



Three members of the New York University Community chosen to serve on the “New” New York Blue-Ribbon Panel

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New York, NY Governor Kathy Hochul and New York City Mayor Eric Adams appointed 54 leaders from across New York City’s business, labor, academic, nonprofit, and philanthropic sectors to join the “New” New York blue-ribbon panel, which will examine the future of New York City and the region’s economy. Among them, are three prominent members of the NYU community—NYU School of Professional Studies Dean Angie Kamath, NYU Wagner Professor of Urban Policy and Planning Mitchell L. Moss, and Wagner Public Service Fellow and Tandon School of Engineering Visiting Professor Richard R. Buery, Jr. (panel co-chair), who have been appointed to serve alongside leaders charged with developing actionable strategies that will focus on the recovery of the City’s commercial districts, as well as address the many challenges the City has faced from the COVID-19 pandemic, and longstanding local and regional issues.

Blue-ribbon panelists represent a cross-section of those who call New York home, and who have demonstrated their ability to develop the innovative policies and initiatives required to help the City’s economy and to drive growth across business sectors in the five boroughs and beyond. As part of their shared responsibility, members of the blue-ribbon panel will examine critical issues related to use of space in commercial centers, where and how people work, and how to ensure that New York City’s post-pandemic economy serves people from all walks of life and all economic backgrounds.

“We are absolutely thrilled to have three members of the NYU community named to this important panel—each with their own expertise and deep knowledge to share,” said NYU president Andrew Hamilton. “New York University is part of the very fabric of this great city and we are honored and privileged to lend out support to this critical initiative. The entire university community extends its heartfelt congratulations to Dean Angie Kamath, Professor Mitchell Moss, and Public Service Fellow and Visiting Professor Richard Buery in being selected for this important role.”

Kamath has had a distinguished career in government and higher education in leadership roles that have amplified her deep expertise in partnering with industries on skills-based education and workforce development. She is a champion of fostering equal opportunity for all through higher education and through workforce programs that provide immediately applicable skills across growing and emerging fields. Prior to joining NYU SPS, Kamath served as the University dean at the City University of New York (CUNY), and was responsible for continuing education and workforce development programs at the nation’s largest urban public university. Before her time at CUNY, Kamath served as an executive vice president and executive director at Per Scholas, a national IT job training nonprofit headquartered in the South Bronx. Prior to Per Scholas, Kamath worked as a

deputy commissioner at the NYC Department of Small Business Services for seven years, where she oversaw adult workforce programs that served more than 100,000 New Yorkers each year during the Bloomberg administration.

Moss, Henry Hart Rice Professor of Urban Policy and Planning, and director of the Rudin Center for Transportation, has been described as a “New Yorkologist” by The New York Times. In 2019, Professor Moss served on the Mayor’s expert panel on the Brooklyn Queens Expressway Project. In 2017, he served on the Governor’s “FIX NYC” advisory group to identify ways to raise revenue for mass transit and to reduce congestion. He was an adviser to Michael R. Bloomberg during his first campaign for Mayor in 2001. From 1988 to 2003 Moss was director of NYU’s Taub Urban Research Center, and from 1983 to 2004 he was deputy to the chairman of the Governor’s Council on Fiscal and Economic Priorities. Moss has directed research projects for the National Science Foundation, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, US Department of Homeland Security, and has been a consultant to leading corporations and government agencies.

Buery, Jr., CEO at Robin Hood Foundation, serves as public service fellow at the NYU Wagner and was the graduate school’s distinguished visiting urbanist during the Spring of 2019. He is also a senior fellow at the GovLab at NYU, advising on projects relating to cities and non-profits.