



Katherine Wallman to Receive 2017 Julius Shiskin Award

Katherine Wallman, recently retired after 24 years as U.S. Chief Statistician at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), has been selected to receive the 2017 Julius Shiskin Memorial Award for Economic Statistics. The award recognizes unusually original and important contributions in the development of economic statistics or in the use of statistics in interpreting the economy. Ms. Wallman is recognized **for strengthening the independence of U.S. statistical agencies; expanding confidentiality protection; improving the quality and usability of official statistics; increasing collaboration among the statistical agencies; and improving the reliability and comparability of official statistics throughout the world.**

In addition to her many contributions to the U.S. statistical system, Ms. Wallman served as chair of the UN Statistical Commission during 2004 and 2005; as chair of the Conference of European Statisticians, UN Economic Commission for Europe, from 2003 to 2007; and as a vice chair of the Statistics Committee, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, from 2009 to 2011. She is a founding member of the International Association for Official Statistics and an elected member of the ISI.

Ms. Wallman is the 45th recipient of the Award; she will be honored at events hosted by the three sponsors of the award: the Washington Statistical Society, the National Association for Business Economics, and the Business and Economics Section of the American Statistical Association.