

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Conference of Webster University

**RENEWING THE WESTERN COMMUNITY:  
THE CHALLENGE FOR THE US, EUROPE AND JAPAN**

20 November 2009

15, route de Collex, Bellevue, Geneva

**REGISTRATION AND COFFEE – 8:30 to 9:00**

**WELCOME – 9:00 to 9:15**

1. **Olivier COUTAU**, Delegate of the Geneva Government to International Geneva: *The International Community and “International Geneva”*
2. **Otto HIERONYMI**, (Conference Organizer), Webster University, Geneva:  
*Introduction: The Objectives of the Conference and of the Webster Research Project*

**MORNING SESSIONS – 9:15 to 1:00 PM**

**SESSION 1 DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGES: FREEDOM,  
DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN  
RESPONSIBILITY**

3. **KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Dietmar NICKEL**, Director General for External Policies, European Parliament, Brussels: *The European Union's Contribution to the “Western World” – Revisiting a Concept and a Global Position*
4. **Peter BOD**, Professor of Economics (Budapest), Former Director, EBRD, and former President, National Bank of Hungary: *In Search of a Socio-economic Model in the European Union and the Western Community: Is the Social Market Economy Still or Once More an Option?*
5. **A Senior Official**, UNHCR: *The United Nations and Humanitarian Responsibilities and Action*
6. **Michel VEUTHEY**, Vice-President, International Institute of Humanitarian Law, Geneva and San Remo: *The Western Community's Role in Ensuring Respect for International Humanitarian Law in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

**COFFEE BREAK**

**SESSION 2 SECURITY, PEACE AND COOPERATION AND THE ROLE OF THE  
WESTERN COMMUNITY**

7. **KEYNOTE SPEAKER: John J. MARESCA**, Rector, University for Peace, Costa Rica, Former US Ambassador to the OSCE: *The International Community and the Search for Peace*

8. **KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** **Antonella CERASINO**, Head, NATO Countries Section, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO, Brussels: *The Role of NATO in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*
9. **Géza JESZENSZKY**, Professor of International Relations, (Budapest), Former Hungarian Foreign Minister (1990-1994), former Hungarian Ambassador to Washington (1998-2002): *The Future of the Euro-Atlantic Idea in Central Europe*

**LUNCH BREAK – 1:00 to 2:00 PM**

**AFTERNOON SESSIONS – 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM**

### **SESSION 3 GLOBALIZATION AND THE ROLE OF THE WESTERN COMMUNITY**

10. **KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** **Sergio MARCHI**, Former Canadian Minister of International Trade and Former Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, Former Canadian WTO Ambassador: *The Need for Liberal Trade and Migration Policies in the Western Community*
12. **Paul RÉVAY**, Director, Trilateral Commission, The European Group, Paris: *The Trilateral Commission: Objectives and Accomplishments*
13. **Tamotsu TAKASE**, Counsellor to the Governor of Tokyo, Visiting Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University: *The Western Community and the Role of Japan*
14. **Philippe De LOMBAERDE**, Associate Director, United Nations University, (UNU-CRIS), Bruges: *The EU as a Promoter of Regional Governance Worldwide*

**COFFEE BREAK**

### **SESSION 4 THE WESTERN COMMUNITY: MULTIPLE DIMENSIONS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS**

11. **KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** **Kenichi SUGANUMA**, Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Japan, Geneva: (or **Koichi MIZUSHIMA**, Minister)
15. **Thomas DONNELLY**, Resident Scholar, Director, Center for Defense Studies, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.: *Security Threats and the Role of Power in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*
16. **Alexandre VAUTRAVERS**, Head of International Relations Program, Webster University, Geneva: *The Western Community and International Security in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: A Perspective from Switzerland*
17. **Jean-Marc RICKLI**, University of Geneva and Oxford University: *The Western Community, International Cooperation and Small States: Scenarios for the Years Ahead*

**CONCLUSIONS:**

18. **Otto HIERONYMI**, Professor of International Relations, Webster University: *Values and Interests and the Multiple Dimensions of the Western Community*