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EVENTS

Panel Discussion: “Pittsburgh’s Ties to Europe”

Thursday, May 7, 2009

7:30am – 9:30am

Rivers Club, 301 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Global Business Breakfast Briefing, Panel Discussion and Networking Event. Sponsored by a grant from the European Union

Join the World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh and globally-minded Pittsburgh professionals for a conversation about the area’s ties to Europe. Economic, political, and cultural relations will be discussed in a panel discussion with European leaders in the region. The discussion will be moderated by Jean-Pierre Collet, Head of the Pittsburgh Consular Association.

There is no charge for this program. Please reserve your place by May 5th. Visit <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.org> for more details or to register.

Conference: “Language, Literature and Identity in the European Union”

Friday, May 8, 2009

8:30am - 5:30pm

Pittsburgh Athletic Association, 4215 5th Ave., Pittsburgh

This one-day conference brings together linguists, anthropologists, and scholars of literature to look at the patterns of intersection between language, literature, and expressions of identity in the changing and enlarging contexts of the European Union. Specifically, EU policy has encouraged the redevelopment and legitimization of less-used or minority languages within the framework of

a wider sense of European unity. This conference will be concerned with how this aspect of EU policy has been taken up in practice. Relationships between language, literature, and politics will be one major focus of the conference. A second focus will be on problems of standardization in language presentation. A third will be on the scope for creativity and imaginative performances of identity in the broader senses of the term that is opened up through EU policies and the association between EU identity and minority categories of people within the European Union. For more information, contact Pamela J. Stewart: pamjan@pitt.edu.

Luncheon/Discussion: “An American Diplomacy for the 21st Century”

Thursday, May 14, 2009

12:00pm – 1:45pm

Duquesne Club, Main Dining Room, 325 Sixth Ave, downtown Pittsburgh

Discussion with Ambassador Marc Grossman, Vice Chairman, The Cohen Group; Former Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; Chairman, World Affairs Councils of America.

Allen H. and Selma W. Berkman Memorial Lecture on International Law and Politics.

Since 9.11, we have come to realize how fundamentally the world has changed, how the nature of America’s power in the world has changed, and that our foreign policy needs to adapt to these new realities. What exactly does this mean? What role does diplomacy play in a world of globalized information, commerce, and even violence? How should we approach the diplomatic challenges facing the United States?

Prior to his retirement in 2005 after 29 years in the Foreign Service, Ambassador Grossman served as Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, the third-ranking position in the Department. A Career Ambassador, his distinguished career included senior assignments as the Director General of the Foreign Service, Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, and U.S. Ambassador to Turkey, as well as Special Assistant to the Secretary of State. A graduate of the University of California, he holds an M.Sc. degree in International Relations from the London School of Economics and Political Science. Since 2005, he has been Vice Chairman of The Cohen Group, and, in January 2009, he became Chairman of the World Affairs Councils of America, the national association of which the World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh is a member.

No refunds for cancellations after Tuesday, May 12th. Please advise in advance of any dietary restrictions. Visit <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.org> for more details or to register.

Luncheon/Discussion: “A Global Business Dialogue”

Thursday, May 28, 2009

12:00pm – 1:45pm

Duquesne Club, Main Dining Room, 325 Sixth Ave, downtown Pittsburgh

Discussion with Michael C. Maibach, President & CEO, European-American Business Council

2009 John T. Ryan, Jr. Memorial Lecture, On the Occasion of the 78th Annual Meeting: A Global Business Dialogue – With Support From a Grant From the European Commission

The Trans-Atlantic relationship is the most important commercial partnership in the world. With 11% of the world's population, this market produces 60% of the world's GDP and 40% of its trade. Trans-Atlantic investment, innovation, and trade foster prosperity in Europe, the United States and the world.

But as the global marketplace changes — and global wealth shifts from West to East — will this US-European nexus still drive future trade, innovation, and competitiveness?

Michael Maibach is President & CEO of the European-American Business Council, based in Washington DC. He previously served as vice president for government affairs at Intel, where he came to be known as a leading spokesman for America's electronics industry on trade and technology, testifying frequently before the U.S. Congress and publishing widely on policy issues. Prior to joining Intel, Maibach served as a government affairs manager at Caterpillar, Inc. and served in government in both elected and appointed positions. Maibach earned a BA and MA from NIU, a BA from California State University, a BS from American University, and an MA from Georgetown University. He also serves on the national Board of Directors of the World Affairs Councils of America.

No refunds for cancellations after Tuesday, May 26th. Please advise in advance of any dietary restrictions. Visit <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.org> for more details or to register.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: STUDY ABROAD

Summer/Fall Study Abroad: Last Chance for MANDATORY Orientation!

All students studying abroad this summer or in the fall semester must attend a pre-departure orientation session before they can study abroad. In addition, if you are studying abroad for academic credit you must attend to receive credit for your experience abroad.

For any students who did not attend one of the scheduled orientation sessions, the Study Abroad Office will be holding a make-up session for pre-departure on Monday, May 4th, from 3:30-4:30pm in OIE (Warner Hall 3rd floor). You must call 412-268-5231 to register for the make-up session.

To summarize your options:

1. Call 412-268-5231 to register for the make-up Pre-departure Orientation and attend on Monday, May 4th from 3:30-4:30pm.
2. Email goabroad@andrew.cmu.edu to let us know that you have already attended pre-departure in a previous semester. We will then check our records and email you back with the paperwork you must complete prior to study abroad.
3. If you cannot attend the make-up session, please call 412-268-5231 to schedule an individual pre-departure orientation session with your study abroad advisor.
4. Email goabroad@andrew.cmu.edu to let us know that you are no longer planning to study abroad.

All study abroad paperwork must be completed and turned into OIE by Wednesday, May 6th and certainly before you leave campus this semester.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS

For scholarships/fellowships related to study abroad, please see “Announcements: Study Abroad.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS: CONFERENCES/PUBLICATIONS

Communication Symposium: “Global Teaching, Global Learning”

June 29 – July 1, 2009

Please join us for this year’s Communication Symposium on June 29, 30, and July 1 (Mon-Wed) and let us know you’re coming!

Our theme is “Global Teaching, Global Learning,” and our guest speakers (and expert resources!) include Jodi Crandall from the University of Maryland (UMBC) and Vivian Zamel from the University of Massachusetts in Boston (UMass Boston).

Visit <http://english.cmu.edu/research/symposium/index.html> for brief information about the symposium.

The schedule is still in process, but here is a brief overview.

On Monday June 29—Admissions in Doha & Pittsburgh, talk by Jodi Crandall, and afternoon discussions about how we understand and interpret “culture” for designing academic and metacurricular experiences.

On Tuesday, June 30—Talk by Vivian Zamel, discussions about how our pedagogies interact with multilingual students’ needs in the global teaching and learning context.

On Wednesday, July 1—Presentations and discussions about understanding literacy as developmental across the curriculum and across the 4 undergraduate years. Wrap up by Jodi Crandall.

If you have questions about the program, please email the symposium coordinator Danielle Wetzel (dfz@andrew.cmu.edu).

****Please send your RSVP to Emily McCall (emccall@cmu.edu), the Symposium Co-Coordinator.****

Annual Conference: Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA)

October 22-24, 2009

Washington, D.C.

The second annual conference of the Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA) will be held October 22-24, 2009, at the Key Bridge Marriott in Washington, D.C.

Entitled, *The Middle East and Africa: Historic Connections and Strategic Bridges*, the conference will feature presentations and roundtables that demonstrate the inter-relationships between the two regions over time with special emphasis on the historical, political, economic, religious, security and cultural links between them.

Advance registration for ASMEA's conference gives members access to every panel and roundtable, as well as the keynote luncheon, at a significantly discounted rate. Registration includes tickets for the welcome reception, the breakfast buffet each morning, the keynote luncheon, and snacks and beverages.

Advance Registration Rates

Full/Associate Members - \$50 ([Register now](#))

Student Members - \$30 ([Register now](#))

Non-Members - \$150 ([Register now](#))

Call for Papers

The Association currently is seeking proposals to present papers at the 2009 conference. Abstracts should pertain to theme of the conference and consist of a one page outline of the subject. All contact data must be attached to the proposal (name, email, phone number, affiliation). The due date for proposals is June 1, 2009. Proposals should be sent to: info@asmeascholars.org.

ASMEA members from any discipline who are tenured or untenured faculty may submit proposals to participate on specific panels in the conference. Unique proposals from senior graduate students (ABD) also will be considered. Participants on the panels may attend the conference free of charge. All decisions to invite presenters to participate on panels will be made by the Association's officers and members of the Academic Council. The due date for completed papers is Sept. 1, 2009.

More details about how to submit a paper proposal can be found [here](#).

Referees and Discussants

Members of the Association who are interested in participating in the conference as referees of papers or discussants should contact ASMEA by email with a letter of interest and the panels/areas you are interested in covering. Please include all current contact data (name, email, phone number) and a brief recitation of your past experience in these roles. Referees and discussants may attend the conference free of charge. Interested parties should send an email to: info@asmeascholars.org.

Institute for Cultural Diplomacy June 2009 Seminars in Berlin

The Institute for Cultural Diplomacy is currently accepting applications for the four Weeklong Seminars detailed below, taking place in Berlin during Spring 2009. Each Seminar will bring together young leaders interested in the relationship in question for a five-day program of lectures, workshops, group discussions and cultural excursions featuring leading figures from the fields of politics, the arts, academia, media, and business.

Cultural Diplomacy in the Mediterranean: A Forum for Young Leaders (June 9th – 13th)

Europe Meets East Asia: A Forum for Young Leaders (June 16th – 21st)

Cultural Diplomacy in Europe: A Forum for Young Leaders (June 21st – 26th)

USA Meets Germany: A Forum for Young Leaders (June 29th – July 3rd)

For more information, visit www.culturaldiplomacy.org.

FOR FACULTY

Fulbright Scholar Program for US Faculty and Professionals

The Fulbright Scholar Program for US Faculty and Professionals for 2010-2011 is open.

The Fulbright Scholar Program offers 105 awards in lecturing, research or combined lecturing/research in business administration, including six Fulbright Distinguished Chairs. Even better, faculty and professionals in business administration also can apply for one of the 144 "All Discipline" awards open to all fields.

What does Fulbright offer in business administration? Here are a few of the awards for 2010-2011:

Western Hemisphere: 22 countries in this region, which spans Canada, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Opportunities exist in business, finance, entrepreneurship and economics in countries such as Jamaica, Barbados, Panama, Canada and Jamaica.

Southern and Western Europe: Award #0222 - Business in Bulgaria; Award #0394 - Business Administration and Economics in Turkey; Award #0283 - Business/Administration, and Award #0294 - Tourism in Ireland.

Northern and Eastern Europe: The region offers unique opportunities for specialists to conduct research on post-communist economic transitions and market reforms or assist in the development of new MBA and economics programs. Opportunities exist in such specializations as management, international business, marketing, finance, e-business, tourism, accounting and agrobusiness.

Middle East: Examples include Award #0428 - Social Sciences and Business Administration, and Award #0429 - Tourism in Egypt; Award #0458 - Business Administration and Management in Oman (MBA or PhD preferred).

The application deadline is August 1, 2009. U.S. citizenship is required. For a full, detailed listing of all Fulbright programs and other eligibility requirements visit our website at www.cies.org, or send a request for materials to scholars@cies.iie.org.

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