Iran and the US: Breakthrough or False Hope?
A Lecture By Dr. Haleh Esfandiari

Iran’s new president, Hassan Rouhani, is reaching out with energy to the United States and the West. President Obama has welcomed this initiative. But serious problems in the relationship remain. Dr. Esfandiari will discuss prospects for a rapprochement between the two countries and the problems President Rouhani faces at home.

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