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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF KANSAS CITY APPOINTS SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF RESEARCH

Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City President and Chief Executive Officer Esther George recently announced the following appointment:

Luke Woodward has been named senior vice president and head of the Bank's Research Division. In this role, he will provide strategic direction and management oversight for the Bank's research and policy analysis, including the work of the [Center for the Advancement of Data and Research Analytics](#) (CADRE), technology that supports the high-performance computing environment for research activities across the Federal Reserve System. Woodward also will be responsible for the development of the program for the annual [Jackson Hole Economic Policy Symposium](#) hosted by the Kansas City Fed in Wyoming. He will serve on the Kansas City Fed's Management Committee, which has responsibility for the Bank's strategic planning and policy direction.

Woodward joined the Kansas City Fed in 2014 as an assistant vice president and has held senior leadership roles across a number of domestic and international payment programs related to the Federal Reserve's role as a fiscal agent for the U.S. government. In 2016, he was appointed vice president and assumed a role in the Bank's Payments Strategy Division, where he led national initiatives. Before joining the Bank, Woodward gained significant international markets and payments experience as vice president of global operations at State Street Corp. While there, he led key programs related to capital markets, foreign exchange and collateral management, and was involved in implementing recommendations as part of the Treasury Market Practice Group. He has led teams located in China, India, Canada and the Philippines in addition to completing assignments in Europe. Woodward is a native of Kansas City, Mo., and holds an MBA in finance from Rockhurst University.

As the regional headquarters of the nation's central bank, the Kansas City Fed and its branch offices in Denver, Oklahoma City and Omaha serve the seven states of the Tenth District: Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Wyoming, northern New Mexico and western Missouri.

