

# The Social and Behavioral Sciences and Public Policy:

## A Colloquium Celebrating **COSSA**'s 30 Years of Advocacy

**November 2 – 3, 2011**

*Embassy Row Hotel*  
2015 Massachusetts Avenue, NW  
**Washington, DC**

**Wednesday, November 2**

8:30 - 8:45 am **Welcome and Introductions**

8:45 - 9:30 **Keynote Address: The Changing Political Landscape: 1981-2011**

**Thomas Mann**

Senior Fellow, Governance Studies  
The W. Averell Harriman Chair  
Brookings Institution

9:45 - 11:45

**Social/Behavioral Science Contributions to Public Policy**

**Economic Well-Being - Charles L. Schultze**

Senior Fellow Emeritus, Economic Studies  
Brookings Institution

**Race & Ethnicity - James Jackson**

Daniel Katz Distinguished University Professor of Psychology, Professor of Health Behavior and Health Education, School of Public Health and Director, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan

**Crime Reduction - Al Blumstein**

J. Erik Jonsson University Professor of Urban Systems and Operations Research; Former Dean of the Heinz School  
Carnegie Mellon University

**Human Behavior and Environmental Change - Roberta Balstad**

Senior Research Scientist, and a Senior Fellow, Center for International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN)  
Columbia University

**Health and Behavior - Norman B. Anderson**

Chief Executive Officer and Executive Vice President  
American Psychological Association

12:00 - 2:00 pm

**Lunch Speaker:**

**Cora Marrett**

Deputy Director  
National Science Foundation

2:15 - 3:30

**Concurrent Sessions on Policy Issues**

1) **The SBE Sciences in STEM Education**

**Felice Levine**

Executive Director  
American Educational Research Association

**Steve Breckler**

Executive Director for Science  
American Psychological Association

**Shirley Malcom**

Head, Education and Human Resources  
American Association for the Advancement of Science

2) **Changing Demographics and Immigration Policy**

**Richard Alba**

Distinguished Professor of Sociology  
CUNY Graduate Center

**William Frey**

Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution  
Research Professor, Population Studies Center  
University of Michigan

**Michael Olivas**

William B. Bates Distinguished Chair of Law  
Director, Institute of Higher Education Law & Governance  
University of Houston

**Linda Jacobsen (Moderator)**

Vice President, Domestic Programs,  
Population Reference Bureau

3:30 - 5:00

**Looking Ahead: New Tools, New Areas for Research**

**Robert Groves**

Director  
U.S. Census Bureau

**Myron Gutmann**

Assistant Director, Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences Directorate  
National Science Foundation

**Robert Kaplan**

Director, Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research  
National Institutes of Health

5:00 - 5:30

**Founders Awards**

5:30 - 7:00

**30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reception**

**Thursday, November 3** (8:30 - noon)

8:45 - 9:30 am

**Science Policy in an Age of Austerity**

**Subra Suresh**  
Director  
National Science Foundation

9:45 - 11:30

**Challenges for Social/Behavioral Science in the Deficit Driven Federal Budget Climate**

**David Price**  
North Carolina, 6<sup>th</sup> District  
U.S. House of Representatives

**Wendy Baldwin**  
President  
Population Reference Bureau

**John Laub**  
Director  
National Institute of Justice

**Ruth Lee,**  
Director  
Research Councils United Kingdom, USA Office

**Michael McPherson**  
President  
Spencer Foundation

**Kenneth Prewitt (Moderator)**  
Columbia University  
COSSA President