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Wafaa El-Sadr Appointed EVP for Columbia Global

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Wafaa El-Sadr ’91PH, a University Professor and renowned infectious-disease physician and epidemiologist, has been appointed executive vice president for Columbia Global. In the newly created position, El-Sadr will oversee the Columbia Global Centers, a network of nine research hubs in Africa, Asia, Europe, and South America; Columbia World Projects, an initiative that has institutionalized the University’s commitment to addressing real-world problems, and which she also directs; Columbia’s Paris-based Institute for Ideas and Imagination, which supports innovative collaborations between scholars and creative artists; and other global initiatives.

El-Sadr will also continue to serve as the Dr. Mathilde Krim–amfAR Chair of Global Health and director of ICAP, a global health center based at the Mailman School of

Public Health with operations in thirty countries.

“In her new and expanded role, Wafaa will bring to the leadership of our Global Centers and other global initiatives her unmatched global perspective, institutional expertise, and vision for Columbia’s positive impact in the world,” said President Lee C. Bollinger in announcing her appointment.



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