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**Leaders in Finance and Economics from the West and Middle East Meet in Abu Dhabi**

**What:** *The Middle East: Emerging Challenges and Opportunities in the Economic Landscape*

**Where:** Eastern Mangroves Hotel & Spa by Anantara in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

**When:** Tuesday, March 26, 2013; 8:45 a.m. – 4:05 p.m.

**Who:** This event will feature:

- **His Excellency Sheikh Nahayan Mubarak Al Nahayan**, Minister of Culture, Youth and Community Development and Chancellor, Higher Colleges of Technology
- **Richard Fisher**, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas
- **John Y. Brown**, Former Governor of Kentucky
- **Rajeev Dhawan**, Director of the Economic Forecasting Center at the J. Mack Robinson College of Business of Georgia State University
- **Michael Drury**, Chief Economist of McVean Trading & Investments, LLC
- **Gary Dugan**, Coutts Chief Investment Officer, Asia & Middle East
- **Hassan Fattah**, Editor-in-Chief of *The National*
- **Bulent Gultekin**, Associate Professor of Finance at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania
- **Niranjan Hiranandani**, Co-Founder of the Hiranandani Group and Founder of Hirco
- **Samer Khalidi**, Executive Director of NBK Capital
- **Taha Khalifa**, Regional General Manager for the Middle East and North Africa, Intel Corporation
- **David Kotok**, Co-founder and CIO of Cumberland Advisors
- **Donald Rissmiller**, Chief Economist of Strategas Research Partners
- **Carl Schramm**, Former President and Chief Executive Officer of the Kauffman Foundation
- **John Silvia**, Managing Director and Chief Economist of Wells Fargo Securities LLC
- **George Tsetsekos**, Dean Emeritus and the George B. Francis Professor at the LeBow College of Business at Drexel University
- **Simon Williams**, Chief Economist of HSBC, Middle East

**Why:** Against the backdrop of one of the Middle East's most vibrant cities, respected members of the international financial community will discuss the impact of recent changes in the Middle East on the global economy. The **Global Interdependence Center** is proud to sponsor this timely and relevant discussion, in partnership with the Wharton Center at CERT and the Higher Colleges of Technology.

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