



Dear Colleagues:

Half decade ago, Bolivia was considered a model of successful economic reform and a showcase in the war against illegal drugs. Today, it teeters on the brink of political meltdown and the prospect of an effective government emerging from the December elections is not promising. Bolivia needs political coherence and consensus, precisely the resources that are in short supply.

The CSIS Americas Program invites you to join us in examining the factors related to Bolivia's decline into political disorder — in a conference entitled:

“Bolivia’s Crisis of Governance: What Can Be Done?”

Friday, December 2 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the B1 conference center

CSIS – 1800 K Street, NW

The conference will be built around two panels of leading experts and a working luncheon (agenda attached). The CSIS Americas Program gratefully acknowledges the generous support of the USAID Bolivia Mission in making this conference possible.

Please confirm your attendance no later than November 30 by e-mailing vvanni@csis.org or by faxing **this completed form to (202) 775-3199**. If you have any additional questions, please contact Viviane Leffingwell at (202) 775-3211.

Sincerely,

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Conference Agenda

CSIS B1- Conference level

9:00 - 10:30 am

Panel I – The Governance Crisis: Causes and Effects

Moderator: Phillip McLean, Senior Associate, Americas Program - CSIS

Juan Cariaga, economist, former minister of Finance, Bolivia

Luis Fernando Tapia, professor - Universidade Mayor de San Andrés

Herbert Klein, Gouverneur Morris professor of History - Columbia University, NY

10:45 - 12:15 pm

Panel II – The Governance Crisis: What can be done?

Moderator: Peter DeShazo, director, Americas Program - CSIS

Tomasa Yarhui, indigenous leader

Juan Carlos Rocha, editor - *La Razón* of La Paz

Eduardo Gamarra, director, Latin American and Caribbean Center - Florida International University

12:30 - 2:00 pm

Keynote Speaker – Governance and Development in Bolivia: What is needed?

To be confirmed