

## Michael Vickers

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**Geopolitics and What's at Stake for American Business.** One of the most accomplished senior intelligence officials of the last four decades, Michael Vickers understands the current geopolitical environment like no one else. With career bookends spanning the real-life *Charlie Wilson's War* to the raid against Osama bin Laden, this Green Beret-turned-CIA operative-turned top Pentagon intelligence official shares insights and eye-opening stories on challenges to the current world order (including the development of the cyber domain), the countries organizations should be watching, and what's at stake for American business. Called a "national security star" by the *Washington Post*, he offers a nuanced and enlightening viewpoint on each challenge and tangible takeaways for his audiences. He shares what has succeeded in keeping America safe and where we still have work to do as we look toward the future changes and growing instability coming our way.

**Transformational Leadership.** Vickers was the "CEO" of our nation's \$80 billion, 180,000-person, defense intelligence enterprise and led the most comprehensive, mission-focused transformation of defense intelligence in our nation's history. His leadership experience ranges from the individual operator level to large, complex global organizations. Through engaging stories from his legendary career as an intelligence operator, he shares hard-hitting insights on strategic and operational leadership, the necessary traits of a leader, the different forms of leadership authority, and how leadership should evolve at each level of an organization.