

# ***Understanding Democratic Transitions and Consolidation from Case Studies: Lessons for Democracy Assistance***

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**March 5-6, 2007**

**Stanford University  
Oksenberg Conference Room,  
Encina Hall, Third Floor**

## **Conference Program**



### **Monday, March 5, 2007**

- 9:00 AM      **Welcome Remarks**
- 9:05 AM      **Opening Address and Overview**  
*Michael McFaul, Director, CDDRL, Stanford University*  
*Jack Goldstone, George Mason University and Chair, NAS-CEUDAP Committee*
- 9:35 AM      **Panel I: What Have We Learned About Democratic Transitions: Pacts or Protests?**  
*Moderator: Jack Goldstone, George Mason University*
- Nancy Bermeo, Princeton University**  
**Adrian Karatnycky, Freedom House, Inc.**  
**Terry Karl, Stanford University**  
**Michael McFaul, Stanford University**
- 10:20-10:40   **BREAK**
- 10:40-11:00   **Panel Discussion Session**
- 11:00-12:00   **Open Discussion Session**
- 12:00 PM      **LUNCH**  
**Location: Oksenberg Conference Room Lobby**

1:00 PM **Panel II: What Have We Learned About Democratic Transitions: Are Certain Socio-Economic or Political Conditions Required?**

*Moderator: Larry Garber, New Israel Fund*

**Sheri Berman**, Barnard College

**Michael Bratton**, Michigan State University

**Jason Brownlee**, The University of Texas at Austin

**Lucan Way**, University of Toronto

1:45-2:05 **Panel Discussion Sessions**

2:05-2:45 **Open Discussion Sessions**

2:45-3:00 **BREAK**

3:00 PM **Panel III: What Have We Learned About Democratic Transitions: What Comes First? What Role Will Foreign Assistance Play?**

*Moderator: Jeremy Weinstein, Stanford University*

**Tom Carothers**, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

**Gerry Hyman**, Center for Strategic and International Studies

**Cynthia McClintock**, George Washington University

**Risto Volanen**, State Secretary, Finish Prime Minister's Office

3:45-4:05 **Panel Discussion Session**

4:05-4:45 **Open Discussion Session**

## **Tuesday, March 6, 2007**

9:00 AM **Panel IV: What Have We Learned About Democratic Consolidation: Do Certain Rules and Procedures Work Better Than Others, and Can They Be Fit to Known Conditions?**

*Moderator: John Gerring, Boston University*

**Gerardo Munck**, University of Southern California

**Marc Plattner**, National Endowment for Democracy

**Andy Reynolds**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Andreas Schedler**, Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, Mexico City

9:45-10:05 **Panel Discussion Session**

- 10:05-10:45 **Open Discussion Session**
- 10:45 AM **BREAK**
- 11:00 AM **Panel V: What Have We Learned About Democratic Consolidation: Can We Combine Democracy Assistance and Other Forms of Aid to Promote Consolidation?**  
*Moderator: Mitch Seligson, Vanderbilt University*
- Larry Diamond**, Stanford University  
**Amichai Magen**, Stanford University  
**Philippe Schmitter**, European University Institute, Florence
- 11:45-12:05 **Panel Discussion Session**
- 12:05-12:45 **Open Discussion Session**
- 12:45 PM **LUNCH**  
**Location: Oksenberg Conference Room Lobby**
- 2:00 PM **Conference Roundtable I**  
**Democracy Promotion: Developing Guidelines for Foreign Assistance**  
*Moderator: Kathryn Stoner-Weiss, Stanford University*
- 3:00 PM **Conference Roundtable II**  
**Democracy Consolidation: Developing Guidelines for Foreign Assistance**  
*Moderator: Jack Goldstone, George Mason University*
- 4:00 PM **Concluding Remarks**  
*Michael McFaul, Stanford University*  
*Jack Goldstone, George Mason University*
- 4:30 PM **Meeting Adjourns**