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**Franklin Carrero-Martínez** joined the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine in 2018 where he directs the Global Sustainability and Development and the Science and Technology for Sustainability program within the division of Policy and Global Affairs. Prior to this appointment, he was the Acting Deputy Science and Technology Adviser to the Secretary of State. Dr. Carrero-Martínez holds a B.S. in biology, with honors from the University of Puerto Rico (UPR), a Ph.D. in cell and developmental neurobiology, and a certificate in business administration from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. His multidisciplinary career includes several roles in academia and government: from researcher and educator, science administrator, to science policy and diplomacy. Previously, Dr. Carrero-Martínez held appointments as associate professor at the UPR, Mayagüez, Adjunct Professor at the UPR Medical Science Campus, and as visiting scholar at Duke University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Japan's Institute of Genetics. Dr. Carrero-Martínez started his career in science diplomacy and policy as the American Association for the Advancement of Science's Roger Revelle Fellow in Global Stewardship. He served this prestigious fellowship with a joint appointment between the Office of the Science and Technology Adviser to the Secretary of State (STAS) and the National Academy of Sciences. At the end of his fellowship, he served as program director at the National Science Foundation supporting the foundation's diplomatic and representational obligations, while managing a portfolio of international basic science collaboration grants before returning to STAS in 2016. As the Department's senior advisor on science, technology and innovation issues (STI), he directed the STAS Office. In this role he provided senior officials with analysis, guidance, recommendations and strategic planning to anticipate the foreign policy impacts of emerging STI issues, built STI capacity within the Department, and engaged the National Security Innovation Base to promote Department priorities.