Javier Marin, MBA-IB, CEcD, CGBP- Biographical Information

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Javier advances the vision of the Central Florida Development Council (CFDC) through attraction of Foreign Direct Investment, International Trade and Business Resiliency initiatives intended to support expansion and retention of existing firms.

Javier has earned hands-on, in-depth expertise in business growth, trade finance, business lending, mortgages, strategic planning, and business reorganization and relocation. Prior to the CFDC, he was an Assistant Director with the Florida Small Business Development Center at USF, where he was responsible for international trade, finance, and growth acceleration services, and before that,

he invested a combined 22 years in the banking industry- he considers himself a "recovering banker." Additionally, his extensive experience with non-profit organizations enabled him to gain a good insight of the synergies among the private, public, and non-profit sectors. Javier has been a guest speaker, panelist and workshop facilitator with several organizations.

Javier holds an MBA in International Business from Webber International University and a BAS in Public Administration from Polk State College. He has also earned credentials as a Certified Business Analyst (CBA), Certified Economic Developer (CEcD), and Certified Global Business Professional (CGBP).

Javier was a two-term elected member of the Dover, NJ Board of Education and Mayor of the Town of Dover, NJ for one term (2004-2005). He has lived in Colombia and Sweden and is also fluent in Spanish and Swedish.