



MONDAY OCTOBER 12

2015 PRESIDENTIAL DINNER

Recognition for contribution to the Democracy in the Hemisphere.

- **Recipient: Leonel Fernandez, Former President of Dominican Republic**

THURSDAY OCTOBER 15, 2015

7:30 – 8:30 AM - REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:30 AM MASTER & MISTRESS OF CEREMONY

8:45 AM WELCOME REMARKS – DITAS 2015

Ms. Maria Garza – CEO of Zambrano Foundation

Jose Zambrano – Chairman of Zambrano Foundation

9:00 AM - OPENING PANEL DISCUSSION

Democracy: The Next Generation

Moderator: Carlos Joya – Honduras Political Strategist

Tony Lima - Executive Director - SAVE

Ron Bilbao – New Leaders Council – National Board Member

Rosa Maria Payat – Cuban Dissident

Raul Martinez Jr. - Government Services Director at eNet IT Group





10:35 AM – Keynote Speaker: Marco Midence – Director of Conatel Honduras

11:00 AM - SECOND PANEL DISCUSSION

The role of the Media in the Democracy of our Hemisphere

Moderator: Helena Poleo

Rafael Poleo, Journalist - Editor in Chief of El Nuevo Pais and Zeta Magazine

Idania Chirinos – NTN24

Ricardo Brown - MundoMax

12:30 PM - PRESIDENTIAL LUNCH

1:00 PM - LUNCH KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Jorge Quiroga, Former President of Bolivia

Professor Bruce Bagley University of Miami





2:30 PM - THIRD PANEL DISCUSSION Education as the Key to Democracy

Moderator: Theresa Rice – Global Ties Miami

Dr. Juan Antonio Blanco – Miami-Dade College -Executive Director - Center for Latin American and Caribbean Initiatives

Ms. Souraya Faas – US Presidential Candidate – Independent

Dr. Alberto Gaytan Garcia – Director del Tecnológico de Misantla, MX

4:00 PM - CLOSING PANEL DISCUSSION South Florida: Democracy and Economy in the Hemisphere

Moderator: Ron Bilbao – New Leaders Council

Jose Felix Diaz – Florida House Representative – District 116

David Richardson – Florida House Representative – District 113

Mike Schultz – Mayor of Dothan, Alabama

Ricardo Jacobo – Dominican Republic – Senate Candidate

5:30 PM RESOLUTIONS OF DITAS 2015 AND CLOSING REMARKS

Ms. Maria Garza – CEO of Zambrano Foundation

