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POINT FOR DEMOCRACY**

**A Celebration of
Larry Diamond**

***Presentation of the
Democracy Service Medal
to
Larry Diamond***

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The Democracy Service Medal



The Board of Directors of the National Endowment for Democracy created its **Democracy Service Medal** in 1999 to recognize individuals who have demonstrated, through personal commitment, their dedication to the advancement of freedom, human rights, and democracy.

The cast bronze medallion, which reads “for service in the cause of democracy,” was first presented to the former Polish President and founder of the Solidarity trade union movement Lech Walesa, and former AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland. It was presented in April 1999 on the 10th anniversary of the roundtable agreement that led to the peaceful transition to democracy in Poland. Later that year on the 10th anniversary of Czechoslovakia’s “Velvet Revolution,” the medal was presented to two heroes of that revolution, Alexandr Vondra and Martin Butora. The two had risen from their days as dissidents to become Ambassadors to the U.S. of their respective countries, the Czech Republic and Slovakia, which they were at the time they received the Democracy Service Medal.

Past Recipients of the Democracy Service Medal

2022	Fred Hiatt	2006	Thomas R. Donahue
2019	John S. McCain	2005	John Whitehead John Richardson
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2013	Vytautas Landsbergis	2001	John Brademas Fred Iklé Richard Lugar Stephen Solarz
2012	Madeleine Albright George Shultz	2000	John B. Hurford
2011	Floribert Chebeya Laura Pollán Jean Bethke Elshaint	1999	Lech Walesa Lane Kirkland Martin Butora Alexandr Vondra
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2008	Max Kampleman Tom Lantos		
2007	Vaclav Havel Morton Abramowitz Emmanuel Kampouris		

About the Speakers

William J. Dobson is the co-editor of the *Journal of Democracy*. Prior to assuming this position, he was the Chief International Editor at NPR where he led the network's award-winning international coverage and oversaw a team of editors and correspondents in 17 overseas bureaus and Washington, DC. Dobson is the author of *The Dictator's Learning Curve: Inside the Global Battle for Democracy*, which examines the struggle between authoritarian regimes and the people who challenge them. It was selected as one of the "best books of 2012" by *Foreign Affairs*, the *Atlantic*, *The Telegraph*, and *Prospect*, and it has been translated into many languages, including Chinese, German, Japanese, and Portuguese.

Francis Fukuyama is Olivier Nomellini Senior Fellow at Stanford University's Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies (FSI), and a faculty member of FSI's Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law (CDDRL). He is also Director of Stanford's Ford Dorsey Master's in International Policy, and a professor (by courtesy) of Political Science. Dr. Fukuyama has written widely on issues in development and international politics. His 1992 book, *The End of History and the Last Man*, has appeared in over twenty foreign editions. His most recent books are *Identity: The Demand for Dignity and the Politics of Resentment* and *Liberalism and Its Discontents*.

Carl Gershman is the founding president of the National Endowment for Democracy, serving from 1984 until his retirement in June of 2021. Under his leadership, the Endowment grew from a small grant making start-up to the thriving institution it is today – America's flagship democracy foundation, making nearly 2000 grants each year in 100 countries, and serving as a leading center for democratic thought and action.

Emmanuel Gyimah-Boadi is co-founder and board chair of the Afrobarometer. He is also co-founder and former executive director of the Ghana Center for Democratic Development, a leading independent democracy and good governance think tank in Accra, Ghana. A former professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Ghana, he has held faculty positions at universities in the United States, including the American University School of International Service, and fellowships at the Center for Democracy, Rule of Law and Development (Stanford University); the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars; and the International Forum for Democratic Studies/National Endowment for Democracy/US Institute of Peace.

Tarek Masoud is the Ford Foundation Professor of Democracy and Governance at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He is the co-editor of the *Journal of Democracy* of the National Endowment for Democracy, and serves as the Faculty Director of the Kennedy School's Middle East Initiative and the Initiative on Democracy in Hard Places. His research focuses on political development in Arabic-speaking and Muslim-majority countries. He is the author of *Counting Islam: Religion, Class, and Elections in Egypt* (Cambridge University Press, 2014), of *The Arab Spring: Pathways of Repression and Reform* with Jason Brownlee and Andrew Reynolds (Oxford University Press, 2015), as well as of several articles and book chapters.

Alina Mungiu-Pippidi is professor of democracy studies at the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin, Germany. Dr. Mungiu-Pippidi also chairs the European Research Centre for Anti-Corruption and State-Building, where she managed the FP7 research project ANTICORRP and the Horizon 2020 project DIGIWHIST. She has received the Harvard University Shorenstein Fellowship, an Open

Society Institute Fellowship, a Fulbright Fellowship, and the Jean Monnet Fellowship of the European University Institute. She is President of the Romanian Academic Society and founder of the social media watchdog platform Clean Romania.

Marc F. Plattner is the founding coeditor of the *Journal of Democracy*. Until 2016, he also served as NED's vice president for research and studies and from 1984 to 1989, he was NED's director of programs. He is the author of *Democracy Without Borders? Global Challenges to Liberal Democracy* (2008), and his articles on a wide range of international and public policy issues have appeared in numerous books and journals. Over the past two decades, he has coedited with Larry Diamond more than two dozen books on contemporary issues relating to democracy in the *Journal of Democracy* book series. In 2020, he became a member of NED's board of directors.

Condoleezza Rice is currently the Denning Professor in Global Business and the Economy at the Stanford Graduate School of Business; the Thomas and Barbara Stephenson Senior Fellow on Public Policy at the Hoover Institution; and a professor of Political Science at Stanford University. From January 2005-2009, Dr. Rice served as the 66th Secretary of State of the United States, the second woman and first African American woman to hold the post. She also served as President George W. Bush's Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs (National Security Advisor) from January 2001-2005, the first woman to hold the position.

Christopher Walker is vice president for studies and analysis at the National Endowment for Democracy (NED). In this capacity, he oversees the department that is responsible for NED's multifaceted analytical work, which includes the International Forum for

Democratic Studies, a leading center for the analysis and discussion of democratic development. He has been at the forefront of the discussion on authoritarian influence on open systems, including through the challenges posed by "sharp power." His articles have appeared in numerous publications, including the *Financial Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, and *Foreign Affairs*. He is co-editor (with Larry Diamond and Marc Plattner) of the edited volume *Authoritarianism Goes Global: The Challenge to Democracy* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2016), and co-editor (with Jessica Ludwig) of the report *Sharp Power: Rising Authoritarian Influence* (NED's International Forum for Democratic Studies, 2017).

Damon Wilson is the president and chief executive officer of the National Endowment for Democracy. Prior to joining NED, Mr. Wilson was the executive vice president of the Atlantic Council, worked at the National Security Council (NSC) as the director for Central, Eastern, and Northern European Affairs from 2004 to 2006, special assistant to the president and senior director for European affairs at the NSC from 2007 to 2009, and as the executive secretary and chief of staff at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad.

Kenneth Wollack is chairman of the National Endowment for Democracy. He is a member of the advisory committee for the U.S. Agency for International Development, and the George W. Bush Institute's Advisory Council on Human Freedom. Mr. Wollack has been actively involved in foreign affairs, journalism and politics over the past five decades. For more than 25 years, he served as president of the National Democratic Institute (NDI), a nongovernmental organization dedicated to advancing democracy worldwide. He retired in September 2018.

About Larry Diamond



Larry Diamond is a founding coeditor of the *Journal of Democracy*, and he served at its helm (with Marc F. Plattner) for over thirty years. He is also a senior fellow at the Hoover Institution and the Mosbacher Senior Fellow in Global Democracy at the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University. A world-renowned scholar and a beloved mentor and activist, his research focuses on democratic trends and conditions around the world on policies and reforms to defend and advance democracy. His latest book, *Ill Winds: Saving Democracy from Russian Rage, Chinese Ambition, and American Complacency*, analyzes the challenges confronting liberal democracy around the world. He is the editor of over fifty books, including (with Marc F. Plattner) of over two dozen books in the *Journal of Democracy* book series.

