

The Future of Democracy: Lessons Learned from the 2024 U.S. Election

February 6, 2025 // 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ET

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This event celebrates Global Election Day and marks the fifth anniversary of the London School of Economics's Electoral Psychology Observatory. Through expert panels and meaningful conversations, it will focus on the role of election administration in supporting democracy. Roundtable discussions will identify the essential steps required for public administration to strengthen, promote, and protect democracy in every election.

- 8:30 a.m. Welcome
- **Michael Bruter**, Director, Electoral Psychology Observatory, London School of Economics
 - **Liz Howard**, Director of Partner Engagement, Elections and Government Program, Brennan Center
 - **Thomas Hicks***, Commissioner, U.S. Election Assistance Commission
 - **James-Christian Blockwood***, CEO, President, National Academy of Public Administration
- 8:45 a.m. Keynote
- **Chris Harvey**, Executive Director, Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council
- 9:00 a.m. Intergenerational Nature of Elections
- Findings from Election Night and the LA County First-Time Voters Surveys
 - Discussion:
 - *Moderator:* Lilia Dashevsky, Senior Vice President of Public Affairs, CLYDE
 - **Michael Bruter**
 - **Sarah Harrison**, Deputy Director, Electoral Psychology Observatory, London School of Economics
 - **Rachel Orey**, Director, Elections Project, Bipartisan Policy Center
- 10:00 a.m. Election Security Panel
- *Moderator:* Jiyeon Park, Program Associate, Elections and Government Program, Brennan Center
 - **Cait Conley**, Senior Advisor (former), U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency
 - **Matt Germer**, Policy Director, Governance Program, R Street Institute
 - **Gowri Ramachandran**, Director of Elections and Security, Elections and Government Program, Brennan Center
- 11:00 a.m. Critical Issues Facing the Election Administration Workforce
- *Moderator:* Doug Chapin, Senior Elections Fellow, Program Evaluation and Policy Analysis, Fors Marsh
 - **Tina Barton**, Senior Election Expert, The Elections Group
 - **Tammy Patrick**, Chief Executive Officer for Programs, Election Center
 - **Keely Varvel**, Assistant Secretary of State, Arizona
- 12:00 p.m. Closing Roundtable
- **Thomas Hicks**
 - **Gowri Ramachandran**
 - **Tina Barton**
 - **Michael Bruter**
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch/snack (*served in the lobby*)

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