

# 2015 LUND CRITICAL DEBATE

## American Foreign Policy in the Middle East: Success or Failure? (2014-2015)



Moderated by Cornell Law Professor, Aziz Rana, the Einaudi Center organized the 2015 Lund Critical Debate, “American Foreign Policy in the Middle East: Success or Failure?” on March 3, 2015, in Statler Auditorium. The debate’s two panelists were Bassam Haddad and Ambassador Dennis Ross.

**Bassam Haddad** is currently Director of the Middle East Studies Program and Associate Professor at the School of Policy, Government, and International Affairs (SPGIA) at George Mason University, a Visiting Scholar at Stanford's Program for Good Governance and Political Reform in the Arab World, Executive Director of the Arab Studies Institute, Founding Editor of the *Arab Studies Journal*, author of *Business Networks in Syria: The Political Economy of Authoritarian Resilience*, co-producer/director of the award-winning documentary film, *About Baghdad*, and director of a critically acclaimed film series on *Arabs and Terrorism*.

**Ambassador Dennis Ross** is counselor and William Davidson Distinguished Fellow at The Washington Institute for Near East Policy, and author of *Myths, Illusions, and Peace: Finding a New Direction for America in the Middle East*, coauthored with Institute peace process expert David Makovsky.

**Aziz Rana** is an Associate Professor of Law at the Cornell Law School, where he specializes in American constitutional law and political development.

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