
The Embassy of Canada to the Czech Republic and the Institute of International Relations would like to invite you to a public lecture, followed by a moderated discussion, by

Jeremy Kinsman

Former Canadian Ambassador to Italy, the United Kingdom, Russia and the European Union and, since 2007, director of the project the *Handbook for Democracy Development Support*, whose third edition, *A Diplomat's Handbook for Democracy Development Support*, with a Preface by Václav Havel, has just been published,

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"Is Democracy Still Rising?"

As Russia narrows democratic space, China decries "the idea there are universal values such as human rights," Egypt's fledgling democracy goes down, and as Syria's agony prolongs, the global landscape for democracy development has darkened. Are we in what Freedom House calls a "democratic recession"?

Chair: **Ondřej Horký-Hlucháň**, Institute of International Relations

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Institute of International Relations, Nerudova 3, Prague 1
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by **Sunday, 6th October** at the latest.



From 1992-2006, **Jeremy Kinsman** was Canadian Ambassador or High Commissioner in Moscow, Rome, London and Brussels (EU). Following postings to Algeria, and as Deputy Permanent Representative to the UN, New York, he was Minister for Political Affairs at the Canadian Embassy, Washington 1981-85. Appointed Assistant Deputy Minister for Cultural Affairs and Broadcasting of the Department of Communications in 1985, he then served as Political Director of the Foreign Ministry in Ottawa from 1989 to 1992.

Since 2007 he has directed the *Handbook for Democracy Development Support* international project now in its 3rd Edition (www.diplomatshandbook.org). He is lead foreign affairs writer for *Policy Options* magazine, and a commentator for CTV as well as CBC where he was a Columnist 2006-2012.

Diplomat-in-Residence at Princeton University 2007-08, he was named Regent's Lecturer in 2008 at the University of California, Berkeley where he is now Resident International Scholar. Concurrently Distinguished Visiting Diplomat at Ryerson University, Toronto, Kinsman is also on the Advisory Board of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, the Board of Dundee Precious Metals Limited, and the Council for a Community of Democracies, Washington, DC.