

### **Perception, Foreign Policy, and US Election Politics: Are We Sleepwalking Into World War III?**

Have you ever wondered whether the sense of impending global crisis genuinely reflects the geopolitical landscape or is shaped by personalized media feeds, driven by AI algorithms? The panel will explore whether we are truly living in a more perilous time with nations on the brink of war compared to a decade ago, or whether this heightened awareness is simply the result of selective media exposure. We will also look at how current US policies and political dynamics are impacting the likelihood of WWII.

Join us to reflect on how the three P's – perception, policy, and politics – intersect, and whether current foreign policy decisions are more about winning elections or solving problems in ways that serve the national interest.



**Thursday, March 21st  
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Guest Speaker Dr. Lucio Martino is a former Italian defense consultant and a news contributor for the Italian Mediaset networks.



Welcoming Remarks and Introductory Note by Dean Stuart Silde, School of Social and Behavioral Sciences.



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