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## **Brian Moyer Named New BEA Director**

**WASHINGTON** – Brian Moyer was named Director of the Bureau of Economic Analysis, bringing more than 20 years of experience in economic statistics to the post. His new status as Director takes effect Sept. 21.

Dr. Moyer is currently BEA’s Deputy Director and has served as Acting Director since May 2 when the agency’s previous chief retired.

The non-partisan BEA is one of the federal government’s leading economic intelligence agencies and produces millions of official economic data points – national, regional, industry and international – used by business leaders, policymakers and Americans to make more informed decisions.

Dr. Moyer joined BEA, which is part of the U.S. Commerce Department, in 1993 and held several key positions including Associate Director for Industry Accounts.

Under his leadership, BEA has made numerous advances in measuring and gauging the performance of the U.S. economy, including new measures of intangible and high-tech goods and services, expanded information on multinational companies and foreign direct investment, and more timely GDP statistics for states, metropolitan areas and industries. Dr. Moyer has also played a key role in developing and improving international standards and guidelines used to prepare economic statistics worldwide.

“With the challenges facing BEA in the coming years – things like greater use of ‘big data’ and more integration across the U.S. statistical agencies – I am pleased to have Brian leading BEA,” said Mark Doms, Under Secretary for Economic Affairs at the U.S. Commerce Department.

Dr. Moyer holds Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in economics from the University of Maryland and a Ph.D in economics from American University.

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