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Session 1: State of Democracy and Human Rights in the World
Global and International Studies Building Auditorium

Moderator: Christiana Ochoa
Panelists: Gardner Boelingk, Emma Gilligan, Elisa Massimino, Michelle Moyer

According to a recent survey from Freedom House, democracy is on the wane for the tenth consecutive year, an indication of broader global challenges to human rights. What is the state of human rights and democracy globally? How high a priority should these issues be for the next president and does the United States have the standing or the political will to change the tide?

Panelists:
- Dawn Johnsen
- Charlie Savage
- Gardner Boelingk
- Emma Gilligan
- Elisa Massimino
- Michelle Moyer

Session 2: Untangling the Middle East
Global and International Studies Building Auditorium

Moderator: Hussein Banai
Panelists: Feisal Istrabadi, Richard Fontaine, Tamara Wittes, Robin Wright

The consequence of the failure to prevent atrocities in Syria or to take action to stop them once they began has culminated in one of the biggest international crises currently confronting world leaders. The Syrian conflict has claimed nearly half a million lives, threatens the stability of the region and has created the greatest refugee crisis since the Second World War. Elsewhere in the Middle East, the promise of the Arab Spring has faded as protests have been met with militarization and a continuation of power by the authoritarian governments. What is the proper role for the United States in the Middle East and can or should the next President seek to play a larger role in the region?

Panelists:
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- Richard Fontaine
- Tamara Wittes
- Robin Wright

Session 4: Reflections from the Front Row: Keynote Remarks by Deputy National Security Advisor Ben Rhodes
Global and International Studies Building Auditorium

Convener: Lee Hamilton

It is safe to say that few people have worked more closely with President Obama on his foreign policy than Ben Rhodes, the Deputy National Security Advisor for Strategic Communications and Speechwriting. Rhodes will discuss how a president decides on and pursues foreign policy in a time of great instability and fierce domestic partisanship.

Panelists:
- Lee Feinstein
- Christopher Hill
- Stephen Hadley
- Jessica Tuchman Mathews

Session 5: The Next President’s Foreign Policy Inbox
Global and International Studies Building Auditorium

Moderator: Lee Feinstein
Panelists: Christopher Hill, Christopher Kojm, Stephen Hadley, Jessica Tuchman Mathews

In a recent article, Jessica Tuchman Mathews summed up the perennial questions about U.S. foreign policy: “How much should we try to do in rapidly changing circumstances? What are we actually able to do? How much should we spend abroad? Can’t a single principle be found to impose greater consistency on foreign policy?” Panelists will take on these questions in a broad discussion about the global trends that will shape the foreign policy landscape facing the next president.

Panelists:
- Lee Feinstein
- Christopher Kojm
- Stephen Hadley
- Jessica Tuchman Mathews

Session 8: Indiana in the World
Global and International Studies Building Auditorium

Moderator: Lauren Robel
Panelists: Daniel Coats, Lee Hamilton, Richard Lugar, James Morris

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- Lee Hamilton
- Richard Lugar
- James Morris

Chair and Moderator: Paul Helmlie

Introductory Remarks: Dawn Johnston
Speaker: Charlie Savage

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Moderator: Fred Cate
Panelists: Fred Cate, Gene Renuart, James Steinberg, Philip Zelikow

What is or should be the role of grand strategy in the making of foreign policy and what are the main national security challenges facing the next president? These questions will be addressed by a panel of experts who have been responsible for advising presidents and secretaries of state and defense on issues ranging from the rise of Asia, to global economic challenges, and humanitarian intervention. The panelists will also address the role of the academy in informing and shaping foreign policy decision making.

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