We are pleased to share our preliminary itinerary for this exclusive Symposium journey. Detailed information about the excursion options will be mailed to you in early June.

Included meals are denoted as follows: Breakfast (B), Lunch (L), Reception (R), Dinner (D)

**Saturday & Sunday, September 5 & 6**

**DEPART THE U.S. → BUDAPEST, HUNGARY**

Depart the U.S. on your transatlantic flight to Budapest. Upon arrival on September 6, transfer to the elegant Four Seasons Gresham Palace. Gather with fellow travelers this evening for a welcome orientation, reception and dinner at the hotel.

**FOUR SEASONS GRESHAM PALACE (R,D)**

**Monday, September 7**

**BUDAPEST**

A morning lecture program at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences is followed by your choice of afternoon excursion in Budapest, each beginning with lunch at a local restaurant:

- Exclusive visits to the icons of Budapest, including the magnificent neo-gothic Hungarian Parliament Building and the Great Market Hall, the city’s oldest and largest indoor market
- Specially curated Jewish heritage tour including the second-largest synagogue in the world
- Culinary tasting tour to sample the best Hungarian foods and wine, with a local chef as guide
- Private tour showcasing Budapest’s history, from Socialism to “the future Silicon Valley of Europe”

This evening, enjoy a special dinner and musical performance at the Museum of Fine Arts, a landmark venue in the city.

**FOUR SEASONS GRESHAM PALACE (B,L,D)**
Tuesday, September 8
BUDAPEST

Gather with fellow travelers for a fascinating day including a keynote address from David Cameron, additional talks from featured speakers, and roundtable discussions that will illuminate the significance of the historic and powerful alliance between Europe and the United States. This afternoon, embark the luxurious, exclusively-chartered Crystal Mahler. Settle into your cabin and enjoy our first dinner on board as the Crystal Mahler departs Budapest.

CRYSTAL MAHLER (B,L,D)

Wednesday, September 9
BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

The educational program continues during a full morning of cruising along the scenic Danube, with lunch on board. Arrive this afternoon in Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, and depart on your choice of excursion:

• Architectural walking tour of Bratislava’s Old Town, with several special interior visits, plus a beer tasting at a classic venue
• Culinary walking tour of Bratislava’s Old Town, stopping to taste local specialties

All excursion groups reunite for a private concert. Return to the Crystal Mahler for dinner as we cruise overnight for Austria’s Wachau Valley.

CRYSTAL MAHLER (B,L,D)

Thursday, September 10
WACHAU VALLEY, AUSTRIA

Cruise this morning through the picturesque Wachau Valley, a 25-mile valley defined by the Danube River. It is thought the valley was home to prehistoric people, and today you’ll find remarkable vineyards, villages, churches, and vintage castles. Enjoy the continuation of the lecture program during cruising this morning, with an early lunch on board. In the afternoon, a choice of excursions is offered:

• Personalized tour of Artstetten Castle, once a summer residence for the Hapsburgs, including Archduke Franz Ferdinand, whose death in 1914 sparked World War I. Led by a member of the Hohenberg family, tour the magnificent structure and historic museum.
• Exploration of the magnificent baroque, UNESCO-listed Melk Abbey overlooking the Danube, and Melk’s picturesque Old Town with its many original historic buildings
• Active options by eBike and guided hike through the scenic Wachau Valley

Return to the Crystal Mahler for dinner on board.

CRYSTAL MAHLER (B,L,D)
Friday, September 11
LINZ

Following a morning lecture, set out from Linz on your choice of excursion:

- Morning Linzer torte baking workshop and city walk with a local expert, followed by lunch on board (can be combined with the afternoon option below, or guests are welcome to enjoy free time in Linz in the afternoon)
- Afternoon visit to the site of the massive Mauthausen Concentration Camp
- Full-day excursion to the UNESCO-listed medieval Czech town of Český Krumlov, considered one of Europe’s most picturesque towns with its charming walkable streets and enchanting architecture; lunch is included off the ship at a local restaurant

Dinner is served aboard as the Crystal Mahler cruises for Vienna.

CRYSTAL MAHLER (B,L,D)

Saturday, September 12
VIENNA

The morning lecture series continues on board, followed by your choice of excursion options; guests are welcome to choose two of the following options for Saturday, and one additional option for Sunday morning:

- Exploration of Vienna’s Jugendstil/Art Nouveau heritage and the baroque Belvedere Palace
- Behind-the-scenes look into "Sustainable Vienna," including the Spittelau Power Plant designed by eco-architect Friedensreich Hundertwasser
- Exclusive wine tasting in medieval cellars housing some of the world’s rarest vintages
- Visit to the opulent Imperial Schonbrunn Palace & Royal Carriage Museum
- An eBike adventure among lakes and waterways of idyllic “Old Danube Island”
- Jewish heritage tour of Vienna, retracing eight centuries of fascinating history

Lunch is included at local restaurants in Vienna with each afternoon excursion option today. Following dinner on board, depart for a private concert by a string quartet from the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra in the impressive Liechtenstein Palace. The ship remains docked in Vienna overnight.

CRYSTAL MAHLER (B,L,D)

Sunday, September 13
VIENNA → BERLIN, GERMANY

Disembark the Crystal Mahler for a morning excursion in Vienna, choosing one excursion from the list shown above for September 12.

Following lunch at a local restaurant, transfer to Vienna International Airport for a privately-chartered flight to Berlin. Upon arrival, transfer to the stately Hotel Adlon Kempinski and check in to rooms. Gather with fellow travelers for a private dinner at the hotel this evening.

HOTEL ADLON KEMPINSKI (B,L,D)
Monday, September 14
BERLIN

After breakfast and a morning lecture program, depart on your choice of afternoon excursion, each beginning with lunch at a local restaurant. Guests are welcome to choose one of the following options for Monday, and one additional option for Tuesday afternoon:

- Private gallery visits focusing on Berlin’s trendsetting and thought-provoking contemporary art scene
- Expert-led architectural tour, including the Jewish Museum, which presents the social, political and cultural history of German Jews
- An insider’s look at Cold War Berlin—with the chance to drive a vintage two-stroke East German Trabant (a sedan manufactured only in East Germany between 1957 and 1990)
- Specially arranged guided tour in the iconic Reichstag (seat of the German parliament) with a visit to the glass dome
- A meeting with top chefs to taste local specialties and neue deutsche küche, or new German cuisine
- River cruise through the UNESCO World Heritage region between Potsdam and Berlin, with views of the magnificent Sanssouci and Cecilienhof palaces

The evening is free to dine independently at one of Berlin’s outstanding restaurants.

HOTEL ADLON KEMPINSKI (B,L)

Tuesday, September 15
BERLIN

The final morning lecture program is held at the hotel. Continue your exploration of Berlin this afternoon, choosing one excursion from the list shown above for September 14. Lunch is included at a local restaurant.

This evening, gather for a festive farewell reception & dinner at the Michelin-starred GOLVET Restaurant.

HOTEL ADLON KEMPINSKI (B,L,R,D)

Wednesday, September 16
BERLIN → U.S.

Following breakfast at the hotel, transfer to Berlin’s Tegel Airport for your return flight to the U.S. (B)
We are excited to announce that Doris Kearns Goodwin is joining Sylvia Poggioli and Sabine Christiansen on the Global Symposium. Keynote Speaker David Cameron has also reconfirmed his keynote address on September 8 in Budapest.

In addition, Harvard’s Peter Galbraith and Annette Gordon-Reed will be joined by the following lecturers from the Symposium’s co-sponsoring organizations: Tim Blanning, Jan-Werner Muller, Elizabeth Sherwood-Randall, Craig Snyder and Jeremy Weinstein.

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce all the lecturers who will participate in the Global Symposium:

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

**DAVID CAMERON** served as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from 2010 to 2016, leading Britain’s first Coalition Government in nearly 70 years and forming the first majority Conservative Government in the UK for over two decades. Cameron came to power at a moment of economic crisis and with an unprecedented fiscal challenge. Under his leadership, the UK’s economy was transformed. The deficit was reduced by over two-thirds; one million businesses were set up; and a record number of jobs were created. That created the stability Cameron needed to cut taxes, introduce a National Living Wage, transform education, reform welfare, protect the National Health Service, and increase pensions. Cameron promoted social justice, advanced the green agenda, decreased carbon emissions, and set protecting the NHS as a top priority. Internationally, Cameron developed a foreign policy in the post-Iraq era that addressed the new challenges of the Arab Spring, as well as a more aggressive Russia, while ensuring that Britain played a full role in the global fight against ISIS. He championed sustainable development and ensured that the UK played a leading role in the successful Paris Agreement on climate change. Cameron argued that Britain was stronger, safer and better off inside the European Union, but after the British people voted to leave the EU in 2016, Cameron resigned as Prime Minister and later stood down from Parliament. Since leaving 10 Downing Street, he has continued focusing on issues he advanced while in office: supporting life chances for young people and building a bigger, stronger society;
championing Britain’s cutting edge medical research; and promoting international development. He chairs the LSE-Oxford Commission on State Fragility, Growth and Development; sits on the Global Board of Advisors at the Council on Foreign Relations; and advises international businesses—all concentrating on innovative technology-driven sectors: Fin-Tech, Medi-Tech and AI.

*Keynote Speaker David Cameron will only accompany our group for the keynote event in Budapest on September 8.*

**FEATURED SPEAKERS**

**SYLVIA POGGIOLI** is the award-winning senior European correspondent for the International Desk of National Public Radio. She covers political, economic, and cultural news in Italy, the Vatican, Western Europe, and the Balkans. Poggioli’s in-depth, on-air reporting and analysis have encompassed major European issues and events from the past three decades, including the fall of communism in Eastern Europe, race and politics in Europe, and how immigration has transformed European societies. Throughout her career, Poggioli has been recognized for her work with honors including election as a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences “for her distinctive, cultivated and authoritative reports on ‘ethnic cleansing’ in Bosnia.”

**DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN** is a world-renowned presidential historian, public speaker, and Pulitzer Prize-winning, New York Times #1 best-selling author. Her seventh book, *Leadership in Turbulent Times*, was published in September 2018 to critical acclaim and became an instant New York Times bestseller. A culmination of Goodwin’s five-decade career of studying the American presidents, the book provides a road map for aspiring and established leaders in every field, and for all of us in our everyday lives. Goodwin was awarded the Pulitzer Prize and is well known for her appearances and commentary on television—in programming ranging from a Ken Burns documentary and *Meet The Press* to *The Late Show with Stephen Colbert* and *The Simpsons.*
SABINE CHRISTIANSEN, a pioneer and role model for the rise of women in TV reporting, is one of Germany’s most popular journalists. After 10 years as the anchor of Germany’s main news program, “Tagesthemen,” Christiansen headed the most important and most watched political debate program in German television—named after her. Nearly all important heads of state and government, as well as international economic leaders, were guests of “Christiansen.” She began her career as a business and economic editor, became a journalist, and produced numerous award-winning documentaries. Christiansen has received many important media awards (some repeatedly) and, for her social commitment, was named Knight of the Legion of Honour (French Republic) and received the Federal Cross of Merit.

PETER GALBRAITH served as the first US Ambassador to Croatia and has held senior positions in the US Government and the United Nations. Galbraith was actively involved in the Croatia and Bosnia peace processes. During the Bosnian war years, he was responsible for U.S. humanitarian programs in the former Yugoslavia and for U.S. relations with the UNPROFOR mission headquartered in Zagreb. He was co-mediator and principal architect of the 1995 Erdut Agreement that ended the war in Croatia by providing for peaceful reintegration of Serb-held Eastern Slavonia into Croatia. Currently, Galbraith is the Senior Diplomatic Fellow at the Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation where his work focuses on Iraq, the greater Middle East, and conflict resolution and post-conflict reconstruction, specifically in the Balkans, Indonesia, Iraq, India/Pakistan, and Southeast Asia.

ANNETTE GORDON-REED is the Charles Warren Professor of American Legal History at Harvard Law School and a Professor of History in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Harvard University. A renowned law professor, scholar of American history, and Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Gordon-Reed has published six books. Her next, A Jefferson Reader on Race, is forthcoming from Princeton University Press. Gordon-Reed’s honors include the National Humanities Medal, a Guggenheim Fellowship, a MacArthur Fellowship, the National Book Award for nonfiction, and others. As a student she was an editor for the Harvard Law Review; she has since served as a trustee for the National Humanities Center and was elected a member of the American Philosophical Society.
TIM BLANNING, Study Leader for Smithsonian Journeys, is Professor Emeritus of Modern European History at the University of Cambridge. A Fellow of the British Academy since 1990, Tim has published extensively on the political and cultural history of Europe in the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. Among his publications are *The Culture of Power and the Power of Culture*, *The Pursuit of Glory: Europe 1648-1815*, *The Triumph of Music and The Romantic Revolution*. His most recent book is a best-selling and prize-winning biography of Frederick the Great, King of Prussia. For his current project on the exciting—and notorious—Augustus “the Strong” of Saxony and Poland, Blanning has expanded his areas of expertise to include the Baltic countries and Eastern Europe.

JAN-WERNER MÜLLER, Study Leader for Princeton Journeys, is professor of politics at Princeton University. He is the author of many books, including *What is Populism?* (Princeton President Chris Eisgruber’s pre-read selection for the class of 2021). Müller’s public affairs commentary has appeared in the *London Review of Books*, the *New York Review of Books*, *Foreign Affairs*, the *Guardian*, and the *New York Times*. He has been a visiting fellow at the Collegium Budapest Institute of Advanced Study, Collegium Helsinki; the Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna; the Remarque Institute, NYU; the Center for European Studies, Harvard; and the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute, Florence. Müller co-founded Germany’s first private, English-speaking liberal arts college, for which he served as founding research director.

ELIZABETH SHERWOOD-RANDALL, Study Leader for the Commonwealth Club, is an American national security leader who has served in multiple senior governmental roles. She is currently a Distinguished Professor at Georgia Tech and a Senior Fellow at the Harvard Kennedy School Belfer Center. She was most recently the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Energy, overseeing missions in nuclear deterrence, global proliferation prevention, climate science and clean energy, emergency response and power grid security. She served as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for European Affairs in the Obama Administration, with responsibility for 49 European countries, NATO and the European Union, and as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Russia, Ukraine and Eurasia in the Clinton Administration.
CRAIG SNYDER is president and CEO of the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia, and was a former Chief of Staff to Senator Arlen Specter while the senator chaired the Intelligence Committee. Craig made numerous visits to the Middle East during those years and held a top-secret clearance, permitting him to be involved in private discussions with Middle East leaders and official United States efforts. Snyder has led study tours to Iran, Cuba, the Baltic Sea region, Tunisia, Israel, and in 2018, to Poland and Moscow. He is the executive producer of the Council’s new public television series, “The Whole Truth with David Eisenhower.”

JEREMY M. WEINSTEIN is Professor of Political Science, Fisher Family Director of Stanford Global Studies, and Senior Fellow at the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies and the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research at Stanford University. He also is faculty co-director of the Immigration Policy Lab and the Data for Development Initiative. Weinstein has worked at the highest levels of government on major foreign policy and national security challenges, serving on a committee that advised the National Security Council, the Cabinet, and the President on the full range of foreign policy issues, including global counterterrorism, nonproliferation, U.S. policy in the Middle East, the strategic rebalance to Asia, and cyber threats, among a wide variety of other issues.

Doris Kearns Goodwin will accompany the group through September 12 only and does not join the group in Berlin; Jan-Werner Muller will accompany the group September 14-15 in Berlin only; Elizabeth Sherwood-Randall, Tim Blanning, and Craig Snyder will accompany our group for the entirety of the program.