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The Academy hosted its 11th Annual Meeting in June of 2022, in Phoenix, Arizona. The conference, themed *Defining the Future: Inventing for Tomorrow*, focused on the critical role inventors play in solving the world's most complex challenges, with panels on collaboration in innovation, enabling diverse inventorship, and the future of IP.

The conference included the induction of the 2021 Class of Fellows and 2022 Class of Senior Members and culminated in the presentation of the Founders Award and inaugural Sentinel Award at the Signature Gala. The 2022 Founders Award was presented to Howard Federoff, FNAI, and the Sentinel Award recipients included Andrei Iancu, HonNAI, Robert Duncan, FNAI, and Karen Burg, FNAI.



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12TH ANNUAL MEETING



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Held in June of 2023 in Washington, D.C., the epicenter of the American Intellectual Property system, the Academy's 12th Annual Meeting was the largest and most successful conference to date. The conference centered on the theme *Diversifying Innovation for a Strong Economy and Sustainable Future*. Notable featured speakers and panelists from academia, government, nonprofits, and industry came together to discuss topics such as sustainable solutions, the intersection of policy and innovation, the economic impact of invention, and best-practices for fostering innovation at an institutional level and beyond. The 12th Annual Meeting also included a special pre-conference event hosted by the USPTO to unveil the plaque of the newest Fellows class, which will reside at the USPTO's headquarters in Alexandria, VA.



The two-day conference included the induction of the 2022 class of Fellows and the 2023 Class of Senior Members as well as the annual presentation of the Sentinel and Founders Awards, which were presented during the closing Signature Gala. The 2023 Sentinel Award recipient was Moez Limyam, HonNAI and the 2023 Founders Award recipients included Anne Chasser, HonNAI, Stephen Klasko, HonNAI, and The Florida High Tech Corridor, accepted on their behalf by CEO Paul Sohl, HonNAI. The Signature Gala also included the inaugural Chapter of Excellence Awards, created to celebrate the impact of NAI Chapters at their institutions and in their communities. This year's awardees included the University of California San Diego, New Jersey Institute of Technology, and Florida Atlantic University.



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