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The U.S. and Global Economy: Near-Term Outlook.

More than five years past the financial crisis, what forces can sustain recent economic growth? What forces might restrain it? Are certain companies, industries, and countries better positioned to take advantage of the economic opportunities available today? Slaughter provides a framework for answering these and other pressing questions with probabilities and scenarios, all based on key facts and insights from current trends and policies with a conversation about three alternative scenarios of growth—strong, tepid, or none. He shares insights on the current economic environment and where the economy may be headed. His eye-opening perspective on the global and domestic economy helps organizations plan better for the near future, identify opportunities, and protect against risk.

America's Opportunity Opportunity.

America finds itself in a period of relative economic calm: Several years beyond the trough of the financial crisis and before the fiscal and economic pressures of our aging society are projected to accelerate. Thus is there a window of opportunity today to enact policies to support a stronger economy. For the large majority of American workers and their families, what would a stronger economy entail? More jobs and rising incomes linked to the dynamic global economy—in a way that recently has not been happening as it did over much of the 20th century. Thus there is a chance to expand workers' opportunity today. Will business and policy leaders seize this opportunity? Whether the United States does so will carry dramatic implications for America's future vitality. Slaughter frames the issue, and discusses the possibility and probability of seizing it in non-partisan ways.

Global Economics 2020: What Vision Do You Have For Your Economic Future?

To successfully lead companies into the future, executives need to understand both where the global economy is heading in the years to come and also what strategies can create truly global organizations in terms of customers, resources and talent, and overall mindset. Slaughter examines the most important forces shaping the global economy out to 2020 and beyond—forces such as emerging-market growth, demographics, and the politics of globalization. The talk offers facts, frameworks, and insightful examples to help business and civic leaders determine what vision they need to formulate and implement a sustainable long-term strategy.