



Whose democracy is it?

TWO DISCUSSIONS ABOUT U.S. DIPLOMACY AND DEMOCRACY PROMOTION AROUND THE WORLD

“Can the whole world become democratic? Is it really possible to build free and democratic societies throughout the world? Doing so must involve...the generation of new norms. Democratic structures will be mere facades unless people...value the principles of democracy: sovereignty, accountability, freedom, and law.”

– Larry Diamond, *The Spirit of Democracy*

Two complementary discussions will unravel the U.S. policies of diplomacy and democracy building around the world. How is democracy achieved and sustained? What role can and should America play in these efforts? Join scholars and U.S. diplomats for analysis and insider perspectives on the benefits and challenges of building democratic societies around the world.

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 6 P.M.

Senior officials from three nonpartisan organizations—the **National Democratic Institute**, the **International Republican Institute**, and the **American Academy of Diplomacy**—will reveal what it takes to promote and sustain democracy abroad. Ambassadors and on-the-ground personnel from such regions as the Middle East, Latin America, and Yemen will give first-person accounts of their work and its challenges.

Presented in partnership with the Minnesota International Center.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29, NOON–1:30 P.M.

Political scholar Larry Diamond, a senior fellow at Stanford University’s Hoover Institution, will talk about his new book, *The Spirit of Democracy*. One of America’s preeminent experts on democracy, Diamond will give his analysis on future prospects for freedom in countries across the globe. A panel discussion among Diamond, Humphrey Institute Dean J. Brian Atwood, and University of Minnesota political scientists Lisa Hilbink and August Nimitz will follow.

Presented in partnership with the Department of Political Science’s Pro-Seminar in Comparative Politics.

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The programs are free and open to the public.

Registration is requested at (612) 625-5002.

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Minneapolis.

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