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On 26 November, the American Chamber of Commerce in Madagascar was officially launched at a sold-out dinner, with representatives of the Malagasy and U.S. governments and around 140 members of the business community in attendance. Corporate Council on Africa (CCA) President Stephen Hayes gave the key note speech at AmCham's first event. Along with United States Ambassador R. Niels Marquardt and the Honorable Minister of Economy, Commerce, and Industry Ivohasina Razafimahefa, Mr. Hayes discussed creating a robust investment climate in Madagascar. Based in Washington, DC, CCA members are responsible for around 85 percent of all American investment in Africa. The mission of AmCham is to facilitate investment and trade and to promote good will between the United States and Madagascar. The objectives of the Chamber are to further American commercial and other interests in Madagascar, encourage American-Malagasy trade and business, provide a business, social, and policy forum for its members, and strengthen American-Malagasy bonds of friendship.