



2019  
Consular Corps College Symposium



# AGENDA

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

6:30 – 9:30 pm: [Opening Gala Diplomatic Dinner, Capitol Hill](#)

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Thursday, November 14, 2019

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

**The Honorable Louis Vella**, Vice Dean of the Consular Corps College and Honorary  
Consul General of Malta in San Francisco, CA

9:05 – 9:30 am: [How the Department of State Promotes Educational and Cultural Affairs](#)

**Ms. Marie Royce**, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural  
Affairs, US Department of State - *Invited*

9:30 – 9:55 am: [Meet and Hear from OFM's New Director](#)

**Ambassador Stephen Akard**, Director, Office of Foreign Missions, US Department of State

9:55 – 10:15 am: [OFM's Outreach](#)

**Mr. Cliff Seagroves**, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Foreign Missions, US Department of  
State

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

10:45 – 11:45 am: [The Secrets of Putting On Successful Cultural Events: Two Cases Studies](#)

**TH Kathleen Blakely**, Honorary Consul General of Japan in Las Vegas and Chancellor of the  
Consular Corps College

**TH Marit Lee Kucera**, Honorary Consul of the Czech Republic in Minnesota

**Moderator: The Honorable Louis Vella**, Vice Dean of the Consular Corps College and Honorary  
Consul General of Malta in San Francisco, CA

11:45 – 12:00 pm: [Break](#)

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

Thursday, November 14, 2019, Continued

1:00 –2:15 pm: [How International Industry Giants Identify and Support Innovative Ideas Globally, and How Consuls Can Integrate With Their Programs](#)

**Mr. Nicholas Cozensa**, Senior Manager, International Government Affairs, AMGEN

**Ms. Ria Bailey**, Public Policy and Government Affairs, Google

**Mr. Prosser Stirling**, Senior Director, Global Development, Oracle

**Moderator: The Honorable Krista Bard**, Honorary Consul General of Lithuania and Chancellor of the Consular Corps College

2:15 - 3:00 pm: [The Insider's Guide to Arranging Scientific, Technological, and Educational Exchange Programs](#)

**The Honorable Nurten Ural**, Honorary Consul General of Turkey, Detroit, MI

3:00 – 3:15 pm: Break

3:15 - 4:15 pm: [Essential Exchange Resources and Scholarships: Connecting with Foundations, Exchange Programs, and Institutions](#)

**Dr. Peter Kilmarx**, Deputy Director, Fogarty International Center, National Institutes of Health

**Ms. Sherry Keneson-Hall**, Branch Chief, Fulbright Scholarship Board, US Department of State

**TBD**, Rockefeller Foundation, *Invited*

**Moderator: The Honorable Edward Paul**, Honorary Consul of Belize and CCC Chancellor

4:15 - 4:30 pm: [Check-In and Wrap Up](#)

**Ms. Katherine Moss**, Director General, Consular Corps College

[Return to Holiday Inn – Central/White House](#)

5:15 – 6:30 pm: [Members' Annual Meeting, Mayor's Room, Holiday Inn, Central/White House](#)

6:30 – 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 15, 2019

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

**The Honorable Louis Vella**, Vice Dean of the Consular Corps College and Honorary Consul General of Malta in San Francisco, CA

9:05 – 9:15 am: [Welcome to Bureau of Consular Affairs](#)

**Mr. Carl C. Risch**, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, US Department of State

Friday, November 15, 2019, Continued

- 9:15 – 9:45 am: [Visas for Cultural, Scientific, and Educational Exchanges](#)  
Visa Officer, Visa Section, Bureau of Consular Affairs, US Department of State
- 9:45 – 10:15 am: [Change in Visa Status – When Exchange Program Participants Obtain Work in the United States](#)  
**Ms. Jennifer R. Van Trump**, Adjudications Officer (Policy), Business and Foreign Workers Division, United States Customs and Immigration Service, Office of Policy and Strategy, Department of Homeland Security
- 10:15 – 11:00 am: [Break, Networking, and Photos](#)
- 11:00 – 11:45 am: [Consular Notification and Access, A Matter of Reciprocity](#)  
**Mr. Daniel M. Pattarini**, Outreach Officer, Consular Notification and Access Program, Bureau of Consular Affairs, US Department of State
- 11:45 – 12:00 pm: [Break](#)
- 12:00 - 1:00 pm: [Lunch with Speakers and State Department Officials](#)
- 1:00 – 1:30 pm: [The Sister Cities Program: Forging International Understanding Two Cities at a Time and How Consuls Can Collaborate](#)  
**TH Sherman Banks**, Honorary Consul of Ghana in the Arkansas Delta Region, President of Sister Cities International, Emeritus, and Consular Corps College
- 1:30 – 2:15 pm: [Estates with Foreign Heirs and Beneficiaries](#)  
**Bruce Zegar, Esq.**, Partner, Berliner, Corcoran & Rowe, LLC
- 2:15 – 3:00 pm: [Handling the Unexpected – An Interactive Exchange](#)  
**Mr. Åsmund Moe**, Consul, Embassy of Norway, Washington, DC  
**TH Cynthia Gutierrez**, Honorary Consul of Brazil in South Texas and Consular Corps College Chancellor  
**TH Ingrida Bublys**, Honorary Consul General of Lithuania in Ohio and Consular Corps College Chancellor
- 3:00 – 3:20 pm: [Awarding of Certificates](#)  
**The Honorable Louis Vella**, Vice Dean of the Consular Corps College and Honorary Consul General of Malta in San Francisco, CA  
**Ms. Katherine H. Moss**, Director General of the Consular Corps
- 3:20 – 3:30 pm: [Closing Remarks](#)  
**The Honorable Louis Vella**, Acting Vice Dean of the Consular Corps College and Honorary Consul General of Malta in San Francisco, CA
- 3:30 – 4:00 pm: [Vin d'Honneur with Symposium Graduates and State Department Officials](#)  
Toast Offered by **The Honorable Deanna Tryon**, Chief of Protocol, Silicon Valley Office of Protocol, Los Altos, CA and Chancellor of the Consular Corps College