, and institutions that can be a strong voice for global understanding and peace.

The AIEA presidential-stream is a three-year commitment starting as President-elect, President and Immediate Past-President. Once he completes his term as president, he will serve as chair of the AIEA 2025 Annual Conference.

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About AIEA:

The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA), a membership organization formed in November 1982, is the only association specifically focused on international education leadership. AIEA equips leaders to shape the future of higher education in a global context.