



*Fulbright Arctic Symposium at the National Academy of Sciences*

*Thursday, October 27, 9am-4:30pm*



**Ambassador Mark Brzezinski**

Ambassador Mark Brzezinski is the Executive Director of the Arctic Executive Steering Committee, which oversees the implementation of the National Strategy for the Arctic Region. He previously served as U.S. Ambassador to Sweden from 2011 to 2015.

During his tenure in Stockholm, which included the period of Sweden's chairmanship of the Arctic Council, Ambassador Brzezinski worked closely with the Swedish government on a wide range of Arctic issues. Under his leadership, the U.S. Embassy developed new partnerships with governments and diplomats, businesses, and the environmental and NGO communities, with emphasis on the link between what is happening in the Arctic and what is happening in the rest of the world.

From 1999 to 2001, Ambassador Brzezinski served on the National Security Council staff under President Clinton, first as Director for Russia and Eurasia, and then as Director for the Balkans. He received his undergraduate degree at Dartmouth College, a law degree at the University of Virginia Law School, has Doctorate in political science from Oxford University, and was a Fulbright Scholar in Warsaw, Poland. Before joining the Obama Administration, he was also a partner at a Washington, DC law firm and he is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.