

I moved into academia a little over a year and a half ago joining BMS (coms) after 15+ years or so working in industry/research and advisory/executive board in especially Brussels, Cambridge (Mass) and London. An important part has been to inform, engage, connect and influence not only internal and external teams, but also a wide group of public and private stakeholders in creating and supporting a shared mission. Being aware of various challenges that we are faced with as academics and as an institute, I am interested in serving on the Faculty Council Panel because I am a strong supporter of academic freedom, rights, equity and responsibilities, and the role of faculty in university governance. Public universities play an important role in the civic life of our communities by upholding freedom of expression and democratic principles of education. I believe in the importance of shared governance, fairness, and transparency around decision-making and procedures. Hence, serving on the FC would be a great opportunity to work with colleagues across the university, share perspectives, and give back to the faculty community.