You are invited to Indianapolis for the 2007 meeting of the Academy of International Business!

As Dean of the Indiana University Kelley School of Business, I speak for the faculty and local organizing committee in conveying our enthusiasm to serve as the 2007 host in the state of Indiana’s capital city.

Best known as the Racing Capital of the World, Indianapolis is also the twelfth largest city in the United States and is recognized nationally with a leading and dynamic business climate. A popular convention and meeting destination, Indy is also full of world-class attractions, arts and culture.

Indiana University’s Kelley School of Business was one of the first American universities to offer International Business courses and programs. We continue to be supportive and in the forefront of International Business through our programs, through faculty interests and research, and through the rich resources of Indiana University.

Our host committee is preparing for your visit. We will ensure that the 2007 AIB Indianapolis program will be an exciting schedule with gifted speakers, exceptional tours and welcoming volunteers.

Daniel C. Smith
Dean, Kelley School of Business
Tours

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Conner Prairie, the 1826 Living History Museum, “Behind the Scenes” corporate events with the opportunity to explore one of the many tours planned during the 2007 Academy of International Business.

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The IMAs gardens and grounds are renowned for their beauty, elegance and history. The 132 acres 5 hectares complex includes Oldfields, the American Country Charm, the 32 acre/13 hectare main campus and the Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park. The IMA and Wolfgang Puck proudly present Puck’s, the Museum’s fine dining restaurant and caterer, featuring innovative cuisine and exceptional service.

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Doing business in Indianapolis

Indianapolis’ tremendous growth as a business center and its reputation as an premier global capital have caught the attention of cities all across the world. A new entrepreneurial attitude has developed in Indianapolis, and now it has become a major economic entity. The Circle City is the center of America’s heartland. More than 45% of the U.S. population lives within a 750 mile/1207 km radius of Indianapolis. More interstates converge in Indianapolis than in any other city in the U.S. making it the “Crossroads of America.”

Kelley’s region has positioned itself for the future by having considerable assets and solid potential for growth. In the biosciences industry, the city is home to companies such as Eli Lilly and Company, as well as leading universities and other enterprises. Carmel and Noblesville, our major弼洲 Lake northeast of the research park in Central Indiana. In logistics, Indy makes the most of the region’s central location and its transportation infrastructure.

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