Governance Indicators: How We Measure Corruption and the Rule of Law and Why It Matters

Annual Lecture Series featuring

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The World Bank is one of many organizations that has created indicators and measurements of democracy, rule of law, and corruption. These indicators are carefully analyzed and followed by investors to determine whether and where to dedicate resources for development and industry. Because of their importance for foreign direct investment, measures of corruption and rule of law are carefully monitored by developing nations and shape policy outcomes in many nations. In this talk, Dr. Lindquist will explain how these key concepts are measured and by whom, and most importantly, why these measures matter for the future of political development around the world.

Stefanie A. Lindquist became Deputy Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Foundation Professor of Law and Political Science at Arizona State University on September 1, 2016. She served as Dean and Arch.Professor at University of Georgia, Athens School of Public and International Affairs from 2013 to 2016, after serving as Interim Dean, Associate Dean for Outreach, and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the University of Texas School of Law. She is recognized as an expert on the U.S. Supreme Court, Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, and Empirical legal studies, and has co-authored two books and dozens of published articles and book chapters. Her book, Measuring Judicial Activism, is the first publication to define the oft-used term quantitatively. She was recognized for her exceptional teaching skills at both Vanderbilt University, where she was awarded the Robert Birkby Award for Excellence in Teaching Political Science, and she served as director of Vanderbilt’s graduate program in Political Science at the University of Georgia, where she was named Professor of the Year and earned its University-Wide Teaching Award. Dr. Lindquist holds the JD degree from Temple University (magna cum laude) and the Ph.D in Political Science and Public Administration from the University of South Carolina. Dr. Lindquist served as its Editor in Chief of the Temple Law Review and clerked for the Honorable Anthony J. Scirica at the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in Philadelphia. She later practiced law at Latham and Watkins in Washington, D.C. She also served as a research associate at the Federal Judicial Center in Washington D.C., assisting committees of the Federal Judicial Conference in addressing questions of judicial administration.

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