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# US Policy Toward the BRICS

A lecture by

**Hon. Phillip T. Chicola**  
**US Deputy Ambassador to Brazil**

**Thursday, November 5, 2009 | 11:30am-1:00pm**  
FIU Green Library, Room 220

A career officer in the U.S. Foreign Service with the rank of Minister Counselor, Phil Chicola joined the State Department in 1979. Over the past three decades, he has developed broad regional expertise and has dealt with some of Latin America's most difficult issues. He began his career serving as refugee officer for Latin America in the Bureau of Refugee Affairs. Following that, he served as a political officer in Guatemala, Chile and El Salvador. In 1996, he became Acting Director of the Office of Policy Planning and Coordination in the Bureau of Inter-American Affairs. A year later, he was asked to serve as Senior Adviser to the UN Transitional Administrator for Eastern Slavonia, Croatia. In 1998, he became Director of the Office of Andean Affairs. In July 2004, Mr. Chicola became Deputy Chief of Mission in Brazil. From July 2005 until the Ambassador's arrival in August 2006, he served as Chargé d'Affaires. During his career, Phil has earned five Superior Honor Awards and two Meritorious Honor Awards; the Intelligence Collector of the Year Award in 1991; and the James Clement Dunn Award for Excellence. Mr. Chicola is a graduate of Florida Atlantic University and did his graduate work at Florida State University. He is also a graduate of the United States Army War College.

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