

IAED USA Webinar Today: The Crisis of Family Formation

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Dear,

Please join us today for this important discussion that will have a global impact on the future of mankind

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New York, USA (EST): Friday, February 27, 2026 at 6:00:00 pm
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Today we are experiencing a global fertility crisis that many are calling “the most crucial economic issue of our time”. Focusing resources behind family formation policies is essential to addressing many pressing contemporary challenges that result from declining birth rates, including mental health crises, spiraling welfare costs, and poverty. An aging and declining population becomes a serious financial threat for governments to meet the essential needs for social security expenditure, infrastructure, debt financing, defense spending and more.

IAED has developed a “Headwing Economics” Framework outlining a roadmap toward an economy of Freedom, Peace and Shared Prosperity. We highlight the importance of an economy where the cultural sphere informs the economic and political spheres to create an environment where healthy families grounded in strong values can flourish.

This program looks deeper into the root causes of our fertility crisis, the delaying of marriage and child-rearing and examines the impact to our economy and social harmony. What are the demographic trends involving marriage and child-

rearing? What policies should our governments pursue? Are the obstacles to reversing these trends primarily economic or cultural? The U.S. does not currently have a national strategy for family formation to address this crisis. Should it?

Panelists



Dan Hess

@MoreBirths

The Great Crisis of Low Birthrates Threatening our Future and the Biggest Levers to Reverse It.



Dr. Lyman Stone

Institute for Family Studies

Causal Factors of the Fertility Gap, its Threat to Economic and Social Stability and Pro-Natalism Policies: What Needs to be Done



Delano Squires

Heritage Foundation

Crossroads: Why America's Next 250 Years Will be Determined by the Strength of its Families



Dr. Robert Kittel

World Christian Leadership
Conference

A Theology of Marriage



Lynn Walsh

**Universal Peace Federation's Office of
the Family**

Respondent



Alan Jessen

Moderator, IAED

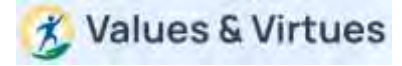
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[Headwing Economics Framework](#)



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