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J. Ramon Gil-Garcia, Ph.D., MS is an Associate Professor of Public Administration and Policy and the Director of the Center for Technology in Government, University at Albany, State University of New York (SUNY). Dr. Gil-Garcia is a member of the Mexican Academy of Sciences and of the Mexican National System of Researchers as Researcher Level III, which is the highest distinction a researcher can obtain before becoming Researcher Emeritus as a result of a life-long career of research contributions. In 2009, he was considered the most prolific author in the field of digital government research worldwide and in 2013 he was selected for the Research Award, which is “the highest distinction given annually by the Mexican Academy of Sciences to outstanding young researchers.” More recently, Dr. Gil-Garcia was named “One of the World’s 100 Most Influential People in Digital Government” in 2018 and 2019 by Apolitical, which is a nonprofit organization based in London in the United Kingdom. In 2021, he was one of the recipients of the two inaugural Digital Government Society (DGS) Fellows Awards. Currently, he is also a professor of the Business School at Universidad de las Américas Puebla in Mexico, a Faculty Affiliate at the National Center for Digital Government, University of Massachusetts Amherst and an Affiliated Faculty member of the Information Science Doctorate Program at the College of Emergency Management, Homeland Security and Cybersecurity, University at Albany. Previously, he was a Professor in the Department of Public Administration at Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) in Mexico City.

Dr. Gil-Garcia is the author or co-author of articles in prestigious international journals in Public Administration, Information Systems, and Digital Government such as *The International Public Management Journal*, *Public Management Review*, *Government Information Quarterly*, *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*, *European Journal of Information Systems*, *Information & Management*, *Information Polity*, *Public Policy and Administration*, *International Journal of Public Sector Management*, *Public Performance and Management Review*, *Public Money and Management*, *Urban Affairs Review*, *Social Science Computer Review*, *Journal of Government Information*, *International Journal of Electronic Government Research*, *Public Finance and Management*, *Journal of Organizational Computing and Electronic Commerce*, *Electronic Journal of Electronic Government*, *Information Technologies and International Development*, *International Journal of Public Administration in the Digital Age*, *Journal of e-Democracy and Open Government*, *International Journal of Cases on Electronic Commerce*, *Transforming Government: People, Process and Policy*, *International Journal of Electronic Governance*, *International Journal on Computers, Systems and Signals*, *Politics Administration and Change*, *Reforma y Democracia*, *Gestión y Política Pública*, *Espiral: Estudios sobre Estado y Sociedad*, *Convergencia*, *Ciencias de Gobierno*, *Ciencia Ergo Sum*, *Administración Pública y Sociedad*, and *Espacios Públicos*. Some of his publications are among the most cited in the field of digital government research worldwide. His research interests include collaborative digital government, inter-organizational collaboration and information integration, smart cities and smart governments, data and data analytics for decision making, artificial intelligence in government, adoption and implementation of emergent technologies, digital divide policies, information technologies in the budget process, digital government success factors, information technologies and organizations, education administration and policy, new public management, public policy evaluation, and multi-method research approaches.

Dr. Gil-Garcia has extensive teaching experience and has collaborated with 12 universities, including departments of Public Administration, Government, Political Science, Social Science, Information Studies, and Management Information Systems. He has lectured on topics such as Public Management, Policy Analysis, Organization Theory, Database Applications, Statistics, Web Development, Quantitative Analysis and Modeling, Research Methods, Systems Analysis and Design, Public Administration Theory, Local Government Management, and Information Technologies in the Public Sector, among others. Prior to his academic career, Dr. Gil-Garcia held

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