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John Sitilides, a Washington D.C. government affairs specialist and diplomacy consultant to the U.S. Department of State, shares his insights into U.S. and global risk trends, international threat assessments and geopolitical strategies before C-suite executives, high-stakes decision makers and opinion leaders at investor, corporate and government conferences and events.

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Speech Topics

The Trump Presidency: Global Risks, Geopolitical Strategy and American Leadership 2020

President Donald J. Trump assumed American political leadership at a time of considerable strains in the global economy and a complex array of high-stakes global risk and geopolitical flashpoints in Russia, China, the Middle East and Europe. Along with reinvigorating the U.S. economy, the Trump Administration is charged with managing key power relationships with major political and military adversaries and the driving engines of the international macro-economic system.

President Trump’s domestic priorities include renewed domestic energy projects and exports, review of current and potential trade agreements, repatriation of trillions of dollars from foreign banks, and the advancement of new manufacturing technologies. If effectively implemented, these policies could produce fundamental shifts in U.S. international relations. Can President Trump successfully identify and encourage capable partners to relieve the U.S. of its worldwide economic and military burdens? Can he preserve and strengthen the current international order by encouraging meaningful diplomatic efforts and empowering allies and partners to assume greater responsibility for regional stability? And how will such fundamental shifts affect the course of the U.S. economy and related investment, business and corporate policies?

This presentation will starkly assess and explore the aims & goals of the Trump Administration, and global realities projected to challenge President Trump and the American nation throughout his term in office.

Geopolitical Risk Management
Helping investment fund and business executives understand and mitigate against risk against the backdrop or political, regional or global disruption.

Geopolitics of American Energy Policy
Assessing presidential and Congressional policies with far-reaching impacts on the U.S. economy and global markets.

Wobbling the Colossus: The Greek Roots of the Euro Crisis
A critical assessment of the viability of the European Union as a trading partner and global power, as well as the Euro as a viable global currency.