

Center for Strategic and International Studies: Paul Ryan Joins CSIS Board of Trustees

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WASHINGTON, December 1, 2020: The Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) is pleased to announce that Paul Ryan, the 54th speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, has joined the CSIS Board of Trustees.

“Paul has a tremendous track record of public service, leadership, and intellectual vigor,” said CSIS president and CEO John J. Hamre. “I am thrilled to welcome him to our Board of Trustees and look forward to his contributions to the Center.”

Ryan served as speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives from October 2015 to January 2019. During his tenure as speaker, Ryan spearheaded efforts to reform the U.S. tax code and criminal justice system, strengthen national defense, expand domestic energy production, combat the opioid epidemic, and promote economic opportunity.

Previously, he was chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee and, before that, chairman of the House Budget Committee. In 2012, he was selected to serve as Governor Mitt Romney’s vice-presidential nominee. Ryan was first elected to Congress at age 28 and represented Wisconsin’s First District for two decades.

After leaving Congress, Ryan in 2019 launched the American Idea Foundation, a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization that expands economic opportunity by partnering with local organizations and academics to advance evidence-based public policies. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Fox Corporation and

of SHINE Medical Technologies, LLC; the advisory boards of Robert Bosch GmbH and CIS Credit Solutions; and the Board of Trustees of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute. In 2020, Ryan was named chairman of the Board of Directors of Executive Network Partnering Corporation. He is also currently professor of the practice at the University of Notre Dame and a visiting fellow in the practice of public policy at the American Enterprise Institute.

Ryan and his wife Janna have three children: Liza, Charlie, and Sam. He holds a degree in economics and political science from Miami University in Ohio and was also awarded an honorary doctorate by the university.

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