



Will You Invest in International Education?



As 2016 comes to a close, we here at WACC are reflecting on a year full of international education initiatives, a record-breaking WorldQuest attendance, making it the largest international education event in the Carolinas, and the impact that our programming has had on the Charlotte community, business leaders, students, and teachers.

- **3,650** people have participated in WACC programs in 2016.
- **94** Charlotte-area teachers have earned scholarships to study abroad since the WACC Council Scholars Program was launched.
- **555** high school students have participated in WACC programs in 2016.

We have had the wonderful opportunity of hosting thought-provoking speakers and foreign dignitaries who have opened our eyes to global issues and challenged our community to think about the world in a different way.

- **Ambassador of France Gérard Araud** shared his perspectives on ties between France and the United States and security concerns in the EU immediately following the bombing in Brussels.
- **Ambassador of India Arun Singh** provided insight on the growing partnership between India and the U.S. as leaders in the global fields of technology, security and education.
- **Robert Walker, President of the Population Institute** shed light on issues of gender inequality, access to healthcare, and the pressing concerns of rapid population growth for some of the most vulnerable countries.
- **Gillian Tett, U.S. Managing Editor of the Financial Times** offered insight on the passing of Brexit, its implications for the global economy, and the similarities she observed in the polls of the U.S. presidential race.
- **Chuck Hagel, U.S. Secretary of Defense (2013-2015)** shared his perspective on the incoming Trump administration's role in foreign policy and arising global security challenges.

It's without a doubt that World Affairs Council of Charlotte programming offers much needed context so that we have a better understanding about the intricacies of foreign policy, global security, population and demographic changes, economic and trade agreements, governance and conflict, and how they influence our lives.

We are grateful for your ongoing support that allows us to continue to stay engaged and provide you with in-depth analysis about global issues that affect our communities.

Happy Holidays,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "LJUBOMIR STAMBUK".

Ljubomir Stambuk
President & CEO, World Affairs Council of Charlotte



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As we continue promoting international education and a broader awareness and understanding of world affairs, **your tax-deductible gift** is vital to our mission to help you and our neighbors connect the big dots in what is becoming a very small world.

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