

GEORGE M. INGRAM

George Ingram's professional career – working in the Congress, the Executive Branch, and the non-profit sector – has focused on international economic and development policy.

He serves as co-chair of the Modernizing Foreign Assistance Network, an alliance of development organizations, think tanks, and academics that advocate for modernizing US foreign assistance programs and structures.

He also chairs the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition, a network of more than 400 companies and NGOs that advocate for greater resources for U.S. engagement in international affairs, and is a member of the board of its sister organization the Center for US Global Leadership.

From 1973 to 1995 Mr. Ingram was a senior staff member of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, responsible for international economic and development issues. His work included directing a year-long study of U.S. foreign assistance programs and drafting a full rewrite of the Foreign Assistance Act (passed the House but not the Senate) and statutes authorizing assistance to Eastern & Central Europe (SEED Act) and to the Former Soviet Union (FREEDOM Support Act).

Mr. Ingram served from 1995 to 1998 as Vice President of Citizens Democracy Corps, an NGO supporting business development in the Former Soviet Union and Eastern and Central Europe. From 1998 to 2000, he was Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development with primary responsibility for U.S. assistance programs in the Former Soviet Union.

From 2001-2011 he worked at AED. In his initial role there, 2001-2004, he was founding director of the Basic Education Coalition, a consortium of development organizations that advocates for greater priority for basic education in development programs. From 2004-2009 he was founding director of the Education Policy and Data Center, a research organization that focuses on improving the availability and use of data and policy analysis for education in developing countries. He then served as Senior Vice President for Public Policy and then briefly as interim President and CEO.

He serves on the boards of the Eurasia Foundation, the Executive Council on Diplomacy, and the Dockery Farm Foundation.

Mr. Ingram holds a bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina, a master's degree from Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (first year in Bologna, Italy), and a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. He served as an adjunct professor at Georgetown University 1998-2000.