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Welcome to our 50th anniversary symposium. It's an exciting time as the Department of Political Science celebrates 50 years of rigor and relevance as Course 17 at MIT. Today, with the help of our distinguished panelists, we recognize the many contributions our faculty and alumni have made and continue to make to scholarship, public policy, and public life. Each of the five panels takes a look back in history or forward into the future, and focuses on a distinguishing feature of the department. There will be a short period for questions after each panel, during which we hope to hear from you with your questions. While we will not be able to discuss all of the momentous events, programs, scholarship, and influence originating in the department, we hope you enjoy a glimpse of the excitement that we have been a part of and look forward to continuing.

It is a pleasure to be here with you today. Please be sure to join us for lunch in the department, and enjoy the symposium!

Cordially,

Andrea Campbell

DEPARTMENT HEAD

Arthur and Ruth Sloan Professor
of Political Science

SCHEDULE

Friday, November 6th, 2015

9:00 AM – 4:45 PM

MIT's Wong Auditorium | Tang Center | Building E51

8:00-9:00 AM REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST

9:00-9:05 AM GREETING

Andrea Campbell, *Department Head*

WELCOME

Melissa Nobles, *Kenan Sahin Dean of the School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, and Professor of Political Science*

9:05-9:20 AM OPENING REMARKS

Steven Rathgeb Smith, PhD '88, *Executive Director, American Political Science Association*

9:20-10:15 AM **PANEL 1: The Contributions of MIT Political Science to National Policy Debates**

- Barry Posen, *National Security Policy*
- Andrea Campbell, *American Health Care and Social Policy*
- Charles Stewart, *Voting Technology Policy*
- Suzanne Berger, *Industrial Policy (PIE)*

Moderator: Richard Samuels

10:15-11:15 AM **PANEL 2: The Contributions of MIT Political Science to Understanding Global Conflict**

- Roger Petersen, *Emotions and Conflict*
- Vipin Narang, *The Second Nuclear Age*
- Richard Nielsen, *Ideas and Conflict*
- Taylor Fravel, *Chinese Military*

Moderator: Barry Posen

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11:15-11:30 AM BREAK

11:30-12:30 PM **PANEL 3: MIT's Distinctive Approaches to the Discipline of Political Science**

- Richard Locke, PhD '89, *Political Economy Provost, Brown University*
- Steve Wilkinson, PhD '98, *Comparative Politics Nilekani Professor of India & South Asian Studies; Chair, Department of Political Science, Yale University*
- Samuel Popkin, PhD '69, *American Politics Professor of Political Science, UC San Diego*
- Benjamin Valentino, PhD '00, *Security Studies Associate Professor of Government, Dartmouth College*
- Archon Fung, PhD '99, *Political Theory Acting Dean and Ford Foundation Professor of Democracy and Citizenship, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University*

Moderator: Ben Schneider

12:30-2:00 PM LUNCH

2:00-3:15 PM **PANEL 4: Conducting Research at MIT: What is unique about being a Political Scientist here?**

- Stephen Van Evera – *Security Studies*
- Chappell Lawson – *Current Head of MISTI and International Policy Lab, Former Executive Director of Planning and Policy, U.S. Customs and Border Control, DHS*
- Lily Tsai – *Founder, MIT Gov/Lab*
- Christopher Warshaw – *“Big Data” and Public Policy*
- Kenneth Oye – *Science and Technology*
- Nazli Choucri – *Cybersecurity*

Moderator: Kathleen Thelen

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3:15-3:30 PM

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3:30-4:45 PM

**PANEL 5: Beyond MIT:
Graduates Who Help Shape the World**

▪ Ivo Daalder, PhD '90

Former US Ambassador to NATO.

Currently, President of the Chicago Council on Global Affairs

▪ Susan Shirk, PhD '74

*Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of State,
Bureau of East Asia and Pacific Affairs.*

Currently, Chair of the 21st Century China Program and the Ho Miu Lam Professor of China and Pacific Relations at the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies (IR/PS) at UC San Diego

▪ William Durch, PhD '88

Distinguished Fellow, The Stimson Center

Advisor to the UN and preparer of the Brahimi Report

▪ Kathleen Hicks, PhD '10

*Former principal deputy under secretary of defense
for policy; also served as deputy undersecretary of defense
for strategy, plans, and forces.*

Currently, Senior Vice President, Henry A. Kissinger Chair, and Director of the International Security Program at the Center for Strategic & International Studies

Moderator: Taylor Fravel

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Suzanne Berger

Suzanne Berger is Raphael Dorman-Helen Starbuck Professor of Political Science. Her current research focuses on politics and globalization. She recently co-chaired the MIT Production in the Innovation Economy project, and in September 2013 published *Making in America: From Innovation to Market*. She created the MIT International Science and Technology Initiatives. She participated in the 1989 Made in America project at MIT. She wrote *Made By Hong Kong* and *Global Taiwan* (with Richard K. Lester). She is the author of *Notre Première Mondialisation* and *How We Compete*. Her earlier work focused on political development (*Peasants Against Politics*) and the organization of interests (*Dualism and Discontinuity in Industrial Societies* and *Organizing Interests in Western Europe*.) Suzanne Berger served as Head of the MIT Department of Political Science, founding chair of the SSRC Committee on West Europe, and Vice President of the American Political Science Association. She has been elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. The French government has awarded her the Palmes Academiques, Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Merite and the Légion d'Honneur.

Andrea Campbell

Andrea Louise Campbell is the Department Head and Arthur and Ruth Sloan Professor of Political Science. Professor Campbell's interests include American politics, political behavior, public opinion, and political inequality, particularly their intersection with social welfare policy, health policy, and tax policy. She is the author of *Trapped in America's Safety Net: One Family's Struggle* (University of Chicago Press, 2014), *How Policies Make Citizens: Senior Citizen Activism and the American Welfare State* (Princeton, 2003) and, with Kimberly J. Morgan, *The Delegated Welfare State: Medicare, Markets, and the Governance of Social Provision* (Oxford, 2011). Her research has appeared in the *American*

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Political Science Review, Political Behavior, Comparative Political Studies, Politics & Society, Studies in American Political Development, and Health Affairs, among others. She holds an A.B. degree from Harvard and a Ph.D. from UC Berkeley. Her research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and Russell Sage Foundation. She is a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance and served on the National Academy of Sciences Commission on the Fiscal Future of the United States.

Nazli Choucri

Nazli Choucri is Professor of Political Science. Her work is in the area of international relations, most notably on sources and consequences of international conflict and violence. Professor Choucri is the architect and Director of the *Global System for Sustainable Development* (GSSD), a multi-lingual web-based knowledge networking system focusing on the multi-dimensionality of sustainability. As Principal Investigator of the MIT-Harvard multi-year project on *Explorations in Cyber International Relations*, she directed a multi-disciplinary multi-method research initiative on the interconnections of cyberspace and international relations, with special attention to matters of theory, method, and policy. She is Editor of the MIT Press Series on *Global Environmental Accord* and, formerly, General Editor of the *International Political Science Review*. She also previously served as the Associate Director of MIT's Technology and Development Program. The author of eleven books and over 120 articles, Professor Choucri is a member of the European Academy of Sciences. She has been involved in research or advisory work for national and international agencies, and for a number of countries. She served two terms as President of the Scientific Advisory Committee of UNESCO's Management of Social Transformation (MOST) Program.

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Ivo Daalder

Ivo H. Daalder has been president of The Chicago Council on Global Affairs since July 2013. Prior to joining the Council, Daalder served as the Ambassador to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization for more than four years. Daalder also served on the National Security Council staff as director for European Affairs from 1995-97. Before his appointment as Ambassador to NATO by President Obama in 2009, Daalder was a senior fellow in foreign policy studies at the Brookings Institution, specializing in American foreign policy, European security and transatlantic relations, and national security affairs. Prior to joining Brookings in 1998, he was an Associate Professor at the University of Maryland's School of Public Policy and director of research at its Center for International and Security Studies. Ambassador Daalder was educated at Oxford and Georgetown Universities, and received his PhD in political science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is married to Elisa D. Harris, and they have two sons.

William Durch

William J. Durch is a distinguished fellow at the Stimson Center in Washington, D.C., where he has co-directed the program on UN peace operations, focusing on improved UN policing strategy and on UN capacity to restore rule of law in post-conflict settings. He served as project director for the UN Secretary-General's Panel on UN Peace Operations (the Brahimi Report) and as a scientific advisor to the US Defense Threat Reduction Agency. Prior to joining Stimson, he was assistant director, Defense and Arms Control Studies program, MIT; research fellow, Harvard Center for Science and International Affairs; and foreign affairs officer, US Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. He has taught at Johns Hopkins, Georgetown, and George Washington Universities. His most recent publications include, *Confronting the Crisis of Global Governance*,

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the report of the Commission on Global Security, Justice and Governance, June 2015 (research director and co-author); and “Police in UN Peace Operations: Evolving Roles and Requirements,” August 2014. He holds a BSFS from Georgetown, MA (IR) from GWU, and a PhD (political science) from MIT.

Taylor Fravel

M. Taylor Fravel is Associate Professor of Political Science and member of the Security Studies Program at MIT. Taylor is a graduate of Middlebury College and Stanford University, where he received his PhD. He has been a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Olin Institute for Strategic Studies at Harvard University, a Predoctoral Fellow at the Center for International Security and Cooperation at Stanford University, a Fellow with the Princeton-Harvard China and the World Program and a Visiting Scholar at the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He also has graduate degrees from the London School of Economics and Oxford University, where he was a Rhodes Scholar. In March 2010, he was named Research Associate with the National Asia Research Program launched by the National Bureau of Asian Research and the Woodrow Wilson International Center.

Archon Fung

Archon Fung is the Academic Dean and Ford Foundation Professor of Democracy and Citizenship at the Harvard Kennedy School. He is serving as the School’s acting Dean in the Fall 2015 semester. His research explores policies, practices, and institutional designs that deepen the quality of democratic governance. He focuses upon public participation, deliberation, and transparency. He co-directs the Transparency Policy Project and leads democratic governance programs of the Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation at the Kennedy

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School. His books include *Full Disclosure: The Perils and Promise of Transparency* (Cambridge University Press, with Mary Graham and David Weil) and *Empowered Participation: Reinventing Urban Democracy* (Princeton University Press). He has authored five books, four edited collections, and over fifty articles appearing in professional journals.

Kathleen Hicks

Kathleen Hicks is senior vice president, Henry A. Kissinger Chair, and director of the International Security Program at CSIS. From 2009 to 2013, Dr. Hicks served as a senior civilian official in the Department of Defense. Confirmed in 2012 as principal deputy under secretary of defense for policy, she was responsible for advising the secretary of defense on global and regional defense policy and strategy pertaining to such areas as the Asia-Pacific and Persian Gulf regions, Syria, and Europe. She also served as deputy under secretary of defense for strategy, plans, and forces, leading the development of the 2012 *Defense Strategic Guidance* and the 2010 *Quadrennial Defense Review* and crafting guidance for future force capabilities, overseas military posture, and contingency and theater campaign plans. She holds a Ph.D. in political science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, an M.A. from the University of Maryland’s School of Public Affairs, and an A.B. magna cum laude from Mount Holyoke College.

Chappell Lawson

Chappell Lawson is an Associate Professor of Political Science at MIT. He directs the MIT International Science and Technology Initiatives (MISTI) program and the newly created International Policy Lab. Professor Lawson’s recent work has focused on Mexican politics, the effect of candidates’ physical appearance on their electoral success, political leadership, and homeland security policy. From September

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2009 through February 2011, Professor Lawson was on leave from MIT as a political appointee in the Obama Administration, serving as Executive Director and Senior Advisor to the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Before joining the MIT faculty, he served briefly as a Director of Inter-American Affairs on the National Security Council staff during the Clinton Administration. Professor Lawson was a National Fellow at The Hoover Institution, Stanford University (2002-2003) and a Visiting Research Fellow at the Center for U.S.-Mexico Studies at the University of California, San Diego (1998-99). He received his Ph.D. from Stanford University in 1999 and his AB from Princeton (the Woodrow Wilson School) in 1989.

Richard Locke

Richard M. Locke, professor of political science and public and international affairs, became Brown University's 13th provost in July 2015. At the time of his appointment, Locke served as the Howard R. Swearer Director of the Watson Institute for International Studies, a position he assumed in 2013 and will maintain until a successor is named. Locke is an internationally respected scholar and authority on international labor markets, worker rights, comparative political economy, labor relations, and corporate responsibility. He has published five books, as well as numerous articles on economic development, labor relations, and corporate responsibility. For his ongoing research on fair and safe working conditions in global supply chains, Locke was named the 2005 Faculty Pioneer in Academic Leadership by The Aspen Institute. He currently chairs the Apple Academic Advisory Board, a group of independent academics who are working with Apple to improve labor conditions among the company's suppliers.

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Richard Nielsen

Richard Nielsen is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at MIT. He completed his PhD (Government) and AM (Statistics) at Harvard University, and holds a BA from Brigham Young University. His current work uses statistical text analysis and fieldwork in Cairo mosques to understand the radicalization of jihadi clerics in the Arab world. Nielsen also writes on international law, the political economy of human rights, political violence, and political methodology. Some of this work is published or forthcoming in *The American Journal of Political Science*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Political Analysis*, and *Sociological Methods and Research*. His research has been supported by the National Science Foundation, the Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies, and the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs.

Vipin Narang

Vipin Narang is an Associate Professor of Political Science at MIT and member of MIT's Security Studies Program. He received his Ph.D. from the Department of Government, Harvard University in May 2010, where he was awarded the Edward M. Chase Prize for the best dissertation in international relations. He holds a B.S. and M.S. in chemical engineering with distinction from Stanford University and an M. Phil with Distinction in international relations from Balliol College, Oxford University, where he studied on a Marshall Scholarship. He has been a fellow at Harvard University's Olin Institute for Strategic Studies, a predoctoral fellow at Harvard University's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, and a junior faculty fellow at Stanford University's Center for International Security and Cooperation. His research interests include nuclear proliferation and strategy, South Asian security, and general security studies. His work has been published in several journals includ-

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ing *International Security*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, and *International Organization*. His book “Nuclear Strategy in the Modern Era” was published by Princeton University Press in 2014.

Kenneth Oye

Kenneth Oye holds a joint appointment in Political Science and Engineering Systems, with research and teaching on international relations, political economy and technology policy. His books include *Cooperation under Anarchy*, *Economic Discrimination and Political Exchange*, and the “Eagle” monographs on American foreign policy. His recent studies on technology policy have been published in *Science*, *Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics*, *Politics and the Life Sciences* and *Issues in Science and Technology*. He serves as Director of the MIT Program on Emerging Technologies (PoET), as a member of the MIT Synthetic Biology Center and the MIT Center for Biomedical Innovation, and as Director of Policy and Practices for NSF SynBERC. In the past several years, he has served as an invited expert to the UN BWC, the WHO, PCAST and the National Research Council. Professor Oye is a recipient of the Levitan Award for Excellence in Teaching (2011), the Graduate Council Teaching Award (1998) and the Technology and Policy Program Faculty Appreciation Award (2003). Before coming to MIT, he taught at Harvard, the University of California, Princeton and Swarthmore. He holds a BA in Economics and Political Science from Swarthmore with Highest Honors and a Ph.D in Political Science from Harvard with the Chase Dissertation Prize.

Roger Petersen

Roger Petersen holds BA, MA, and PhD degrees from the University of Chicago. He has taught at MIT since 2001 and is the Arthur and Ruth Sloan Professor of Political Science. Petersen focuses on within-state

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conflict and violence. He has written three books: *Resistance and Rebellion: Lessons from Eastern Europe* (Cambridge University Press, 2001), *Understanding Ethnic Violence: Fear, Hatred, Resentment in Twentieth Century Eastern Europe* (Cambridge University Press, 2002), and *Western Intervention in the Balkans: The Strategic Use of Emotion in Conflict* (Cambridge University Press, 2011). The latter book was named the Winner of the Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN) Joseph Rothschild Prize in Nationalism and Ethnic Studies; Winner of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Marshall Shulman Book Prize for outstanding monograph dealing with the international relations, foreign policy, or foreign-policy decision-making of any of the states of the former Soviet Union or Eastern Europe; Winner of the International Studies Association ENMISA (Ethnicity, Nationalism, and Migration Section of the International Studies Association) Distinguished Book Award. In collaboration with Austin Long and Jon Lindsay, he is currently working on a manuscript entitled “A Social Science Guide to the Iraq Conflict.” He teaches courses on civil war, civil-military relations, and ethnic politics.

Samuel Popkin

Samuel L. Popkin received his B.S. in Mathematics and Political Science and his Ph.D. from MIT. Currently, a professor at the University of California San Diego, he taught previously at Yale, Harvard and the University of Texas. Dr. Popkin is an active participant as well as an academic analyst of presidential elections. He has consulted on polling, targeting and strategy in six presidential campaigns, and consulted with CBS News and YouGov/Polimetrix on election polling. Popkin is author of *The Candidate: What it Takes to Win — and Hold — the White House.*, which *The New York Times* hailed as a “management bible for the business of presidential campaigning.” Dr. Popkin’s *The Reason-*

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ing Voter: Communication and Persuasion in Presidential Campaigns has been hailed as a “classic” (*Time* magazine). James Carville wrote “If you’re preparing to run a presidential campaign and only have time to read one book, make sure you read Sam Popkin’s *The Reasoning Voter*. If you have time to read two books, read *The Reasoning Voter* twice.” Dr. Popkin did research on pacification and local warfare in Vietnam in graduate school and is the author of *The Rational Peasant: The Political Economy of Rural Society in Vietnam*. In 1972, while teaching at Harvard, he became the first American professor jailed for refusing to answer questions about the sources for his research during the government’s investigation of the Pentagon Papers.

Barry Posen

Barry R. Posen is Ford International Professor of Political Science at MIT, Director of the MIT Security Studies Program (<http://web.mit.edu/ssp/>), and serves on the Executive Committee of Seminar XXI (<http://semxxi.mit.edu/>). He has written three books, *Restraint-A New Foundation for U.S. Grand Strategy*, *Inadvertent Escalation: Conventional War and Nuclear Risks* and *The Sources of Military Doctrine*. The latter won two awards: The American Political Science Association’s Woodrow Wilson Foundation Book Award, and Ohio State University’s Edward J. Furniss Jr. Book Award. He is also the author of numerous articles, including “The Case for Restraint,” *The American Interest*, (November/December 2007) and “Command of the Commons: The Military Foundation of U.S. Hegemony,” *International Security*, (Summer, 2003.) He has been a Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellow; Rockefeller Foundation International Affairs Fellow; Guest Scholar at the Center for Strategic and International Studies; Woodrow Wilson Center Fellow; Smithsonian Institution; Transatlantic Fellow of the German Marshall Fund of the United States, and most recently Visiting Fellow at the John Sloan Dickey Center at Dartmouth College.

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Richard Samuels

Richard Samuels is Ford International Professor of Political Science and director of the Center for International Studies. He has been head of the MIT Political Science Department, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Japan of the National Research Council, and chair of the Japan-US Friendship Commission. He has also been elected to the American Academy of Arts & Sciences and was awarded an imperial decoration, the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star by the Emperor of Japan and the Japanese Prime Minister. His study of the political and policy consequences of the 2011 Tohoku catastrophe, *3:11: Disaster and Change in Japan*, was published by Cornell University Press in 2013. Samuels’ *Securing Japan: Tokyo’s Grand Strategy and the Future of East Asia*, was a finalist for the Lionel Gelber Prize for the best book in international affairs. *Machiavelli’s Children* won the Marraro Prize from the Society for Italian Historical Studies and the Jervis-Schroeder Prize from the International History and Politics section of American Political Science Association. Earlier books were awarded prizes from the Association for Asian Studies, the Association of American University Press, and the Ohira Memorial Prize. His articles have appeared in *Foreign Affairs*, *International Security*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *International Organization*, *Journal of Modern Italian Studies*, *National Interest*, *Journal of Japanese Studies*, and *Daedalus*. In 2014 he was appointed Einstein Visiting Fellow at the Free University of Berlin, where he directs a research group on East Asian Security during the summer.

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can politics. His books include *Politics within the State: Elite Bureaucrats and Industrial Policy in Authoritarian Brazil* (1991), *Business and the State in Developing Countries* (1997), *Reinventing Leviathan: The Politics of Administrative Reform in Developing Countries* (2003), *Business Politics and the State in 20th Century Latin America* (Cambridge University Press, 2004), and *Hierarchical Capitalism in Latin America: Business, Labor, and the Challenges of Equitable Development* (Cambridge University Press, 2013). He also has published on topics such as economic reform, democratization, technocracy, education policy, the developmental state, business groups, industrial policy, and comparative bureaucracy.

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Susan Shirk is the Chair of the 21st Century China Program and Ho Miu Lam Professor of China and Pacific Relations at the School of Global Policy and Strategy (GPS, formerly known as the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies) at UC San Diego. She is also director emeritus of the University of California's Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC). Susan Shirk first visited China in 1971 and has been teaching, researching and engaging China diplomatically ever since. From 1997-2000, Shirk served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State in the Bureau of East Asia and Pacific Affairs, with responsibility for China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Mongolia. She served as the director of IGCC during 1991-1997 and then again during 2006-2011, and as the IGCC research director during 2000-2006. In 1993, she founded, and continues to lead, the Northeast Asia Cooperation Dialogue (NEACD), a Track II forum for discussions of security issues among defense and foreign ministry officials and academics from the U.S., Japan, China, Russia, South Korea and North Korea. Shirk's publications include her books, *China: Fragile Superpower*; *How China Opened Its Door: The Political Success of the PRC's Foreign Trade and Investment Reforms*; *The Political Logic of Economic Reform in China*; *Com-*

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petitive Comrades: Career Incentives and Student Strategies in China; and her edited book, *Changing Media, Changing China*. Shirk served as a member of the U.S. Defense Policy Board, the Board of Governors for the East-West Center (Hawaii), the Board of Trustees of the U.S.-Japan Foundation, and the Board of Directors of the National Committee on United States-China Relations. As Senior Adviser to The Albright Group, Shirk advised private sector clients on China and East Asia. She is a member of the Trilateral Commission, the Council on Foreign Relations, and an emeritus member of the Aspen Strategy Group. Dr. Shirk received her BA in Political Science from Mount Holyoke College, her MA in Asian Studies from the University of California, Berkeley, and her PhD in Political Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Charles Stewart

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Elections Performance Index. Professor Stewart also provided advice to the Presidential Commission on Election Administration. His research on measuring the performance of elections and polling place operations, is funded by Pew, the Democracy Fund, and the Hewlett Foundation. He recently published *The Measure of American Elections* (2014, with Barry C. Burden). Professor Stewart has been recognized at MIT for his undergraduate teaching, being named to the second class of MacVicar Fellows in 1994, awarded the Baker Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, and the recipient of the Class of 1960 Fellowship. Professor Stewart received his B.A. in political science from Emory University, and S.M. and Ph.D. from Stanford University.

Kathleen Thelen

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ing and Genocide in the 20th Century, received the Edgar S. Furniss Book Award for making an exceptional contribution to the study of national and international security. His work has appeared in outlets such as *The New York Times*, *Foreign Affairs*, *The American Political Science Review*, *Security Studies*, *International Organization*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *World Politics* and *The Journal of Politics*. He is one of the creators of The Early Warning Project (a collaboration with the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.), a system designed to produce global forecasts of large-scale violence against civilians. Professor Valentino is currently working on several research projects focusing on public opinion on the use of force.

Stephen Van Evera

Stephen Van Evera is a Ford International Professor in the MIT Political Science Department. Prof. Van Evera works in several areas of international relations: the causes and prevention of war, U.S. foreign policy, U.S. security policy, U.S. intervention in the Third World, international relations of the Middle East, and international relations theory. He has published books on the causes of war and on social science methodology, and articles on American foreign policy, American defense policy, nationalism and the causes of war, the origins of World War I, and U.S. strategy in the War on Terror. He currently serves as chair of the Tobin Project committee on national security.

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Chris Warshaw is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science at MIT. He completed his PhD in Political Science at Stanford University. He also received a JD from Stanford Law School and a BA from Williams College. Warshaw's current research focuses on political representation in Congress, state legislatures, and municipal

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governments. He has also written on a wide range of other topics, such as survey research methodology, judicial politics, energy policy, and the institutional underpinnings of democratization. His work has appeared in the *American Political Science Review*, the *Journal of Politics*, *Political Analysis*, and three books from Cambridge University Press.

Steven I. Wilkinson

Steven I. Wilkinson is Nilekani Professor of India and South Asian Studies and Professor of Political Science and International Affairs at Yale University, where he also chairs the Political Science department. He has worked on the causes of ethnic violence, and his book, *Votes and Violence: electoral competition and ethnic riots in India* (Cambridge, 2004), examines the political roots of communal conflict in South Asia. He is also interested in corruption in politics, and co-edited the book *Patrons, Clients or Politics: Patterns of Political Accountability and Competition* (Cambridge, 2007) with Herbert Kitschelt. More recently he has worked on war and political change, and on civil military relations. He is working with co-author Saumitra Jha (Stanford GSB) on a book on *War and Political Change*, the first part of which, on the role of veterans in the partition of India, came out last year as a journal article. The next part of this project looks at the role of veterans in the French Revolution, and the His most recent book is *Army and Nation*, which came out in January 2015 from Harvard University Press (Permanent Black in South Asia), and examines India's success in managing the imbalanced colonial army it inherited in 1947.



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