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Former GOP congressman Carlos Curbelo and economist Glenn Hubbard join AMS Board of Advisors

The Alliance for Market Solutions (AMS) today announced that Carlos Curbelo, former member of the U.S. Congress, and Glenn Hubbard, dean of the Columbia Business School and former chairman of the U.S. Council of Economic Advisers, have joined its Board of Advisors.

Curbelo, a Republican who represented Florida's 26th congressional district from 2015 to 2018, co-founded and co-chaired the Congressional Climate Solutions Caucus and introduced the first Republican legislation to address climate change in a decade last year.

“AMS is a platform for me to continue my work to address climate change,” said Curbelo. “In Florida, there is no escaping the reality that the sea is rising—we have to do something. I am proud to have introduced the first Republican climate legislation in a decade and will continue to encourage Republicans to lead on this issue to protect our economy and our way of life for today and tomorrow.”

Hubbard was chairman of the U.S. Council of Economic Advisers from 2001 until 2003. A regular commentator in national media outlets, he is the author of three popular textbooks and more than 100 scholarly articles in economics and finance.

“Conservatives should not ignore the risk of climate change, and, from an economics perspective, a carbon tax simply is the correct answer,” said Hubbard. “It will drive low-carbon innovation more efficiently than regulations or incentives.”

“We are pleased to welcome Congressman Curbelo and Dr. Hubbard to the board,” said Alex Flint, executive director of AMS. “These are two of the nation’s most knowledgeable experts in our field, one on the politics of a carbon tax and one on the economics of a carbon tax. Their diverse experience and expertise will further strengthen AMS’s esteemed board and help to advance the organization’s efforts to reduce carbon pollution and grow the economy through a revenue-neutral carbon tax.”

Curbelo and Hubbard join 10 current advisors to AMS, including Vicky A. Bailey, president and founder of Anderson Stratton Enterprises; Christopher DeMuth, distinguished fellow at the Hudson Institute; John Graham, dean of the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs; William Kunkler, executive vice president of operations of CC
Industries; Mel Martinez, former U.S. Senator; Marvin Odum, former chairman and president of Shell Oil Company; John W. Rowe, chairman emeritus of Exelon Corporation; Edward B. Rust Jr., former chief executive officer of State Farm Mutual (and its principal affiliates); William Strong, chairman and managing director of Longford Capital Management; Jeffrey P. Williams, founder and chairman of Jeffrey Williams & Co.; and Stephen M. Wolf, former chairman and CEO of United Airlines, U.S. Airways, Republic Airlines, Flying Tiger International, Inc.

Additional information about the AMS Board of Advisors can be found here.

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*Alliance for Market Solutions* (AMS) is an organization of conservative leaders with experience in business, government, and the intellectual community who know that markets and economic incentives are the most powerful drivers of change and are more efficient and effective than top-down regulation. We aim to educate conservative policymakers on the benefits of market-oriented solutions to one of America’s most pressing economic challenges: advancing clean energy and reducing carbon pollution.

The carbon tax policy we support is consistent with a pro-growth conservative agenda. It would replace costly regulations and prevent new regulations from burdening families and job creators. And it would eliminate economically harmful taxes on investment and family incomes. AMS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization. We do not engage in electoral politics on behalf of any candidate, campaign or party. We are recruiting allies and developing policy analyses to help conservative policymakers consider a pro-growth, conservative carbon tax policy.