

## ORGANIZATIONAL FACT SHEET

Eisenhower Fellowships (EF) identifies, empowers and connects innovative leaders through a transformative fellowship experience and lifelong engagement with a diverse, dynamic, global network of change agents committed to creating a world more peaceful, prosperous and just. EF was founded by a group of Philadelphia businessmen in 1953 to celebrate President Dwight D. Eisenhower's first birthday in the White House and has a distinguished history as an independent, nonpartisan, international leadership organization.

## **EISENHOWER FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAMS**

- International Programs: EF annually hosts two international fellowship programs of 20-25 Fellows each. The first is the Global Program of Fellows from around the world, followed by a fall program targeted to a specific country, region or sector (recent examples: Latin America and Caribbean, Women's Leadership). Since its inception, EF has brought 2,400 leaders to the U.S. from some 115 countries.
- **USA Program:** EF also sends a smaller group of 20 ascendant young American leaders overseas for similar four- to five-week fellowship to one or two countries, half of them to China under the Zhi-Xing China Eisenhower Fellowships Program.
- **Eisenhower Global Scholars Program:** Beginning in the fall of 2020, EF will send four outstanding university graduates abroad for an academic year of postgraduate study leading to a Master's Degree at either the University of Oxford or IE University in Madrid. Global Scholars are between the ages of 20 and 30 years old and, as with the Eisenhower Fellows, expected to apply with a concrete project proposal that this international postgraduate study will advance.

Eisenhower Fellows and Global Scholars craft and carry out a concrete project with positive impact upon their return home from their program. They also commit to lifelong engagement with the organization to advance our mission.

## THE FELLOWSHIP NETWORK

EF currently operates in nearly 60 nations around the world through an influential global network of 1,600 active leaders from government, business, civil society, science, technology, health, education, the law, the arts and journalism. Notable EF Fellows include the Finance Minister of Indonesia; the Governor of the Central Bank in Thailand; the former Vice Minister of Education of China; a Major General in the Chinese Army; four former Finance Ministers in Taiwan; the longtime Ombudsman of the Northern Ireland Parliament; the seven-time Prime Minister and former President of Turkey; and scores of corporate and nonprofit CEOs and university presidents.

EF hosts myriad global and regional conferences across its thriving Global Network, often with a thematic focus of significant international relevance. In February 2020, more than 245 leaders from nearly 40 countries convened for EF's Future of Education Conference in Cartagena, Colombia to explore this vital subject across every corner of the planet.

Each year, EF awards the Eisenhower Medal for Distinguished Leadership and Service to a deserving individual or organization for their work on behalf of humanity. The 2019 medal was awarded posthumously to U.S. Senator John McCain.

## **LEADERSHIP**

EF's Chairman is former U.S. Secretary of Defense, Dr. Robert M. Gates, the Vice Chair is former Gov. Christine Todd Whitman and the Chair of the Executive Committee is James W. Hovey. The distinguished Board of Trustees includes former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine J. Albright and President Eisenhower's grandchildren, David and Susan Eisenhower. For more information, please go to our website: <a href="www.efworld.org">www.efworld.org</a>.

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