Rubin Named Chair of NAS Behavioral Board

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APS Fellow Phillip Rubin, who is chief executive officer of Haskins Laboratories, is the new Chair of the Board on Behavioral, Cognitive, and Sensory Sciences (BBCSS) at the National Academy of Sciences (NAS). Rubin is best known for taking an interdisciplinary approach to speech production that encompasses cognitive psychology, linguistics, ecological acoustics, physiology, and computer modeling.

NAS was chartered by Congress and approved by Abraham Lincoln in 1863 to advise the federal government and the public on new scientific breakthroughs. The BBCSS is a subdivision of the National Research Counsel, which conducts research in a variety of scientific fields from engineering to psychology.

Rubin is an adjunct professor in the Department of Surgery, Otolaryngology, at Yale University School of Medicine. He is currently the Chair of the Board of the Discovery Museum and Planetarium in Bridgeport, Connecticut, as well as former director of the Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences at the National Science Foundation.