

Varieties of State-Society Links in the Developing World



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2010–11 Speaker Series

With the decline of the Washington Consensus on development, the issue of appropriate alternatives for the developing world is again at the forefront. Furthermore, the current advances and setbacks of democracy raise academic and policy concerns about political institutions, representation, and the rule of law in the developing world. The Project on Democracy and Development takes a multipronged approach to promote research and teaching on development issues at Princeton. Past themes include democracy and inequality in the developing world; urban governance in the developing world; middle classes in the process of development; violence in new democracies; and democracy, diversity, and development.

The lectures are held on Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m., Burr Hall, Room 216

September 29
Antoinette Handley
University of Toronto

October 20
John Waterbury
Princeton University
(emeritus)
American University
in Beirut (formerly)

November 17
Grzegorz Ekiert
Harvard University

December 1
Amaney Jamal
Princeton University

February 9
Frances Hagopian
University of
Notre Dame

March 2
Elizabeth Perry
Harvard University

March 30
**Jose Antonio
Cheibub**
University of
Illinois–
Urbana/Champaign

April 13
Benjamin Smith
University of Florida

2010–11 Visiting Fellows

Jin Sato

Sato is an associate professor at the Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia at the University of Tokyo and a Fulbright Scholar for the academic year 2010–11. He has worked on issues related to politics of natural resources and foreign aid with the main focus on Southeast Asia in general, and Thailand in particular. His current research interests center around the question of how state control of natural resources may evolve into the control of people. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Tokyo.

Murat Somer

Somer is visiting from Istanbul's Koç University, where he is an associate professor of international relations. His research on ethnic conflict and nationalism, public and private polarization, religious politics and secularism, democratization, political Islam, and the Kurdish question has been widely published. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Southern California.