



## PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

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American Airlines Admirals Club  
Chicago O'Hare International Airport

(Terminal 3, H/K Concourse between Gates H6 and K5, Upper Level, Conference Room H; Tel: 773-686-8353)

### A G E N D A

10:00 am – 10:15 am **Introductions / Meeting Objectives**

10:15 am – 3:00 pm **Open Discussion of Topics** [lunch will be served at 12:00 pm]

➤ **Global Economics**

- U.S. Economic Indicators
- International Economic Indicators

➤ **Domestic Markets**

- Municipal
  - Design Work Backlog
  - Project vs. Discretionary
  - Project Financing and Funding Availability:  
SRF, Private Activity Bonds, Alternative Funding
  - Legislative and Regulatory Drivers:  
New and Pending, Buy American, Sequestration, Gridlock
  - Non-Regulatory Drivers: Weather Driven, Infrastructure Driven, Media Attention
- Industrial
  - Consumer Trends and Preferences
  - Commercial and Industrial Trends
  - Regulatory Drivers: Fracking, Recycling

➤ **International Markets**

- Asia Pacific
- Europe
  - Russia's Aggressiveness
- Latin America
- Middle East and Africa

➤ **Supply Chain**

- Raw Materials Trends
- Source Reliability: Domestic, China, India, SE Asia
- Re-Shoring

➤ **Business Environment**

- Legislative and Regulatory:
  - HCRA, Immigration Reform, Visa Restrictions
- Skilled Workforce Constraints
- Green Technology Incentives
- Intellectual Property
- M&A Activities and Trends

➤ **Miscellaneous**

- Trade Shows