

# THE BRETTON WOODS COMMITTEE

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Mr. Miguel Schloss  
President  
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Dear Mr. Schloss:

For thirty-seven years, the Bretton Woods Committee has been the nonpartisan network of prominent global citizens which works to demonstrate the value of international economic cooperation and to foster strong, effective Bretton Woods institutions as a means of promoting progress and social well-being. **It is with pleasure that we invite you to become a member at this important juncture in Bretton Woods Committee history.**

Selected by invitation only, Committee members are leaders at the top of business, academic, and non-profit sectors. Influencers from every region of the world – including industry CEOs, international policymakers, and former U.S. officials – we champion efforts to spur economic growth, alleviate poverty, and advance global financial stability. **Given your leadership and background, we believe you would be a valuable addition to the Bretton Woods Committee.**

## Why You Should Join and Why Now

This year's unprecedented challenges have underscored the urgent **need to revitalize the spirit of Bretton Woods and to fortify and reform the key institutions of global economic and financial governance.** Even before the coronavirus pandemic emerged, heightened volatility in both domestic financial markets and international capital flows, the unprecedented policy activism of central banks, and proliferating trade frictions had made evident that **renewed global progress will require a stronger framework for multilateral cooperation.** Visit our website [www.brettonwoods.org](http://www.brettonwoods.org) to learn more about how the Committee responded through our Bretton Woods@75 initiative and our resulting compendium volume which galvanized our membership and global thought leaders behind a universal message: *protect and strengthen the Bretton Woods mission and accelerate the evolution of the global economic architecture for a rapidly changing world.*

Now the pandemic is extracting a fearsome social cost: the global economy has been damaged seriously, international trade has suffered an unprecedented setback, and countries have tended to adopt a “go it alone” approach to policy setting. Yet at this pivotal moment, we are revitalizing the Committee's leadership ranks and refreshing our mission and scope to be even more enduring and fit-for-purpose in a post-pandemic landscape. This **exciting leadership renewal** brings fresh and diverse perspectives to direct the Committee's work and further enhances our ability to collaborate with multilateral and government policymakers in addressing evolving economic challenges. **But the stakes are high, and we need your support** to ensure we can strengthen our system and institutions, so the promise of peace and prosperity through global economic cooperation as initially conceived post-World War II from the Bretton Woods agreements can be re-envisioned and realized for the next generation.

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### What Does the Committee Do?

The mission and work of the Committee is motivated by the conviction that systematic, principled and effective multilateral cooperation is the surest means of achieving economic and social progress. Through its public **outreach and advocacy** the Committee promotes understanding of the multilateral institutions and reminds elected leaders that global economic prosperity and lasting national security are closely tied to strong multilateral leadership and cooperation. Through its **programs and events** the Committee convenes policymakers together with members and stakeholders across its network to explore current issues in global finance, development and trade, and to propose ways in which the system – and the institutions that comprise it – can be strengthened and made more effective. For more information regarding our programs and impact, please view our [2019-2020 Annual Report](#).

Throughout its history, the Committee's ability to influence has been a direct function of the strength of its membership. **Our work to promote understanding of the need for rebuilding an open, rules-based system and to propose real world solutions for a restored and reformed international framework for cooperation has never been more vital**, and we invite you to take part in this critical mission by joining our network.

### What Are the Membership Requirements?

We count on members to periodically share their perspectives in support of the Committee's mission, and to help our membership continue to grow. **We understand members' busy schedules and place no requirements on participation time.** Members choose to participate in Committee programs as their schedules permit.

Once our invitation is accepted, we ask all members for an annual tax-deductible contribution. We rely solely on funding from our members and support from our Organizational Supporters and do not accept funds from the U.S. government or the Bretton Woods Institutions. All members receive a personal membership, which you will maintain in the event of a change in your professional affiliation or retirement. Those who contribute as Organizational Supporters receive additional benefits for their organization as outlined in the enclosed documents.

### How to Join

We hope that you will become a member of the Bretton Woods Committee by completing and returning the enclosed membership information form by e-mail to [secretariat@brettonwoods.org](mailto:secretariat@brettonwoods.org) or by mail to the address provided on the form. If you would like further information regarding membership, please contact Randy Rodgers at (202) 331-1616 or [rrogers@brettonwoods.org](mailto:rrogers@brettonwoods.org). We look forward to your future engagement with the Bretton Woods Committee.

With warm regards,



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