

Scott Modell Joins The Rapidan Group As Partner

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Robert McNally, president and founder of The Rapidan Group, a Bethesda-based energy market, policy, and geopolitical consulting firm, announced Scott Modell will become a Partner at the firm. Mr. Modell, who has been a Senior Advisor to The Rapidan Group since last March and will now assume the title of Managing Director, will lead the firm's geopolitical analysis research and advisory services.

McNally said "I am honored and thrilled that Scott Modell will contribute to The Rapidan Group as a partner and head of geopolitical analysis. Scott brings tremendous skill and experience as decorated former intelligence official and astute geopolitical analyst. Scott is an uncommonly talented and seasoned expert on Iran and the broader Middle East and offers unparalleled insight into geopolitical and energy related developments and trends in that region, as well as Latin America and Europe."

Scott Modell is a highly decorated former Central Intelligence Agency officer who served for 13 years in the Directorate of Operations, with five tours conducting Iranian operations in Latin America, Western Europe, and the Middle East.

He also participated in post 9-11 operations in Afghanistan, serving on the battlefields in the southern and southeastern regions of the country as a member of paramilitary counterterrorism teams composed of CIA officers and local Afghan forces.

In addition to his Rapidan Group responsibilities, Mr. Modell is currently a Non-Resident Fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies focusing on security issues related to Iran and the Middle East and formerly a senior advisor to U.S. Special Operations Command on Counter Threat Finance operations.

Mr. Modell is fluent in Spanish, Farsi, and Portuguese, and received his M.A. from the Georgetown School of Foreign Service.

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