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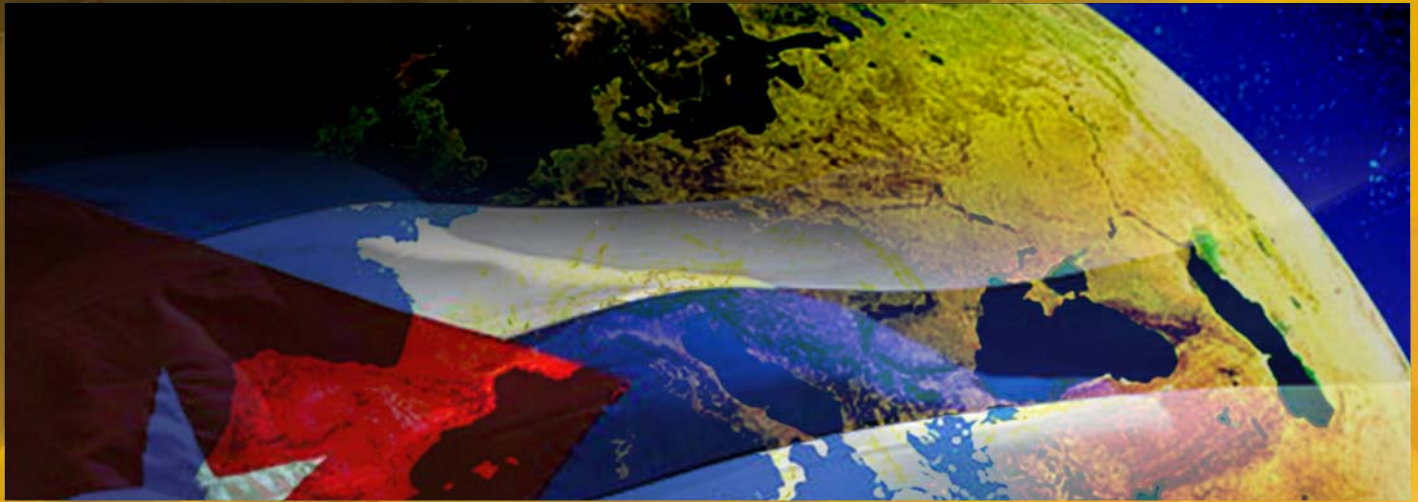
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Preparing Miami for Democratic Transition in Cuba

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Monday, November 16, 2015 | 6:30 PM | FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus | CBC 232 - 235

The Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs and the Václav Havel Program for Human Rights & Diplomacy invite you to a conversation with Ambassador Michael Žantovský. Mr. Žantovský is an accomplished diplomat, serving as ambassador of the Czech Republic to the United Kingdom from 2009-2015, as the Czech Ambassador to the United States and to Israel, as Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defense and Security of the Senate, as well as President of the Civic Democratic Alliance.

Michael Žantovský the Director of the Václav Havel Library in Prague and has worked as a free-lance translator and author, translating into Czech more than 50 works. He has also authored books including the biography of Velvet Revolution leader and former Czech President Václav Havel. He was the Prague correspondent of Reuters, an international news agency, and the founding member of the Czech chapter of PEN, an international organization that promotes literature and freedom of expression. This event marks the 26th anniversary of the Velvet Revolution, a non-violent transition of power from a communist government in Czechoslovakia to democracy in the Czech Republic and Slovakia. Mr. Žantovský brings his experience and passion to FIU to discuss lessons learned in Central Europe that are relevant to Cubans, the Cuban diaspora and the entire Miami community.

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