

LATIN AMERICAN BUSINESS AND POLITICAL OUTLOOK

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Abstract

A dynamic renewal process in politics and economics is driving Latin America into a new era for business and growth. With a combined population and gross national product similar to that of Brazil, the Pacific Alliance trade block that boasts investor-friendly policies, is recalibrating its strategy to leverage its valuable resources and face formidable geopolitical forces.

After asserting the strength of its democracy and young demographics, Brazil, the largest member of Mercosur, is carrying out a fundamental policy shift to attract re-investment and business in the medium and long term as the country blooms into the fifth economy in the world by 2030. In addition, Asia and Europe may continue to increase their positions as two of South America's salient marketers and investors in a region critical for growth and resources.

Don't miss the expert analysis of changes that savvy strategists and investors can use to identify the opportunities created by the new trade dynamics and the promise of a growing Latin American population estimated to reach one billion people by mid-century.





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Event Schedule

Location:

Penn Club 30 W 44th Street, NYC

Event Times: (ET)
11:15 am - 12:00 noon
Registration-Network
12 noon-1 pm Luncheon
1 - 2pm Talk-Webcast
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