Please join the Woodrow Wilson Center’s Brazil Institute and the Program on America and the Global Economy for

“How to Improve Brazil’s Industrial Growth and Export Performance”

Tuesday February 12th, 2013
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
6th Floor Flom Auditorium

Featuring: Otaviano Canuto, Vice President and Head for Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network, World Bank

José Guilherme Reis, Lead Trade Economist, World Bank

Matheus Cavallari, Consultant, World Bank

Discussants: John Bryson, Distinguished Scholar, Wilson Center, and former Secretary of Commerce under President Barack Obama

Kent Hughes, Director, Program on American and the Global Economy

Moderator: Paulo Sotero, Director, Brazil Institute

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Modest industrial production growth and disappointing export performances are at the center of an economic policy debate that has been raging in Brazil since 2011, in which the rate of GDP expansion abruptly declined from 7.5% in 2010 to 2.7% and dropped again to around 1% last year.

On February 12, the Brazil Institute will convene a seminar to examine the causes of the negative trend and what needs to happen for the country to return to the average 4% annual growth of the Lula years, while improving the productivity and competitiveness of its economy, as President Dilma Rousseff has pledged to do. The discussion will feature the co-authors of an important policy research working paper recently published by the World Bank under the title Brazilian exports: climbing down a competitiveness cliff.

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