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## Welcome to our new CEO!

As of October 21, **Anthony (Bud) Rock** has joined the ASTC staff as chief executive officer, a new title approved by ASTC's Board of Directors in September. He replaces Bonnie VanDorn, who is retiring after 27 years of service as ASTC's executive director.



Bud Rock was most recently vice president for global engagement at Arizona State University in Tempe. Previously, he served for 20 years in the U.S. Foreign Service, retiring as Acting Assistant Secretary and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State responsible for oceans, environment, and science. His education encompasses the life sciences, psychology, marine geophysics, and science and technology policy. Bud has worked for NOAA and the National Sea Grant Program and is a graduate of the 43rd Senior Seminar, the U.S. government's highest-level civilian/military joint training program. We look forward to many successful years for ASTC members under his leadership.

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