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## Guest Lecture **The Rise and Fall of Political Orders**

**Richard Ned Lebow**  
(King's College London)

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**Abstract:** In this final volume of his trilogy that began with *The Tragic Vision of Politics*, Richard Ned Lebow offers a theory of political order. Drawing on political theory, comparative politics, international relations, psychology and classics, he offers insights into why social and political orders form, how they evolve, and why and how they decline. He identifies long- and short-term threats to political order that have to do respectively with shifts in the relative appeal of principles of justice and lack of self-restraint by elites. He and Martin Dimitrov use the theory to explore the consequences of late-modernity for democracy in the United States and authoritarianism in China. *The Rise and Fall of Political Orders* forges new links between political theory and political science through the explicit connection it makes between normative goals and empirical research.

Organizer:

Dr. Philip Liste, Chair of Political Science, especially Global Governance