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Our Energy Future Panel Discussion, moderated by Blois Olson

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Craig Shaver, Senior Vice President
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As a national main street bank, PNC knows that a thriving business community is core to local economic growth and prosperity. The Economic Club of Minnesota provides critical resources and insights to PNC and countless other businesses in the region, and helps make Minnesota a better place for all of us to work and live.

Deb Rohloff, VP & Director of Client & Community Relations
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The Current Business Conditions and Impact of U.S. Based Japanese Investment



2022-2023 Speakers



James Bullard

President & CEO, Federal Reserve
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Arancha González Laya

Recipient of the *2022 Bill Frenzel
Champion of Free Trade Award*; Dean,
Paris School of International Affairs at
Sciences Po



Ambassador Marc Nathanson

U.S. Ambassador to the Kingdom of
Norway, U.S. Embassy



Minnesota's Future Economy - Post Legislative Session

- **Sen. Nick Frentz**, Assistant
Majority Leader, MN Senate
- **Rep. Lisa Demuth**, House Minority
Leader, MN House of
Representatives
- **Sen. Eric Pratt**, MN Senate
- **Rep. Aisha Gomez**, MN House of
Representatives
- **Moderator: Blois Olson**, Founder
& Principal, Fluence Media



Our Energy Future

- **Emma Bishop**, Assistant Vice
President, Venn Strategies
- **Dr. Jim Bowyer**, Professor
Emeritus, University of Minnesota
- **Brittany Zwierzchowski Tisler**,
COO & Interim CEO, Conservative
Energy Network
- **Moderator: Blois Olson**, Founder &
Principal, Fluence Media



Supply Chain Panel Discussion

- **Julian Chase**, Business Operations
and Supply Chain, Chief
Transformation Officer, Cargill
- **Jacinth Smiley**, EVP & CFO,
Hormel Foods
- **Phil Donaldson**, EVP & CFO,
Andersen Corporation
- **Panel Moderator: Kate Kelly**, EVP
& Regional President, PNC Bank



The Current Business Conditions and Impact of U.S. Based Japanese Investment

- **Hiroyuki Nemoto**, Chief Executive
Director, Japan External Trade
Organization Chicago
- **Ralph Inforzato**, Special Advisor,
Japan External Trade Organization
Chicago



The Global Food Crisis

- **Ambassador Ertharin Cousin**,
Founder & CEO, Food Systems for
the Future
- **Dan Glickman**, Senior Counselor,
International Advisory Council Chair,
APCO Worldwide
- **Peter Ceretti**, Director, Geostrategy,
Eurasia Group
- **Panel Moderator: Devry Boughner
Vorwerk**, Founder & CEO, DevryBV
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The Global Food Crisis Panel Discussion, moderated by Devry Boughner Vorwerk

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WEBINAR: Minnesota's Future Economy - Post Legislative Session, moderated by Blois Olson



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This Season

 **22**
Student
Scholarship
Partner Schools

 **19**
Speakers and
Panelists

 **8**
Podcasts Produced

Historically

 **15**
Seasons

 **10**
Bill Frenzel
Champion of Free
Trade Awards

 **176**
Speakers and
Panelists

 **140**
Events

 **109**
Podcasts

 **34,247**
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The Economic Club of Minnesota's mission is to provide a world-class, non-partisan forum for national and international leaders in business and public policy, to discuss ideas that affect how Minnesota can better compete in the global economy.



Arancha González Laya accepting the *Bill Frenzel Champion of Free Trade Award* (COFTA) from Chair of the COFTA Advisory Panel, Devry Boughner Vorwerk



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