## Immigrants in Our Midst: Unleashing the Economic Power of Our New Americans

**Southern Illinois University Edwardsville - Morris University Center** 

Friday, November 4, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

9:30 a.m. - Registration, coffee and snacks

Presentation begins promptly at 10 a.m. Space is limited. Register <u>here</u>

\$10 in advance (includes networking lunch and parking) \$15 at the door

Panel One: <u>Demographics and Hot Topics</u>

Kickoff Address—Rob Schwartz, TheBANK of Edwardsville

Dr. Ness Sandoval, St. Louis University—Demographics

Ken Schmitt, US Legal Solutions—Legal Issues—
Future of DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) and
DAPA (Deferred Action for Parents of Americans & Lawful Permanent Residents)

## **Lunch Keynote:**

Michele Waslin, American Immigration Council, Washington D.C.

Panel Two: Investing in New Americans to Contribute

Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois, *Manufacturing Our Future*Madison County Employment and Training

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Panel Three: <u>Return on Investment—Success Stories</u>
Silvia Torres Bowman, <u>Illinois International Trade Center at SIUE</u>
Betsy Cohen, <u>The St. Louis MOSAIC Project</u>
Small business success stories-- and more!