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Mobilizing Climate Financing for a Sustainable Future

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The **Center for Commerce and Diplomacy's Global Leaders Forum** brings world leaders to UC San Diego to share insights on current trends in global business, policy and politics. Please join us for an address by **The Most Honourable Andrew Michael Holness, Prime Minister of Jamaica**, on "Mobilizing Climate Financing for a Sustainable Future." **CCD Director Renee Bowen** will moderate the discussion.

Climate change is a global issue that requires a collective, global response. However, not all nations share the same resources to implement effective measures to mitigate climate change. Those countries which are most affected by the impacts of climate change are faced with an undue burden to respond. A more collective effort is needed to share the commitment to the problem, specifically in financing. The Prime Minister will share his thoughts on this topic, along with the work he is doing as the Co-Chair of the UN Climate Change Financing Initiative with French President Emmanuel Macron.



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ANDREW MICHAEL HOLNESS, ON, MP **Prime Minister of Jamaica**

The Most Honourable Andrew Michael Holness was first elected Member of Parliament (MP) to represent the Constituency of West Central St. Andrew in 1997, at the age of 25. Now in his fourth consecutive term as MP, Mr. Holness became Jamaica's ninth Prime Minister after the Jamaica Labour Party defeated the People's National Party at the polls on February 25, 2016. Mr. Holness has pledged to build real partnerships with the Private Sector, Civil Society, the Diaspora, the Opposition and International Partners

in order to achieve the vision of shared prosperity for all Jamaicans through inclusive economic growth and meaningful job creation. Mr. Holness first served as Head of Government from October 2011 to January 2012 having succeeded former Prime Minister the Honourable Bruce Golding. Prior to assuming the awesome responsibility of leading the nation, Mr. Holness worked steadily at various levels of the political and governance systems. He focused on several key portfolios areas including: social welfare, community development, housing and education. However, it was in the area of Education that Mr. Holness found his passion and distinguished himself both as the Opposition Spokesperson on Education and in the Cabinet as Minister of Education.



RENEE BOWEN **Professor and Pastor Faculty Fellow, University of California** **San Diego**

Renee Bowen is jointly appointed at the School of Global Policy and Strategy, and the Department of Economics and is director of the Center for Commerce and Diplomacy. Her research focuses on political economy, microeconomic theory and international trade. She has published in top economics journals including the American Economic Review, and the Quarterly Journal of Economics and is on the editorial boards of the Journal

of Mathematical Economics, Quarterly Journal of Political Science and the Review of International Organizations. She is a member of the California Governor's Council of Economic Advisors, a faculty research fellow at the National Bureau of Economic Research, a research fellow at the Center for Economic Policy Research and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Bowen has held positions at the Stanford Graduate School of Business, the Hoover Institution, the World Bank and J.P. Morgan Securities. Her recent work examines designing an international economic order.