

The 10th Annual Cavalier Invitational

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R1: US Politics

1 What is Kevin McCarthy's Congressional legacy?	6 Should House Republicans seek new leadership for 2024?
2 Did the Wisconsin Supreme Court decide correctly in its gerrymandering case?	7 What role, if any, will abortion play in the 2024 election cycle?
3 Why has Ron DeSantis's Presidential campaign struggled in the polls?	8 What will be George Santos's political legacy?
4 How likely will Nikki Haley win the Republican Party nomination for President?	9 How can the Republican Party improve its outreach to voters of color?
5 What impact, if any, will Dean Phillips have in the 2024 campaign cycle?	10 Should Congress pursue Supreme Court ethics reform in 2024?

R2: Americas & Europe

1 Should Chile pursue a third attempt at a new Constitution?	6 How critical is Swedish membership to NATO's strength?
2 What is fuelling the recent wave of violence in Ecuador?	7 Will Russia's change in strategy improve its position in its war with Ukraine?
3 How likely is dollarization to stabilize the Argentinian economy?	8 Should the UK continue pursuing its asylum bill to transfer refugees to Rwanda?
4 Can Brazilian President Lula da Silva keep his promise to protect Indigenous lands?	9 Why was Greece so successful in tackling inflation in 2023?
5 Will Canada's childcare reforms succeed?	10 Why is Alternative for Germany (AFD) gaining domestic support?

R3: US Economic Issues

1 How likely will job growth in the US continue in 2024?	6 What impact will AI development have for the US economy in 2024?
2 How likely will the Federal Reserve need to raise interest rates in 2024?	7 Do strong December retail sales numbers signal strength in the US economy?
3 Is an economic soft landing now inevitable for the US economy?	8 Are US consumers taking on too much personal debt?
4 Will 2024 be another year of strong growth for organized labor?	9 Will the US economy see more wage growth in 2024?
5 Are cryptocurrencies a safe investment after FTX's downfall?	10 Will domestic chips manufacturing yield economic dividends for the US economy?

R4: Africa & Southwest Asia

1 Will Kenya's new foreign policy ambitions prove successful in 2024?	6 Why have energy prices remained stable despite the Gaza war?
2 How can Congolese President Felix Tshisekedi gain the trust of those who question his re-election's legitimacy?	7 Will Saudi investments in professional sports pay off in the long term?
3 How can the Sudanese army regain ground lost to the Rapid Support Forces?	8 Is escalation between Israel and Hezbollah forces in Lebanon inevitable?
4 What should Abdel-Fattah al-Sisi prioritize in his new term as Egypt's President?	9 Will the Israeli Supreme Court decision on judicial reforms undermine the Netanyahu unified government?
5 Will the Catholic Church's blessing of same-sex marriages hinder its influence in Africa?	10 Will attacks on ships in the Red Sea undermine the Yemeni civil war peace talks?

SF: US Energy & Environment

1 How well has the EPA responded to air pollution under the Biden Administration?	6 Should the Biden Administration approve the CP2 natural gas export terminal permit?
2 How can the Biden Administration boost electric vehicle adoption in the US in 2024?	7 How can the Biden Administration boost waning interest in offshore wind energy production?
3 How should the Biden Administration boost domestic solar energy production?	8 What role, if any, should carbon capture technologies play in US efforts to curb domestic carbon emissions?
4 Will solar energy investments by traditional energy companies pay long term dividends?	9 How likely is the EPA's proposed lead pipes rule to receive final approval?
5 Will California's incentives for electric trucks reshape freight transit in the US?	10 How should Florida reform its flood insurance market to protect its homes?

F:Central, East & Southeast Asia

1 What global impact if any, will electric vehicle demand by Chinese consumers have?	6 Will the death of Lee Sun-kyun force South Korea to reconsider its drug laws?
2 How can the BNP regain the trust of the Bangladeshi public?	7 How effective was China's influence campaign ahead of Taiwan's elections?
3 What will be the impact of China's anti-corruption purges in its military?	8 What missteps by Myanmar's junta caused its weakened position?
4 Will Japan regret its decision to export defense weaponry?	9 How should the UN respond to Afghanistan's refusal to improve gender and human rights?
5 How should the Philippines address rampant domestic poverty?	10 Will the knife attack on Lee Jae-myung mark a turning point in South Korean politics?