



## Panel Discussion “Immigrant Contributions to New York’s Economy” Wednesday, April 22, 2009



In this period of financial uncertainty, it is easy to lose hope in the American Dream. However, **Upwardly Global**, in partnership with **LaGuardia Community College**, would like to show how a new generation of immigrants are working to revitalize that dream and working to create economic growth for New York.

We invite you for a morning of education, discussion, and networking as we explore this topic.

Join us in acknowledging and celebrating immigrant contributions during this year’s Immigrant Heritage Week, and to learn from the notable panelists about the wealth of contributions immigrants bring to New York.

### Register today!

This is a free event, but seating is limited. RSVP today by contacting:  
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#### About Upwardly Global

Upwardly Global is a nationally recognized nonprofit organization that equips immigrant professionals with skills and resources to rebuild their careers in the U.S., and help U.S. employers benefit from this hidden pool of talent. Visit [www.upwardlyglobal.org](http://www.upwardlyglobal.org) to learn more.

#### About LaGuardia Community College

A catalyst for development in Western Queens and beyond, LaGuardia Community College serves New Yorkers and immigrants from 160 countries enabling career advancement and transfer to four- year colleges at twice the national average. Visit [www.lagcc.cuny.edu](http://www.lagcc.cuny.edu) to learn more.

#### WHEN:

Wednesday, April 22  
8.30-9.00 am: Breakfast and registration  
9.00-11.00 am: Panel, Q&A

#### WHERE:

LaGuardia Community College  
Room E-242  
31-10 Thomson Avenue  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
Visit [www.lagcc.cuny.edu/visit](http://www.lagcc.cuny.edu/visit) for directions.

#### WHO:

**David Dyssegaard Kallick**, Senior Fellow, Fiscal Policy Institute

**Tara Colton**, Deputy Director, Center for an Urban Future

**Nikki Cicerani**, Managing Director, Upwardly Global NY

**David Lipscomb**, VP of Diversity and Inclusion, Sovereign Bank

**Suma Kurien**, Director, Center for Immigrant & Training, LaGuardia Community College

#### Moderator:

Sewell Chan, Bureau Chief/City Room Metropolitan News, the New York Times

#### AGENDA:

Immigrant profiles in NY

Immigrant entrepreneurs in NY

Immigrant professionals in NY

- Solutions to challenges faced by immigrant professionals and success stories

Immigrant professionals in the U.S. workforce

- The added value of hiring immigrant professionals for American businesses

Education and immigrants in NY



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