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**TOPIC:** *Learning From the World: New Ideas to Redevelop America*

**SPEAKERS:** **Joe Colombano**, Economic Advisor, Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

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America undisputedly ruled the latter half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. But the country that lead the world for many years has fallen behind in many areas. Other countries, less economically and socially developed, are in some ways more advanced than America. America can learn much from countries as far away and diverse as Bhutan, Chile, Denmark, Nigeria, and South Korea.

At this program, Joe Colombano and Aniket Shah will provide a systematic review of successful policies undertaken overseas and their relevance to the United States. Their discussion will focus on healthcare, but will include other areas as well, highlighting policy, fiscal discipline and economic growth in other countries that can be instructive to the U.S. and contribute to the future of the American economy.

Joe Colombano is economic advisor in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations. An economist with over 15 years of experience in emerging markets, Joe has built a career in development finance, first at the World Bank in Washington DC, and later in London, at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, including as advisor to its Board of Directors. He received his graduate degrees from the University of Warwick in the U.K. and Harvard University in the US.

Aniket Shah is a global strategist at Investec Asset Management. His research covers North American and emerging markets, specifically in Africa and Asia. At Investec, he is a leading member of the Investec Investment Institute, a newly formed thought-leadership platform for the firm. Prior to his current role, Aniket served as special assistant and senior researcher to Professor Jeffrey Sachs at The Earth Institute in New York City. In this role, Aniket managed development projects throughout Africa and Asia. Aniket graduated with honors from Yale College.