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The Condition of American Democracy and Its Impact on U.S. Foreign Policy

What impact will the recent severe partisan political divide in the United States have on American democracy? What will be the impact of the polarization of American politics on the foreign policy of the United States as a superpower? With the midterm elections approaching, there is now an even greater need to understand the current state of American politics, which is becoming increasingly polarized, and to consider its implications for the Indo-Pacific region.

In this webinar, Ambassador Ira Shapiro, former General Counsel and chief trade negotiator with Japan and Canada in the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), will be the featured speaker, and Kenichiro Sasae, President of the Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA), and Glen S. Fukushima, Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress, will join the discussion from their Japanese and American perspectives. Professor Satoshi Machidori of Kyoto University, who specializes in analyzing American political parties and the relationship between the executive and legislative branches from the theoretical framework of comparative politics, will moderate the entire discussion.

We hope to welcome many of you to the webinar.

1. **Date & Time:** Thursday, September 22, 2022, 9:30-10:30 am (JST)
2. **Registration:** Online (Zoom)

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3. **Program:**
 - Moderator
 - Satoshi MACHIDORI, Professor, Kyoto University
 - Speaker
 - Ira SHAPIRO, President, Ira Shapiro Global Strategies LLC
 - Discussants
 - Kenichiro SASAE, President, The Institute of International Affairs
 - Glen S. FUKUSHIMA, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress
4. **Language:** English

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