

Round 1 - Domestic Political

Speaker 1

1. Will the Republican party be able to keep its gains with Latino voters?
2. What is the biggest impact prediction markets are having on the public?
3. A November blue wave: real possibility, or all hype?

Speaker 2

1. A Republican midterm convention: fluke, or first of many?
2. What does the bipartisan anti-data center messaging during election season mean for potential legislation?
3. What policies must change in wildfire fighting following an intense season?

Speaker 3

1. Where should Democrats focus spending to take the Senate in November?
2. Where should Republicans focus spending to take the Senate in November?
3. What policy changes should be made in preparation for a growing wave of retirees?

Speaker 4

1. How will recent misconduct and investigations into ICE affect public opinion?
2. The rise of democratic socialism: boon or bane for the Democratic party?
3. Would the “Montana Plan” for Citizens United ultimately lead to a positive shift in voter’s views on elections?

Speaker 5

1. Are Nebraska candidate Dan Osborn’s chances at winning ruined after his leaked audio?
2. How should young hopefuls take advantage of record-setting retirement in Congress?
3. A new deal in Greenland; good policy, or just good politics?

Speaker 6

1. What role will redistricting play in the midterms?
2. Do the Republican votes against party lines on Iran signal a broader shift away from Trumpism within the party?
3. How will public backlash to AI-powered surveillance shape policing?

Rounds 2 - International Economic

Speaker 1

1. How should the European Union respond to the economic risk being created by prediction markets?
2. Are debt swaps a smart move to fund the African Union's future?
3. Given recent developments, is AI more likely to help or hurt the global economy?

Speaker 2

1. On a scale from 1-10, 10 being highest, how likely is Elif Eralp's plan to expropriate Berlin housing to lower prices long-term? (name pronounced: ee-leaf air-aalp)
2. Looking ahead, how can shipping companies fortify their energy systems to weather spikes in the price of oil?
3. Is global inflation reaching a peak, or just a false summit?

Speaker 3

1. What can be done to lower the cost of energy in the United Kingdom?
2. War in the Middle East: boon or bane for BRICS?
3. Facing down record global debt, how should the IMF respond?

Speaker 4

1. How should Eurozone countries capitalize on their surprise growth?
2. What methods remain for stabilizing the price of oil following Houthi attacks on Saudi Arabia?
3. How will Australia's proposed social media algorithm opt-out affect advertisers?

Speaker 5

1. On a scale from 1-10, 10 being highest, how worried should investors be about global debt?
2. Assuming the Strait of Hormuz reopens, what global shipping chokepoint should we be worried about next?
3. Is Argentina on the brink of a recession?

Speaker 6

1. Will the Bolivia-IMF deal be able to stabilize Bolivia's economy?
2. Is an associate membership in the European Union a good move for Canada in the long term?
3. Where should ASEAN focus its development to create growth in the region?

Finals - Hypothetical

1. The current congress is the least productive in history. Given the opportunity, what reforms would you make to keep Congress on task?
2. You become President of the United States tomorrow. What do you predict to be the most important policy of your presidency?
3. You are elected leader of the U.N. How do you ensure progress toward the 2030 development goals in the face of slowdowns?