**Dr. Brendan Godfrey**

Candidate for IEEE-USA

2020 President-Elect, 2021 President

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Career in Government, Industry

* Management and research in FFRDC, small business, U.S. Air Force
* Responsible for as many as 1500 people, budgets as large as $500M
* Served on many advisory committees (National Academies, governments, universities)
* PhD – Princeton University

Active Contributor to IEEE

* IEEE-USA Volunteer
	+ IEEE-USA Board, Vice-President for Government Relations
	+ R&D Policy Committee Chair, Artificial Intelligence Policy Committee Chair
	+ Authored several position statements; made numerous Congressional visits
* Nuclear and Plasma Sciences Society
	+ AdCom (three terms)
	+ Plasma Science and Applications Chair
* IEEE Life Fellow (also APS Fellow)

Why Run for IEEE-USA President?

* Focus on enhancing Government Relations
	+ Important activity, opportunities for improvement, well qualified to do so
* While not ignoring Membership Development, Career Services
	+ Continue current President’s initiatives, work closely with six Region Directors

Provide increasingly effective voice in Washington for IEEE-USA members

* Solid Government Relations results past four years
	+ Increased federal support for S&T research
	+ Federal S&Es again can attend IEEE conferences
	+ Educated Congress on H-1B visa abuses
	+ Permanent R&D tax credit
* Much more to be accomplished
	+ Mobilize membership for advocacy; provide training
	+ Address additional important issues: internet privacy, H-1B reform, cyber security, balanced export control, improved R&D tax credit, etc.
* Increase visibility, internally and externally (articles, talks, Op-Eds, *etc.*)
* Recruit more volunteers, esp. younger members

Effectively Represent U.S. Membership as IEEE Board Member

* Team with Region Directors to identify, advocate issues important to U.S. members
* Explore alternative membership and financial models for a changing environment
* Promote openness and transparency