# HARVARD Kennedy School

# Alumni Board 2022–2023 Annual Report

Our Goals: advancing the mission of Harvard Kennedy School; promoting lifelong alumni engagement; advancing diversity, inclusion, connectedness, and representation within the global HKS community; and encouraging alumni to continuously learn and serve the public interest.

#### BOARD INITIATIVES

Continued strong, mutual support with the Alumni Relations Office and HKS leadership, and promoted stronger ties with HKS Networks and SIGs.

Conducted first Board led Alumni Survey to inform next year's strategic planning.

First time co-hosting a Forum event with the IOP: "Disability: The Critical but Absent Part of Public Policy."

Started conversations with the **Dean and other senior administrators** regarding the **MPA/MPP update** and diverse student recruitment.

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION

Organized two webinars reaching more than 150 alumni globally.

"Navigating Retirement in your 50s, 60s, and 70s"

Piloted an Asia Webinar Series, "The Regulatory Landscape of AI," to engage alumni in different time zones.

Identified that life-style topics and career pivots are areas of alumni interest.

## **NOMINATIONS**

Started **Onboarding Program** to welcome newly elected and appointed Board members.

Produced recommendations to improve communication regarding appointed Board members.

## ) ALUMNI AWARDS

Successfully continued **annual HKS Alumni Awards program** to recognize alumni leaders globally.

## DIVERSITY & ENROLLMENT

Engaged in **collaborative conversations** with **School leadership** to understand actions focused on advancing diversity and provide recommendations.

Develop **Recommendations for Improving Diversity at Harvard Kennedy School** with 12 key elements to foster diversity for faculty, staff, and students.

Organized webinar **"Race and Democracy"** with Professors Khalil Muhammad and Archon Fung.

## ALUMNI-STUDENTS CONNECTION

Carried out **third year** of the **Alumni-Student Career Mentoring Program**,

bringing together alumni with current/future students and building a pipeline for future alumni participation by hosting over 100 students and alumni.

Hosted the **first**-ever, inperson Alumni-Student event at the School.

Continued working with Kennedy School Student Government liaisons to the Alumni Board and other international student groups.

Special thanks to the Alumni Relations Office and all HKS alumni leaders, especially in the HKS SIGs and Networks, who have been our invaluable partners!