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Falling Out of Love with Science



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Biography

Milan Yager is a long-time Washington lobbyist and association executive who has over 30 years of senior government and public affairs experience in the public and private sectors. His background includes senior government position in the Administration and Congress, as well as private sector experience with national trade associations and his own business-consulting firm.

Mr. Yager is currently the Executive Director of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering, an honorific society of the most accomplished innovators in the fields of medical and biological engineering. Previously, he served as an Administration political appointee to a regulatory agency, held senior lobbyist positions for two national trade associations, testified before Congress, was Chief of Staff to a Member of Congress, a candidate for public office, and has participated in congressional and presidential campaigns. He is a graduate of the University of Iowa and has a Masters in Public Administration from The American University in Washington, D.C.

Abstract

Arming yourself with the strategies for the workforce in advancing your career in biomedical innovation is more than just personal survival but also changing the path for medical innovation here in America and globally. Understanding the changing landscape of biomedical innovation and discovery may change your future. This presentation highlights the changing research ecosystem and public policies that threaten America's undisputed leadership in biomedical innovation. Things have changed and today biomedical PhD and post doc training take too long, pay too little, offer too few tenured positions. What has changed to make federal biomedical funding so difficult to obtain? How has the landscape changed for career options for biomedical undergrad and graduate students? What threatens American's global leadership in biomedical innovation. Can anything be done to reverse dangerous trendlines? Find out how the changing ecosystem impacts future biomedical career options and what actions students should take today. Discover three practical strategies that could change a bioengineer's future and impact their contribution to medical innovation. Learn practical steps to successfully impacting how the public and Members of Congress think about medical innovation. Long-time Washington political insider, former lobbyist, Administration appointee, and AIMBE's Executive Director, Milan Yager, will reveal the hidden truth about biomedical research, innovation, and the politics that impact careers in biomedical engineering. Attendees will get insight into getting engaged, broadening their perspective and making a difference. Change is happening; it is time to adopt the strategies that will shape the future.