



Agenda 2030 Masterclass Lecture with James Carras, Adjunct Lecturer in Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School

December 10 3PM - 4PM EDT via Zoom

Join us for an insightful Masterclass led by James Carras, a nationally recognized leader in equitable community and economic development. With over 30 years of expertise in creating and expanding innovative financial institutions and community investment initiatives, Mr. Carras brings invaluable practical knowledge to the table.

This session is part of the **Agenda 2030 Masterclass Series**, a collaboration between the Global MDP Association's North American Student Advisory Council (SAAC) and the Harvard Extension School Global Development Practice Student Society (GDPSS). Designed for development practitioner students across 12 North American universities, the series aims to bridge academic learning with field expertise, empowering the next generation of global development leaders.

In this Masterclass, Mr. Carras will share:

- Fundamentals of forging strategic partnerships in development.
- Practical insights from his extensive experience in policy, finance, and community-driven initiatives.
- Lessons learned from over 300 professional workshops and decades of academic leadership.

About the Speaker: James Carras is an Adjunct Lecturer in Public Policy at Harvard University, where he teaches courses on equitable development, housing policy, and racial equity in urban settings. His professional achievements include designing solutions for equitable development, founding multiple financial and housing organizations, and serving in advisory roles for policymakers. A recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Council of Development Finance Agencies, Mr. Carras is also a prolific writer and researcher on topics such as affordable housing and community reinvestment.

Who Should Attend: This session is tailored for development practitioner students, faculty, and emerging professionals passionate about creating impactful partnerships to drive sustainable development across North America. It is also open to MDP affiliates globally. Don't miss this opportunity!

Registration link: <u>http://bit.ly/3Zv9IPT</u>