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- Office of the Governor, Economic Development & Tourism (EDT)
- International Business Institute at Austin Community College
- Texas Camino Real Export Council

Destination Central America – Are You Ready For CAFTA?

When

November 3, 2003

Time

9: 00 am Registration and Networking
9:45 am – 1:00 pm Program and Lunch

Where

Greater Austin Chamber
Lakeshore Tower building
210 Barton Springs Rd
Suite 400
Austin, TX 78704.

Cost

\$35.00 (includes lunch)

To Register

Call 223-7290
E-mail ibi@austincc.edu

Registration Deadline

October 29, 2003

Who Should Attend?

Any firm interested in doing business in Central America, anyone interested in International Trade, Consultants, Bankers, Lawyers, etc.

This program will cover doing business in Central America and what you need to know about the Central American-U.S. Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA), and its effect on business relationships and economic growth, and enforcement of U.S. international trade agreements.

Featured Speaker:

Margaret Hanson-Muse
Senior Commercial Officer, Costa Rica

Guest Speaker:

Sean King
International Trade Specialist
Trade Compliance Center, Washington, D.C.

Why CAFTA?

- The U.S. exported \$8.8 billion to the Central America in 2000 - more than it sold to Russia, Indonesia, and India combined. NAFTA partners Mexico and Canada recognize the potential of the Central American market and the need to support Central American reforms by pursuing free trade agreements with countries in the region.
- During the last decade, Central American Countries established democratic systems of government and began implementing economic reforms to promote privatization, competition, and open markets. CAFTA supports democracy and economic reforms, enhancing economic growth and human rights.
- CAFTA negotiations advance the Free Trade Area of the America (FTAA). Working together on common disciplines and trade objectives through bilateral negotiations enhances the ability of all the parties to forge consensus in multilateral trade negotiations, especially the FTAA. CAFTA increases the momentum in the hemisphere toward lowering barriers, opening markets, and achieving greater transparency, complementing the United States' goal of completing the FTAA no later than January 2005.



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REGISTRATION FORM
Destination Central America – Are You Ready for CAFTA?

Return this form along with your check, money order, or Credit Card information

Please return separate forms for each attendee

Attendee Information –CAFTA November 3, 2003

Attendee Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Payment Information

Cost \$35.00

Please make checks payable to: **Austin Community College**

Mail to: ACC International Business Institute * 5930 Middle Fiskville Rd. * Austin, Texas 78752

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