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### **Henning Schroeder named 2013-14 CGS/NSF Dean in Residence**

Minneapolis and Washington, DC — The Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) is pleased to name Henning Schroeder as the CGS/NSF Dean in Residence for 2013-14. Dr. Schroeder is currently Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Education at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. Schroeder will join CGS on September 1.

The Dean in Residence program was created by CGS and the National Science Foundation (NSF) to support communications between senior graduate education leaders and the NSF. In this role, Dr. Schroeder will share with CGS and NSF the insights, perspectives, and practical experience of a senior administrator at a research university, while collaborating with program officers and senior administrators across NSF to help plan future NSF programs and activities.

"I am delighted that Henning will be joining us," said CGS President Debra W. Stewart. "His leadership and expertise will help CGS build on the strong relationships we have developed among graduate deans, the NSF, and the science and engineering community."

In accepting the 12-month appointment, Dr. Schroeder looks forward to advancing the NSF mission of supporting graduate students.

"I am very interested in being part of the broader national discussion on how federal agencies contribute to the support of graduate students," said Schroeder. "In order to remain globally competitive, graduate programs in the United States may need to revisit their overall curricular structure as well as current modes of educational content delivery."

"At the University of Minnesota, we have begun to explore incentives and disincentives of existing tuition models in the United States and abroad with the goal of identifying fiscal mechanisms that best support educational goals in graduate education," continued Schroeder. "Although graduate programs in the U.S. are still providing the highest quality education, other countries are catching up fast. I look forward to exploring these issues further during my time as Dean-in-Residence."

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Dr. Schroeder assumed his current position at the University of Minnesota in 2010, and previously served as the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies at the College of Pharmacy. He holds a faculty appointment as professor in the Department of Pharmaceutics.

After receiving his Ph.D. in Pharmacology from the University of Düsseldorf, Germany, Dr. Schroeder worked as a postdoctoral fellow with Nobel laureate Ferid Murad at Stanford. His research and teaching has been recognized with numerous awards, including a Heisenberg fellowship from the German Research Foundation (DFG) and the 1997 Innovation Prize from the Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg.

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*\* Based on data from the 2011 CGS/GRE Survey of Graduate Enrollment and Degrees.*

### **About the University of Minnesota Graduate School**

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