

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR BUSINESS ECONOMICS**  
***Silicon Valley Roundtable—February 2006 Meeting***

\*\*\*\*\*Tuesday, February 14, Noon, Menlo Park Library\*\*\*\*\*

Topic **Foreign Remittance and Economic Development in Emerging Economies**

Speaker: **John D. Hipsley**

John Hipsley began his professional career in Australia as a lawyer and barrister working for the Australian Federal Government's Law Reform Commission, John is the CEO of Smart Trac Corp which he formed in April 2002 as a forward marketing and development company bringing new technologies to emerging markets domestically and emerging economies internationally. John has served as a consultant to Visa International, where he was responsible for the production of the Visa Open Platform Product and Vendor Guide (May 1998), a publication that became a standard reference for the smart card industry. He was also a member of the design group completing the Visa Open Platform web site. From 1999 through 2002, John was Vice President of Strategic Planning and Communications for Smart Chip Technologies ("SCTN"). The vision for Smart Trac is "Bringing banking for all emerging markets and economies".

When: **Tuesday, February, Noon to 2 PM**

Where: **Menlo Park Library**

Directions: El Camino Real north or south to Menlo Park. East on Ravenswood Avenue (towards Highway 101). Right onto Alma Street (first right after crossing the railroad tracks). The library is the first building on the left and is part of the Menlo Park Civic Center complex.

Fees: \$15 members, \$20 non-members for lunch and meeting, pay at the door. Free parking.

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