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SAVE THE DATE –
MARCH 9, 2012
PUBLIC POLICY FORUM
FOR INTERNATIONAL
WOMEN'S DAY

Friends of Dialogue on Diversity –

DIALOGUE POLICY FORUM AND RECEPTION — MARCH 9, 2012

Dialogue on Diversity reminds all its friends and newsletter readers of the launch of a series of very timely and significant programs for the 2012 cycle. First is the **Policy Forum and Reception** set for Friday, March 9 in observance of International Women's Day. A compact set of presentations will inform attendees on three topics that are calculated to be of specific and major interest to women: **EDUCATION**, especially at the crucial early-childhood stage; **IMMIGRATION**, inclusive of the more than ordinary concerns of women over the integrity of families in the presence of the recent spate of swift and massive removal (deportation) proceedings; and the **CONDITION OF WOMEN** around the world – discriminatory and often shockingly cruel laws and cultural practices, the now rare but still reported “honor killings”, trafficking, and more.

THREE MINI-SEMINARS ON KEY POLICY TOPICS — MARCH 9, 2012, 3:30 - 5:00 P.M.
WOMEN'S WORLD: EDUCATION – IMMIGRATION – HARD TIMES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY RECEPTION – 5:00 - 6:00 P.M.

STEWART R. MOTT FOUNDATION, 122 MARYLAND AVENUE, N.E. ON CAPITOL HILL

Register early for the Seminar/Reception at www.dialogueondiversity.org

- Education is reviewed in its several distinct phases, each with its own challenges and its special goals. In the sober view of students of education the stage of dominating importance is the one that comes before all the others – the **early childhood years**, the point in human development at which the mind is immensely absorptive and when the lifelong channels of thought and conduct are formed in the young, very lively intelligence. Defusing the economic time-bomb — reversing the U.S. human capital deterioration
- The day's middle seminar is concerned with Immigration and societies' attempts, usually with little success, to regulate it. The immigration question has very much suffered the silent treatment in Washington since the collapse of the near reform in the Senate during the final years of the last Administration. Now, however, immigration appears to be surging back into public attention, if for no other reason than to seek some effective counter to the wild excesses of state legislatures left to their own devices.
- The topic of women's existence around the globe — a grim summing up of the often harsh conditions of women's lives worldwide, with focus centered on their travails of women around the world – their subjection to appalling assaults and to severe social/economic disabilities, many sanctioned by laws and venerable cultural practices, and the shame of trafficking, the shocking commerce in coerced young people, and more.
- A **Reception**, to which seminar attendees and all friends of the Dialogue are cordially invited, is to be held in tandem with the policy seminar, following from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.