



2018
Consular Corps College Symposium
AGENDA



Wednesday, November 14, 2018

1:00 – 4:00 pm: Check In and Pick Up Registration Materials, Lobby of Holiday Inn, Central/White House

5:45 pm: Bus from Holiday Inn, Central/White House to the Embassy of Finland

6:30 – 9:30 pm: Opening Gala Diplomatic Dinner, Embassy of Finland

9:30 pm: Bus from the Finnish Embassy to Holiday Inn, Central/White House

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Thursday, November 15, 2018

8:15 am Bus from Holiday Inn, Central/White House to the Embassy of Lithuania, Pass through Security

9:00 – 9:05 am: **First Day Opening and Housekeeping**

The Honorable Siri Frette Allsted, Dean of the Consular Corps College and Head of Consular Affairs, Royal Norwegian Embassy, Washington, DC

9:05 – 9:15 am: **Welcome to the Embassy of Lithuania**

His Excellency Rolandas Krisciunas, Ambassador of Lithuania to the US

9:15 – 10:15 am: **How the Department of Commerce Can Assist Consuls in International Trade Development**

Mr. Patrick Kirwan, Director, Trade Promotion Coordinating Committee, International Trade Administration, US Department of Commerce

Ms. Loretta S. Greene, Assistant Secretary for Global Markets, Select USA, International Trade Administration, US Department of Commerce

10:15 – 10:45 am: Break and Networking

10:45 – 11:45 am: **The Role of Honorary Consuls In Promoting Trade and Investment Both In Their Countries and in the United States – Two Case Studies**

The Honorable Krista Bard, Honorary Consul General of Lithuania in Pennsylvania and CCC Chancellor

Mr. David Briel, Executive Director, International Investment, Office of International Business Development, Department of Community and Economic Development, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

The Honorable David Robinson, Honorary Consul General of Japan in North Carolina
Moderator: The Honorable Kathleen Blakely, Honorary Consul General of Japan in Nevada and CCC Chancellor

Thursday, November 15, 2018, Continued

11:45 – 12:00 pm: [Break](#)

12:00 - 1:00 pm: [Networking Lunch](#)

1:00 - 2:00 pm: [Consular Consulting: What It Involves, What Is Permitted, and the Difference Between a Consular Consultant and a Foreign Agent](#)

The Honorable Michael E. Scullin, Honorary Consul of France in Pennsylvania and Partner, McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney & Caprenter

Bruce Zagaris, Esq., Partner, Berliner, Corcoran and Rowe, LLC

Moderator: Laina Lopez, Esq., Partner, Berliner, Corcoran and Rowe, LLC, and Counsel to the Consular Corps College

2:00 – 2:15 pm: [Break](#)

2:15 –3:00 pm: [Effective Working Relationships Between Embassies and Their Consular Networks](#)

The Honorable Siri Allsted, Dean of the Consular Corps College and Head of Consular Affairs, Royal Norwegian Embassy

The Honorable Eivind Heiberg, Honorary Consul General of Norway in Minneapolis and CCC Chancellor

3:00 - 4:15 pm: [Essential Trade Promotion Resources: Experts in the Legal Climate and Location Searches, and Contacts in State and Local Business Development Agencies](#)

Mr. Christopher D. Lloyd, Senior Vice President and Director, Infrastructure and Economic Development, McGuireWoods Consulting, LLC

Mr. James M. Connelly, Principal, Summit Commercial Real Estate

Mr. Dennis Donovan, Principal and Founder, Wadley, Donovan and Gutshaw

Ms. Alexis Gordon, International Business Manager and Chief of Protocol, Economic Development, City of Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

Moderator: The Honorable Ingrida Bublys, Honorary Consul General of Lithuania in Ohio and CCC Chancellor

4:30 pm Bus from Lithuanian Embassy back to Holiday Inn – Central/White House

5:00 – 6:00 pm: [Members' Annual Meeting, Mayor's Room, Holiday Inn, Central/White House](#)

6:00 – 7:00 pm: [Informal Meet and Greet in the Hotel Bar](#)

Rest of the Evening Free for Meetings with Embassy Officials, Etc.

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Friday, November 16, 2018

8:15 am Bus from Holiday Inn, Central/White to Main State Department Building, George C. Marshall Conference Center, Pass through Security

9:00 – 9:05 am: [Second Day Opening and Housekeeping](#)

The Honorable Siri Frette Allsted, Dean of the Consular Corps College and Head of Consular Affairs, Royal Norwegian Embassy

Friday, November 16, 2018, Continued

- 9:05 – 9:10 am: [Welcome to the Department of State](#)
Mr. Clifford S. Seagroves, Acting Director, Office of Foreign Missions, US Department of State
- 9:10 – 9:20 am: [Updates from the Office of Foreign Missions](#)
Mr. Clifford S. Seagroves, Acting Director, Office of Foreign Missions, US Department of State
- 9:20 – 9:50 am: Response and [Lessons Learned from Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria and More](#)
Mr. Daniel J. DiLeo, Officer, Office of Foreign Missions and Member of the Federal F.A.S.T. (Fly Away Support Team)
- 9:50 – 10:15 am: FEMA's [Coordination Role in Times of Disaster](#)
Mr. Jacob Vawter, International Relations Specialist, OPPIA - International Affairs Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, US Department of Homeland Security
- 10:15 – 10:45 am: [Break](#)
- 10:45 – 11:30 am: [Consular Crisis Messaging - Critical Information for Consuls](#)
Ms. Lori Lawson-Dischner, Digital Engagement Specialist, Bureau of Consular Affairs, US Department of State
- 11:30 – 11:50 am: [Visas for Trade and Investment Promotion](#)
Ms. Karen L. Christensen, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, US Department of State
- 11:50 – 12:00 am: [Break](#)
- 12:00 - 1:00 pm: [Lunch with Speakers and State Department Officials](#)
- 1:00 – 2:50 pm: [Detecting Fraudulent Documents](#)
Mr. Joel Zlotnick, Supervisory Physical Scientist, Counterfeit Deterrence Laboratory Bureau of Consular Affairs, US Department of State
- 2:50 – 3:00 pm: [Closing Remarks](#)
The Honorable Siri Frette Allsted, Dean of the Consular Corps College and Head of Consular Affairs, Royal Norwegian Embassy
- 3:00 – 3:30 pm: [Awarding of Certificates](#)
The Honorable Siri Frette Allsted, Dean of the Consular Corps College and Head of Consular Affairs, Royal Norwegian Embassy
Ms. Katherine H. Moss, Director General of the Consular Corps
- 3:30 – 4:00 pm: [Vin d'Honneur with Symposium Graduates and State Department Officials](#)

4:00 pm Bus from Main State to Holiday Inn-Central/White House