



RICHARD C. BLUM ROUNDTABLE

AMERICA'S ROLE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST GLOBAL POVERTY

THE ASPEN INSTITUTE
THE BROOKINGS POVERTY AND GLOBAL ECONOMY INITIATIVE
THE ETHICAL GLOBALIZATION INITIATIVE

ASPEN, COLORADO
JULY 30- 31, 2004

AGENDA

OBJECTIVE

The roundtable brings together key players on the frontlines of global poverty and at the highest levels of government and the private sector to lay out a forward looking strategy for the U.S. based on key challenges in poverty reduction, an understanding of what works, and a clear headed view of American interests and responsibilities. The intensive, off-the-record format is designed to stimulate a thought- provoking and concretely focused discussion. Co-hosted by Richard Blum of Blum Capital, the Brookings Institution Poverty and Global Economy Initiative, the Aspen Institute, and the Ethical Globalization Initiative, this meeting is held on the Aspen Institute campus and immediately precedes the summer meeting of the Aspen Strategy Group (ASG).

FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2004

Arrival and Check-In	The Aspen Meadows 845 Meadows Road Aspen, Colorado 81611	1-970-925-4240 1-800-452-4240 1-970-925-7790 fax
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12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	Meadows Restaurant
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WELCOME BY WALTER ISAACSON AND STROBE TALBOTT
Introduction of Participants

THE CHALLENGE OF GLOBAL POVERTY
Opening Remarks by Richard Blum

1:10 - 2:40 p.m.	Session I	Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room Koch Building
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KEY CHALLENGES, WHAT WORKS

Moderator: Strobe Talbott

Opening Observations:

Mary Robinson, Ethical Globalization Institute

Geeta Rao Gupta, International Center for Research on Women

Carol Graham, The Brookings Institution

2:50 – 4:45 p.m.	Session II	Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room Koch Building
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GOVERNANCE, RULE OF LAW, AND DEMOCRATIZATION

Moderator: Joe Nye

Opening Observations:

George Soros, Soros Capital

Ken Dam, University of Chicago

Kumi Naidoo, Civicus

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Public Forum and Reception	Paepcke Auditorium
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AMERICA'S ROLE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST GLOBAL POVERTY

Panelists:

Al Gore

Mary Robinson

George Soros

Kumi Naidoo

7:30 – 9:30 p.m.	Dinner	Meadows Restaurant
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SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2004

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Meadows Restaurant
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9:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Session III	Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room Koch Building
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FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Moderator: Lael Brainard

Opening Observations:

David Lipton, Moore Capital Management

Peter Watson, OPIC

Sylvia Mathews, Gates Foundation

11:15 a.m.– 1:00 p.m. Session IV	Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room Koch Building
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U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE STRATEGY

Moderator: Smita Singh

Opening Observations

Paul Applegarth, Millennium Challenge Corporation

Lael Brainard, The Brookings Institution

Dianne Feinstein, U.S. Senate

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch	Meadows Restaurant
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2:15 – 4:00 p.m.	Session V	Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room Koch Building
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TRADE AND POVERTY

Moderator: TBD

Opening Observations:

Mickey Kantor, Mayer, Brown & Rowe

Jagdish Bhagwati, Columbia University

Ray Offenheiser, Oxfam

4:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Wrap-up	Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room Koch Building
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SUMMARY AND NEXT STEPS

Walter Isaacson and Strobe Talbott

6:30-9:30 p.m.	Dinner	Bear Paw Ranch
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HOSTS: RICHARD C. BLUM AND SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN