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Abe Lowenthal is the first Robert F. Erburu professor of ethics, globalization and development and also professor of international relations at the University of Southern California (USC). He is president emeritus and a senior fellow of the Pacific Council on International Policy, of which he was the founding president from 1995-2005. Dr. Lowenthal has been a nonresident senior fellow at Brookings since January 2008.

Dr. Lowenthal is an internationally recognized authority on Latin America, the Pacific Rim and broader international affairs, who has worked for thirty years at the boundary between the worlds of ideas and action. The founder and first chief executive of three prestigious institutions—the Woodrow Wilson Center’s Latin American Program (1977-1983), the Inter-American Dialogue (1982-1992) and the Pacific Council—Dr. Lowenthal has worked closely with leaders in business, labor, politics, the media, academia, foundations, governments, and both international and non-governmental organizations.

Dr. Lowenthal has worked in Latin America and the Caribbean, traveled extensively in Asia and Europe, and overseen projects on China, India, Korea, Japan, Israel-Palestine and many Latin American countries.

Abe Lowenthal’s publications include fourteen books, more than one hundred journal articles (including seven in *Foreign Affairs* and five in *Foreign Policy*), and nearly two hundred newspaper pieces published throughout the United States and abroad. Dr. Lowenthal has written and lectured widely on American foreign policy, Latin American politics, the construction of democratic governance, Global California’s policy challenges, and the California-Mexico connection. His most recent books are *Global California: Rising to the Cosmopolitan Challenge* (Stanford University Press 2009), and two co-edited volumes (with Theodore J. Piccone and Laurence Whitehead) published by the Brookings Institution: *The Obama Administration and the Americas: Agenda for Change* (2009), and *Shifting the Balance: Obama and the Americas* (forthcoming 2010). Dr. Lowenthal is currently writing a book on US-Latin American relations as a Brookings fellow, and is also planning a book on the craft of think tank institution-building.

Dr. Lowenthal took his AB, MPA and PhD degrees at Harvard. He has been a visiting fellow at Oxford, the International Institute of Strategic Studies (London), the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, CEBRAP (Brazil), FAAP (Brazil), FLACSO (Chile), the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard, Princeton’s Center for International Studies, the Brookings Institution, UCLA, UC San Diego, the Public Policy Institute of California, and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. He is an adjunct professor at the Watson Institute for International Studies at Brown University. He has held a Fulbright Senior Award in Japan, received an honorary degree from Notre Dame, and has been decorated by the governments of Brazil and

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Dr. Lowenthal has served on the boards of the Inter-American Dialogue, the Pacific Council, the Fulbright Association, the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program, the Trade Advisory Council of the City of Los Angeles, the Latin American Studies Association and the American Political Science Association, and on seven editorial boards. He is a member of the board of the Leo Baeck Institute, is a member of the Research Council of the International Forum for Democratic Studies and the International Advisory Board of the Monterey Institute of International Studies and is a contributing editor to *New Perspectives Quarterly*.

Dr. Lowenthal has served as director of studies and as a vice president at the Council on Foreign Relations, and a Peru representative for the Ford Foundation. At USC, he directed the Center for International Studies from 1992-1997, and chaired University-wide committees on investment and social responsibility and on enhancing USC's strengths on Pacific Rim issues.

Dr. Lowenthal is married to Jane S. Jaquette, professor emerita at Occidental College and former president of both the Latin American Studies Association and the Association for Women in Development. His two children, Linda and Michael, are writers and editors in Boston.