



UNITED STATES-MEXICO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CÁMARA DE COMERCIO MÉXICO-ESTADOS UNIDOS

XVII Congressional NAFTA & Border Issues Conference

Tentative Agenda

Invited Speakers

Thursday, October 26, 2017
Library of Congress

8:00 am

Registration

Location: Library of Congress – Members Room
Thomas Jefferson Building
10 First Street, SE, Washington, D.C. 20540

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Welcome

Honorable Al Zapanta, President & CEO, USMCOC

Co-Hosts and Keynote Speakers

Senator John Cornyn (R-TX)

Congressman Pete Sessions (R-TX)

Hon. Newt L. Gingrich, Former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives

10:30 am – 12:00 pm

PANEL I: NAFTA NEGOTIATIONS

Location: U.S. Capitol
Committee on Appropriations Room H-305
East Capitol St. NE & First St SE
Washington, D.C. 20004

Congressional Co-Conveners

Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT), Chairman, Senate Committee on Finance

Congressman Mike Conaway (R-TX), Chairman, House Agriculture Committee

Keynote Speaker

Ambassador Carla Hills, Former U.S. Trade Representative and NAFTA Negotiator

NAFTA Negotiators

John Melle, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for the Western Hemisphere

Kenneth Smith Ramos, Head of the Trade and NAFTA Office, Ministry of the Economy of Mexico

Steve Verheul, Chief Trade Negotiator, Global Affairs Canada

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

LUNCHEON

Keynote Speaker

Hon. Elaine Chao, U.S. Secretary of Transportation

Remarks

H.E. David MacNaughton, Ambassador of Canada to the U.S.

H.E. Gerónimo Gutiérrez Fernández, Ambassador of Mexico to the U.S.

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

PANEL II: BORDER ISSUES

Congressional Co-Conveners

Senator Jeff Flake (R-AZ)

Congressman Henry Cuellar (R-TX)

Congressman Michael McCaul (D-TX), Chairman, House Committee on Homeland Security

Keynote Speaker

Hon. Rick Perry, U.S. Secretary of Energy

Presenters

Dennis Nixon, President and CEO, IBC Bank

Gerry Schwebel, Executive Vice President, IBC Bank

2:45 pm– 4:00 pm

PANEL III: GLOBAL TRADE

Congressional Co-Conveners

Senator Tim Kaine (D-VA)

Congressman Ed Royce (R-CA)

Keynote Speaker

Hon. Wilbur Ross, U.S. Secretary of Commerce

Presenters

Hon. John Engler, Partner Engler LLC, Former President Business Roundtable and Former Governor of Michigan

4:00 pm

CLOSING REMARKS

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

CONGRESSIONAL RECEPTION

**DLA Piper
500 8th NW
Washington, D.C. 20004**

Master of Ceremonies and Introduction of Special Guests

Honorable Al Zapanta, President & CEO, USMCO

Guests of Honor and Recipient of the Good Neighbor Award

Senator John McCain (R-AZ)