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Immigration and Entrepreneurship: A Conversation with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

May 8, 2013

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

University of Chicago Booth School of Business
Gleacher Center, Room 621
450 North Cityfront Plaza Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60611

The linkage between entrepreneurship and immigration has been proven by numerous studies as has the linkage between entrepreneurship and economic development. Why then can't we make it easier for entrepreneurial immigrants to stay in the United States?

[U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services](#) (USCIS), the government agency responsible for administering immigration benefits, invites you to attend a highly interactive town hall meeting to discuss the issues at the nexus of immigration law, entrepreneurship, and innovation, including policies and practices to make the U.S. a welcoming place for innovation-driven entrepreneurs. The program will feature a panel from the local entrepreneurial community who will discuss their experiences, as well as time for Q&A to discuss ideas to enhance current policies and programs. Panelists include:

- Alejandro Mayorkas, director, USCIS
- Ashish Rangnekar, founder and CEO, Benchprep
- Uzi Shmilovici, founder and CEO, Base
- Ian Wagreich, partner, Latimer, LeVay, Fyock LLC
- Ellen Rudnick, clinical professor, Chicago Booth; executive director, Polsky Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Ted Gonder, founder and executive director, Moneythink; entrepreneur in residence, USCIS

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