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### **Teleconference: "The September 12 Paradigm"**

Thursday, October 16, 2008

1:00pm -2:00pm (please note the time)

H&SS Dean's Conference Room, Baker 154r

Join the Global & International Relations Program for a teleconference with Robert Kagan, Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Pizza and beverages will be provided, courtesy of the Global & International Relations Program and the Department of Social and Decision Sciences.

### **Lecture: "Public Diplomacy's Role in the Next Administration"**

**Dr. Jeremy Curtin, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Information Programs, U.S. Department of State**

Thursday, October 23, 2008

4.30pm - 5.45pm

Porter Hall A100

Dr. Jeremy Curtin is a career member of the Senior Foreign Service of the United States with the rank of Career Minister. He was appointed Coordinator and Assistant Secretary of the State Department's Bureau of International Information Programs in April, 2007, having previously served as Principal Deputy Coordinator and Acting Coordinator. The Bureau he directs is responsible for engaging international audiences on issues of foreign policy, society and values to help create an environment receptive to U.S. national interests.

An officer in the Foreign Service since 1975, Dr. Curtin has served in Europe and East Asia and he has held senior advisor positions at the State Department and the National Security Council.

This lecture is hosted by the Global and International Relations Program and the Heinz Washington DC Program.

## OTHER EVENTS

### **Luncheon/Discussion: “Your Navy and the Maritime Strategy”**

Friday, October 10, 2008

12:00pm - 1:45pm

The Duquesne Club, Main Dining Room, 325 Sixth Ave., Downtown Pittsburgh

Discussion with Admiral Jonathan W. Greenert, Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command.

The U.S. Navy plays a key strategic role in executing our country’s maritime strategy. How has that strategy evolved since 9/11? What is its current role in the promoting our nation’s security? How will the Navy influence our overall security in an ever changing global stage?

A native of Butler, PA, ADM Greenert graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1975. His career as a submariner includes assignments aboard USS Flying Fish (SSN 673), USS Tautog (SSN 639), Submarine NR-1 and USS Michigan (SSBN 727 - Gold Crew), culminating in command of USS Honolulu (SSN 718). Subsequent fleet command assignments include Commander, Submarine Squadron 11, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Marianas and Commander, U.S. 7th Fleet.

Adm. Greenert has served as Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Integration of Capabilities and Resources (N8); Deputy Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet; Chief of Staff, U.S. Seventh Fleet; Head, Navy Programming Branch and Director, Operations Division Navy Comptroller. He has earned numerous personal and campaign awards, including the Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, and the Legion of Merit. In 1992 he also received the Vice Admiral Stockdale Award for inspirational leadership.

For more information or to register, visit <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.org/programs.jsp>.

### **Lecture: “Borges, Bio y el Lenguaje Exquisito”**

Friday, October 10, 2008

2:00pm

144 Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh

In 1994 Cristina Parodi and Ivan Almeida founded the Jorge Luis Borges Center for Studies and Documentation at the University of Aarhus, Denmark. Two scholars at the University of Aarhus, one specialized in literature, the other in philosophy, sharing the same passion for this inexhaustible adventure, considered that the growing number of scholars across the world studying Borges’ work calls for an international project dedicated to assembling their efforts. The Borges Center was founded in response to that need. The Borges Center moved to the University of Iowa in 2005, and to the University of Pittsburgh in 2008. It publishes the journal Variaciones Borges. With brief remarks by Ivan Almeida, Alfredo Alonso Estenoz & Daniel Balderston. Reception in 1309 Cathedral of Learning immediately following lecture. For more information, contact Connie Tomko: [connie@pitt.edu](mailto:connie@pitt.edu).

### **Lecture: “The Two Versions of General Santa Anna’s Leg and Other Things”**

Friday, October 10, 2008  
2:00pm - 3:30pm  
Carnegie Museum of Art Theatre Hall

Address by Luis Camnitzer, Professor Emeritus of Art at State University of New York, College of Old Westbury. This is the opening talk of the History of Art and Architecture graduate student symposium: "Storytelling: Playful Interactions and Spaces of Imagination," to take place October 10-12, 2008.

**Film: "GUBRA (Anxiety)"**

Friday, October 10, 2008  
7:30pm  
Melwood Screening Room, University of Pittsburgh

A film by Yasmin Ahmad. A trailer for this film can be viewed at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=hZ-5PPz8U\\_4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hZ-5PPz8U_4). This film is shown as part of the "Islam and Popular Culture in Indonesia and Malaysia" Conference.

**Film: Japanese Film Festival: "Nana"**

Friday, October 10, 2008  
7:30pm  
Cathedral of Learning G24, University of Pittsburgh

Nana (2005), based on the bestselling comic by top-ranked author Ai Yazawa. Two girls, sharing the same name and age but different as can be, meet on a train to Tokyo. The cheerful and naive Nana Komatsu plans to live with her boyfriend, while tough and cool Nana Osaki dreams of making it big with her punk band. When things don't quite go the way either imagined, they find themselves facing the world together as an unlikely friendship blooms. For more information, contact Jennifer Murawski, [jennm@pitt.edu](mailto:jennm@pitt.edu).

**Conference: "Islam and Popular Culture in Indonesia and Malaysia"**

Friday, October 10, 2008  
Martin Colloquium Conference Room, 4127 Sennott Square, 210 S. Bouquet St.

Home to approximately one-fifth of the world's Muslim population, Indonesia and Malaysia are often overlooked or misrepresented in media discourses about Islam. Ideas, sounds, images, gestures, and meanings about Islam abound in contemporary popular cultural forms including film, music, television, radio, comics, fashion, magazines, and cyberspace. By focusing on popular culture, we will emphasize the dynamic, contested, and performative nature of Islam in contemporary Indonesia and Malaysia. If you wish to register to attend the lectures and panel discussions, please contact Dianne Dakis at [dakis@pitt.edu](mailto:dakis@pitt.edu). For more information, visit <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/asc/conference/index.html> or contact Andrew Weintraub, [anwein@pitt.edu](mailto:anwein@pitt.edu).

## **CMU's International Festival: "Education Without Borders: Global Learning in the 21st Century"**

Friday, October 10 – Saturday, October 11, 2008

Throughout its 18 years, CMU's International Festival has provided the community with a unique opportunity – a chance to engage and explore world cultures, pressing issues, and fascinating traditions through a wide range of mediums. This year will be no different. It is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the 2008 International Festival: "Education Without Borders: Global Learning in the 21st Century."

With a full schedule from Friday, October 10 through Saturday, October 11, 2008 Carnegie Mellon's University Center will be transformed into a world of exploration with workshops, lectures, performances, food, and films. The International Festival planning committee, comprised of students, faculty, and staff has put together a festival of captivating programs and events intended to bring to light issues involving education around the world.

Do not miss the keynote lecture- "*Muppet Diplomacy: How Sesame Street is Changing Our World*" by Gary Knell, President & CEO of the Sesame Workshop on Friday, October 10th at 12:30pm in Rangos Ballroom. A movement called Sesame Street that started in the 1960's has grown to reach children in over 140 countries– using the magnetic appeal of television to improve their lives. As the single largest informal educator of young children, local Sesame Street programs are created to focus on the unique educational needs within each country, such as the stigma around HIV/AIDS in South Africa, girls' education in Egypt, and respect and understanding in Northern Ireland. Gary Knell, President and CEO, will share insight into how Sesame Workshop develops these programs, how they address local educational needs, and the impact they are making around the world. The lecture will take place over lunch and will be followed by time for Q&A. Tickets for the lecture are free and include lunch for all attendees. Tickets will be available at the UC Information Desk beginning October 2nd.

For a truly entertaining and cultural closing to the festival, be sure to attend *the musical performance by Etran Finatawa- a nomadic blues group from Niger- on Saturday, October 11th in Rangos Ballroom*. Etran Finatawa's musicians come from Niger, one of the three poorest countries in the world. Niger has a very rich cultural heritage and sits at a desert crossroads between the Berber and Arab cultures of the North and the many sub-Saharan cultures of the South. In Niger there are eleven different ethnic groups most of whom are farmers or pastoralists, both sedentary and nomadic. Amongst them are the Tuareg and Wodaabe, many of whom are still nomadic. They move with their camels, long-horned cattle, sheep, goats and donkeys seeking pastures along the Sahelian savannah at the fringes of the South Sahara. Etran Finatawa was formed as a band at the time of the 2004 Festival in the Desert near Timbuctou. The literal meaning of their name is 'the stars of tradition'. They are the first group to use the songs and music of the Wodaabe in a modern context. In Niger their music has a cult following and their songs are sung by the young and school children all over the country. Etran Finatawa will present two 45-minute concerts to the Carnegie Mellon community. Free tickets for the 7:30pm and 9pm shows will be available at the UC Information Desk beginning October 2nd and at the International Festival/Family Weekend Welcome Table throughout the International Festival.

There will be something for everyone at this year's International Festival – from an art gallery depicting global illiteracy, a book drive, lectures and presentations raising issues of global education, a global marketplace with food and crafts for sale, and a study abroad fair highlighting education abroad opportunities for our students. Take a look at the schedule at <http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/oie/internationalfestival/> and see what sparks your interest.

**Conference: 2008 Conference on Refugee Warehousing**

Friday, October 10 – Sunday, October 12, 2008

Presented by FORGE (Facilitating Opportunities for Refugee Growth and Empowerment) and the Global Studies Program at the University of Pittsburgh.

Keynote Speakers: Dr. Barbara Harrell-Bond OBE (The American University in Cairo) and Merrill Smith (U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants).

The situation of refugees stuck in 'temporary' shelters with the denial of basic human rights is unacceptable. However, finding alternatives to the situation requires consideration of complex issues. The 2008 Conference on Refugee Warehousing will offer a forum to consider the issues and strengthen the movement against refugee warehousing.

Participants and speakers include: Khadra Mohammed (Executive Director of the Pittsburgh Refugee Center), Judy Wakahiu (Executive Director of the Refugee Consortium in Kenya), and Abraham A. Awolich (Co-Director and Co-Founder of New Sudan Education Initiative).

For more information, visit [www.refugeeconference.org](http://www.refugeeconference.org) or contact Ellie Ott: [warehousing08@refugeeconference.org](mailto:warehousing08@refugeeconference.org).

**Performance: “Rock Meets Islam in Indonesia”**

Saturday, October 11, 2008

8:00pm

Bellefield Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh

Featuring Rhoma Irama and Soneta, with Pittsburgh's own Dangdut Cowboys. Free and open to the public, but space is limited.

**Lecture: “Understanding Conditions in Iraq After the Surge”**

Monday, October 13, 2008

4:30pm

Adamson Wing Auditorium, 136A Baker Hall

This lecture, by Robert Behrman, EPP, First Lieutenant, United States Army Reserve, presents a description of the political, social, economic and security situations in Iraq from firsthand involvement and experience, and describes some of the complexities affecting American reconstruction efforts. This lecture is intended to present background and firsthand information on the country; information that is difficult to learn without personal experience in the country,

but is essential for understanding the news, developments, and decisions that affect that country. This lecture is part of the University Lecture Series.

**Reception/Film: “Courting Justice”**

Tuesday, October 14, 2008

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Teplitz Memorial Moot Courtroom, Barco Law Building, University of Pittsburgh

“Courting Justice” is produced by Luna Films and created by Ruth B. Cowan. The film is directed by Jane Lipman. The film illustrates how the new constitution in post-apartheid South Africa partially lived up to its goals of promoting women’s rights. Essential to keeping these promises, indeed mandated by the constitution, is a diverse judiciary--one that includes women. By 2008, 18 percent of the superior court were women. “Courting Justice” is their story. Ruth B. Cowan, the film’s creator, will speak following the film, and South African attorney Litemba Velleman will offer his perspectives on the South African judiciary. Reception to follow in the Alcoa Room, 2nd floor. For more information, contact Gina Clark: 412-648-7023., glclark@pitt.edu.

**Lecture: “Roma and Elementary Education in Slovakia”**

Wednesday, October 15, 2008

12:00pm - 1:30pm

4217 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Lecture by Monika Krajcovicova from the Faculty of Education in Presov, Slovakia. For more information, contact Anna Talone: 412-648-7407, crees@pitt.edu.

**Film: “Temporada de Patos”**

Wednesday, October 15, 2008

7:30pm

Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh

Dir. Fernando Eimbcke (Mexico - 2004). Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano Fall 2008 Film Series. Today Latin American film is among the best in the world. All this and more will be part of the Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano 2008 Fall Series named Historias minimas (Short Stories), with a special homage to Argentina for its outstanding film production. Also look out for a selection of unique films about women. Some films are adult in nature and may not be appropriate for young audiences. For more information, contact amigoscinelatinoamericano08@gmail.com

**Lecture: “The Colombia Free Trade Agreement: Not Free, Not Trade, Not an Agreement”**

Thursday, October 16, 2008

3:00pm - 5:00pm

4130 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

With elections just around the corner, free trade has become one of the foremost concerns of the US public and the candidates hoping to represent us. Meanwhile, Congress is still considering a

NAFTA-style agreement with war-torn Colombia. What would this new NAFTA mean for Colombia and the US? Why are Colombians organizing under threat of death to halt this trade agreement? Freddy Caicedo exposed the extermination of Afro and indigenous Colombians as a human rights investigator; he works alongside unionists under death threat; runs a community center to remember the war's victims and chart strategies for peace; he taught human rights courses in public schools; and he organized with Christian-based communities. Organized by: Witness for Peace, Mid-Atlantic Speaker Tour October 2008. For more information, contact Ben Beachy: 202 403 1752, wfpma@witnessforpeace.org.

**Lecture: “Unintentional Intolerance”**

Thursday, October 16, 2008

4:30pm

McConomy Auditorium, UC

Nationally-known Dr. Steve L. Robbins, speaker, professor, writer and consultant, will inspire attendees with his performance on “Unintentional Intolerance.”

Research and experience tell us that we all have biases that we are often unaware of. Yet, these biases guide us on a daily basis. Could we be making “bad” decisions and engaging in exclusive behavior without knowing? Dr. Robbins underscores the message that when it comes to diversity and inclusion, “we are in this boat together.”

His stories and examples give listeners greater insight into the diverse society that already exists, and how our thinking about diversity issues might need a little tweaking if we are to be successful, now and in the future. Come laugh, cry, think and explore at Dr. Robbins’ one-of-a-kind presentation.

This lecture is part of the University Lecture Series.

**Film: African Film Series: “Thomas Sankara: The Upright Man”**

Thursday, October 16, 2008

5:00pm - 7:00pm

4130 WWPH, University of Pittsburgh

The African film series will illuminate realities of modern African life from a variety of artistic visions. Each of the selections brings to life contemporary issues and allows the viewers to share in the sights and sounds of this diverse continent with its cultural traditions. The first film in the series is “Thomas Sankara: The Upright Man.” As Africa looks desperately for leaders of integrity and vision, the life and ideals of the late Thomas Sankara seem more and more relevant and exemplary with the passage of time. This film goes a long way towards explaining why, though largely forgotten in his own country; Sankara is still very much venerated as the African Che, a legendary martyr like Patrice Lumumba or Amilcar Cabral who believed in the total liberation of their people. The film recovers for the present a detailed history of Sankara’s brief four-year rule and his revolutionary program for African self-reliance as a defiant alternative to the neo-liberal development strategies imposed on Africa by the west, both then and today. For more information, contact Macrina C. Lelei: 412-648-2058, africast@pitt.edu.

**Lecture: “The Transnational Diffusion of Anti-Communism: Conservative Women in Brazil and Chile in the 1960s and 1970s”**

Friday, October 17, 2008

12:00pm

Sociology conference room, 2431 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Professor Power is an historian at Illinois IT. he is the author of *Right-Wing Women in Chile: Feminine Power and the Struggle Against Allende, 1964-1973*, and co-editor of *Right-Wing Women: From Conservatives to Extremists Around the World*. Hosted by Pittsburgh Social Movement Forum of the Department of Sociology.

**Lecture: “Troubled Apologies Among Japan, Korea, and the United States”**

Friday, October 17, 2008

4:00pm - 6:00pm

3703 Posvar Hall (History Dept. Lounge), University of Pittsburgh

Japan Council Lecture Series by Alexis Dudden, Associate Professor of History at the University of Connecticut, author of “Japan’s Colonization of Korea: Discourse and Power” (Hawaii, 2005).

**Performance: “Tradition and Its Change: Traditional and Contemporary Korean Music and Dance”**

Sunday, October 19, 2008

3:00pm

Synod Hall, Oakland (N. Craig St. behind St. Paul’s Cathedral)

There are over 300 types of traditional dances taught and performed in Korea. Come to the fall 2008 tour of Tradition and its Changes: Traditional and Contemporary Korean Dance and Music, performed by the Seoul-based NOW Dance Company, for a sampling of Korea’s dance heritage and its innovative contemporary choreography. The show will feature eight music and dance numbers, ranging from the ancient, spiritual whirling of Korean shamans in munyomu, to the stark, modern movements of the hojong. All proceeds will benefit the Korean Heritage Room Committee of the Nationality Rooms at the University of Pittsburgh. Cost: \$10 students/seniors, \$15 general admission. For more information, contact Pro Arts Tickets: 412-394-3353

**Cultural Event: Euripides’ “The Bacchae”**

Sunday, October 19, 2008

7:00pm

Bellefield Auditorium, 315 S. Bellefield Avenue

The Theatrical Scheme of Leonidas Loizides of Athens, Greece, will present a production of Euripides’ “The Bacchae.” This production is adapted for an all-female cast in Greek with simultaneous English translation on large screen. The play weaves the themes of globalization, interculturization and tolerance, in a society maturing from conflict and exclusion towards a collaborative world of optimism and vision. A world that also accomodates and accepts the role and the power of women in shaping this new vision. Cost: \$15.00 in advance; \$20.00 at the door.

For more information, contact American Hellenic Foundation of Western Pennsylvania - (412) 835-4352; (412) 692-8127; info@pahellenicfoundation.org

**Lecture: “Why Do They Love Us So Much? Cultural Diplomacy, Globalization and the Young Performing Artist”**

Monday, October 20, 2008

4:30pm

Adamson Wing Auditorium, 136A Baker Hall

American Voices was founded by Pianist and Executive Director **John Ferguson** (CMU music, 1979 and 1983) in 1993 to provide American cultural exchange programs to countries emerging from isolation and conflict. American Voices regularly conducts cultural diplomacy and youth education programs in Iraq, Afghanistan, Sudan and Egypt. American Voices’ artists have performed hip hop, opera, Broadway and jazz in over 95 countries around the globe. This lecture is part of the University Lecture Series, and is co-sponsored by the School of Music.

**Lecture: “Climate Change and Energy Polics: Advice to Our Next President”**

Monday, October 20, 2008

5:00pm

Mellon Institute Auditorium, 4400 Fifth Avenue (please use the S. Bellefield Ave. entrance)

Teresa Heinz, the Heinz Awards and the H. John Heinz III School of Public Policy and Management, Carnegie Mellon University invite you to Heinz Talks: Climate Change and Energy Policy - Advice to our Next President. Reception to follow.

What direction will our energy policy take in the next four years? Four leaders will give their perspectives on climate change and energy policy and the resulting impact on economic growth and technological innovation. The discussion will focus on bold and critical recommendations for our next president.

Welcome and introduction by Teresa Heinz. Chairman of The Heinz Endowments and the Heinz Family Philanthropies, Mrs. Heinz is recognized as a premier environmental leader and advocate on behalf of women’s health and economic security. With her husband, Senator John Kerry of Massachusetts, she is co-author of *This Moment on Earth: Today’s New Environmentalists and Their Vision for the Future*. Mrs. Heinz established the Heinz Awards in 1993 to honor and sustain the legacy of her late husband, U.S. Senator John Heinz.

Moderated by Moira Gunn, host, NPR’s Tech Nation. Host of Tech Nation and BioTech Nation, which air on National Public Radio and internationally to 133 countries and is produced at the studios of KQED in San Francisco. Dr. Gunn is also Program Director of Information Systems at the College of Professional Studies, University of San Francisco.

Speakers:

John Holdren, Teresa and John Heinz Professor of Environmental Policy and Director of the Program on Science, Technology, and Public Policy at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, as well as President and Director of the independent, non-profit Woods Hole

Research Center. He is also the recipient of the 7th annual Heinz Award for Public Policy.

Lee Branstetter, Associate Professor of Economics and Public Policy, Heinz School and Department of Social and Decision Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University.

Granger Morgan, Lord Chair Professor in Engineering; Professor and Department Head, Engineering and Public Policy; Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering and the Heinz School, Carnegie Mellon University.

Melissa Young, second year student in the Heinz School's Master of Science in Public Policy and Management program and recipient of the Otto Davis Scholarship.

To RSVP please contact Kristin Niceswanger at (412) 268-6066 or [kristinn@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:kristinn@andrew.cmu.edu) no later than Tuesday, October 14.

**Lecture: "Yellow: Asian Americans and the Changing Face of Our Nation"**

Tuesday, October 21, 2008

5:00pm – 6:00pm (reception and book signing to follow)

Giant Eagle Auditorium, Baker Hall

Frank H. Wu will offer a provocative new paradigm for race relations that includes Asian immigrants and Asian Americans. He discusses how we can achieve our ideals as our nation undergoes a profound demographic transformation that will make all of us minorities. Using anecdotes, history, and social science, he will challenge the audience to think about issues of diversity in a different manner that reaches out not only to whites and blacks but everyone who belongs to our nation.

Frank Wu is the author of "Yellow: Race in America Beyond Black and White" and is immediate past dean of the Wayne State University Law School. Prior to that he was a law professor at Howard University. He is currently a visiting professor at the University of Maryland and also a Trustee of Gallaudet University. He is a recipient of the Chang-Lin Tien Award from the Asian Pacific Fund, given for leadership in higher education.

This lecture, which is part of the University Lecture Series, is sponsored by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Grant. Contact [grad-ed@cmu.edu](mailto:grad-ed@cmu.edu) with any questions regarding this event.

**Lecture: "Transnational Challenges to Security"**

Thursday, October 23, 2008

7:30pm

Room 1500, Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Brian Katulis is a Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress, where his work focuses on U.S. national security policy with an emphasis on the Middle East, Iraq, the Arab-Israeli conflict, and Pakistan. He is co-author (with Ambassador Nancy Soderberg) of The Prosperity Agenda, a book on U.S. national security published by John Wiley & Sons in the summer of 2008. At the Center, he also serves as an advisor to the Middle East Progress project. Katulis has served as a

consultant to numerous U.S. government agencies, private corporations, and non-governmental organizations on projects in two dozen countries, including Iraq, Pakistan, Yemen, Egypt, Colombia, Morocco, and Bangladesh.

His previous experience includes work on the Policy Planning Staff at the State Department from 1999 to 2000, a graduate fellowship at the National Security Council's Near East and South Asian Affairs Directorate in 1998, and work in the Department of Defense during his undergraduate studies. From 1995 to 1998, he lived and worked in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and Egypt for the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs.

This event is co-sponsored by the National Security Network, the Global Studies Program at the University Center for International Studies, CERIS, and the Pittsburgh Middle East Institute.

### **Luncheon/Discussion: “Brazil – U.S. Relations, Bilateral, Regional & Global Agendas”**

Thursday, October 30, 2008

12:00pm - 1:45pm

The Rivers Club, One Oxford Center, 301 Grant St., Downtown Pittsburgh

Discussion with His Excellency, Antonio Patriota, Ambassador of Brazil to the United States

Brazil is among the world’s fastest growing economies, and its global role is changing as well. Central to its foreign policy is its leadership within South America as well as its relationship with the U.S. Regional stability, economics and trade, and environmental and energy issues are all at the forefront of the country’s increasingly important international agenda.

Prior to assuming his current role, Ambassador Patriota served as Under Secretary General for Political Affairs in Brazil’s Ministry of Foreign Relations. He was promoted to Ambassador in December 2003 and served as Chief of Staff to the Minister of Foreign Relations. His prior service including assignments as Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to the World Trade Organization in Geneva, as Political Counselor at Brazil’s Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, Head of the Economic Section of the Brazilian Embassy in Caracas and as Political Counselor at the Brazilian Embassy in Beijing.

For more information or to register, visit <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.org/programs.jsp>.

### **Short Course: “India Today”**

Friday, October 31 – Sunday, November 2, 2008

As global citizens, students need to have a working knowledge of other countries which are important in shaping the corporate, social and political world. As a rising state in the world economy, India’s status in the business and in world affairs is shifting.

This short course will explore how these three factors interact in India and in the perceived position of India as a world economy. It will explore questions such as:

- To what extent has India’s capacity to innovate and education been able to keep up with the industrial growth in recent years?

- Are the industrialized countries losing their monopoly on innovation? To what extent are the fears that they are, well-founded? Is this a zero-sum game?
- What are the major impediments to India's economic and business growth?
- (Compare and contrast policy debates, environmental impacts etc of economic growth between those of the U.S. and India)
- (What does the economic growth mean for:
  - An economically well-off American citizen? An American of lower economic status?
  - An affluent Indian citizen? A poor Indian citizen?)
- What are the current and future challenges of multinational firms in developing countries and what needs to happen to move towards the path of overcoming these?

The course will open with two keynote lectures on Friday evening on an overview of the issues. This will be followed by 3 or 4 two- hour instructional lectures on Saturday on the various themes by experts in the fields. Sunday morning will be a discussion of two case studies and a panel discussion by the speakers on future challenges, and some possible projections/ recommendations.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: STUDY ABROAD**

### **Study Abroad Program Representatives on Campus**

The study abroad programs listed below will have representatives visiting Carnegie Mellon. Feel free to visit their tables in the University Center, or contact the Office of International Education at [goAbroad@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:goAbroad@andrew.cmu.edu), to set up a time to meet.

- **IES Auckland**, New Zealand – Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, Gael Howard hosting a table in Wean Commons 11-2pm
- **University of Manchester** – Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, Stephanie Nixon hosting a table in Wean Commons 11-2pm
- **IES Barcelona** – Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, Cesar Alsina hosting a table in Wean Commons 11-2pm

### **Study Abroad Information Session**

The Office of International Education is offering one final study abroad information session for the fall semester:

Wednesday, October 29 - Connan Room, UC, 5-6pm

If you have not already attended an info session, please plan to attend this session to receive general information regarding study abroad opportunities and process. Returnees will be present to talk about their experiences.

For more information about study abroad visit [www.cmu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.cmu.edu/studyabroad)

### **Study Abroad Fair**

Friday, October 10, 2008

4:00pm – 7:00pm  
Rangos 2 & 3, UC

Students will be able to meet with representatives from a wide variety of work, volunteer and study abroad programs and opportunities. Over 30 organizations will be in attendance.

### **Seeking Employment Opportunities Abroad Workshop**

Tuesday, October 21, 2008  
Rangos 3, UC  
4:30pm - 5:30pm

OIE and the Career Center will present information on working, volunteering and interning abroad.

### **Study Abroad Information Session for Science, Engineering and Computer Science**

Wednesday, October 22, 2008  
Connan Room, UC  
5:00pm – 6:00pm

Information session focusing on students in MCS, SCS and CIT needs and issues in studying abroad.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS**

### **Information Session: Friedman Internship Program**

Tuesday, October 28, 2008  
5:00pm - 7:00pm  
Carnegie West Conference Room, Warner Hall, First Floor

We have scheduled our Friedman Information Session for students interested in the 2009 Summer Washington, D.C. Intern program.

We'll be there to share information about the Friedman Program, the application process, and placement assistance. Some of our previous interns will be there to share their DC Summer Internship experiences and to help answer any questions the students might have. Pizza, cookies, and soft drinks will be provided!

### **Small Undergraduate Research Grants (SURG)**

Ideas bubbling? Research support is available! SURG Proposal Deadline: October 15, 2008.

Small Undergraduate Research Grants (SURG) are open to ALL undergraduates in any discipline, freshman-seniors. Grants are available of up to \$500 for single entries and up to \$1,000 for group entries to cover such things as the costs of supplies and materials, time on laboratory equipment, or travel to another city for archives.

The deadline for Spring 2009 SURG proposals is Wednesday, October 15th at 5:00 PM. Apply online at [www.cmu.edu/uro/](http://www.cmu.edu/uro/). We strongly recommend that you review a draft of your proposal with the URO Director, Stephanie Wallach, well prior to the deadline. To make an appointment, e-mail Stephanie Wallach ([sw4s@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:sw4s@andrew.cmu.edu)) or Jen Weidenhof ([jweidenh@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:jweidenh@andrew.cmu.edu)).

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: CAREERS/INTERNSHIPS**

### **Peace Corps Information Session (10/22)**

Interested in Peace Corps service? Join us October 22 at 12:00pm to find out about life in the Peace Corps. This informative session will open with a presentation by Pittsburgh's Peace Corps Recruiter, who can answer your questions about different program sectors, volunteer positions, the application process, and the benefits of service. The session will conclude with country-specific tables hosted by Heinz School students that have served as Peace Corps Volunteers in various program sectors around the world.

When: Wednesday, October 22, 12:00-1:20 pm

Where: Hamburg Hall, Room 1001

Why: So you'll never start a sentence with "I should've"

### **Information Session: Friedman Internship Program (10/28)**

Please see "Announcements: Scholarships/Fellowships" for details.

### **Pittsburgh Federal Career Day (10/29)**

Interested in finding out about government jobs? Then come learn about opportunities with federal, state and local agencies.

Date: Wednesday, October 29, 2008

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: University of Pittsburgh – William Pitt Union

Representatives from over 70 departments and agencies will be attending.

To register, log into TartanTRAK and select "Events" from the top menu bar. Use the "Workshop" tab and select gov/next generation government careers: Pittsburgh Federal Career Day. RSVP at the bottom of this page to complete the registration process.

For additional information visit [www.gspia.pitt.edu](http://www.gspia.pitt.edu) and go to Upcoming Events.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

### **Information Session: Tepper Additional Major (10/20)**

There will be an information session on the additional major in business on Monday, October 20 at 4:30pm in Simon Auditorium. Current juniors may apply for the additional major October 20-24. Any students interested in the additional major should attend the information session and review the website: <http://tepper.cmu.edu/undergraduate-business/academics/additional-major-in-business-administration/index.aspx>.

### **Workshop: “The Graduate Decision: Weighing Your Options”**

Tuesday, October 14, 2008

4:30pm – 5:30pm

University Center, McKenna/Peter/Wright

Deciding whether or not to go on to a graduate program? How much of an advantage will a graduate degree provide in the job market? Should you enroll right away or wait a few years? This workshop will provide information that could help you make a decision that’s right for you.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: CONFERENCES/PUBLICATIONS**

### **Global Youth Conference 2008**

The Youth-to-Youth Community is proud to host this year’s Global Youth Conference titled Empowering a Generation: Building Skills and Capacities in Youth. It will be held on October 23, 2008 at the Preston Auditorium, World Bank Headquarters, Washington, D.C.

Main themes:

1. Skills and Sustainability
2. Leveraging Partnerships: The Role of Various Stakeholders
3. Best Practices and Challenges in Youth Programs

With more than half of the world’s population being under 25, a holistic approach to youth development is necessary to address the growing educational and employment needs of this young demographic. The conference will focus on how to ensure that youth have the adequate tools and competencies to earn a dignified livelihood and positively impact their communities. This event will allow for interactive discussions on innovative ideas that can achieve broader impact, scale, and sustainability within its three main themes.

This conference is particularly unique - it is led by youth, for youth and organized entirely by World Bank young bank staff with the objective of reaching out to the broader youth community, practitioners and academia to exchange lessons learned and debate new ideas with the common goal of empowering the world’s youth.

The conference is free and open to participants from all over the world. For more information please email [youthcommunity@worldbank.org](mailto:youthcommunity@worldbank.org).

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