



# What the Future Holds: A Discussion on the US Role in the Middle East and North Africa

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 | 3:00PM - 4:30PM EST**

**FAIRWINDS ALUMNI CENTER**

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**GUEST SPEAKER:**

**AMBASSADOR DAVID WELCH**

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE & U.S. FORMER AMBASSADOR



UCF GPII is pleased to invite you to an informative discussion with Ambassador David Welch, a top former U.S. diplomat who served as Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs in the U.S. Department of State from 2005 through 2008, Ambassador to Egypt 2001-2005, and Assistant Secretary for International Organizations 1998-2001. With his extensive experience and deep understanding of the Middle East, Ambassador Welch will share his perspective and engage in a thought-provoking dialogue on the geopolitical landscape, American foreign policy, and key challenges facing the region today.

Ambassador David Welch is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of PSA. He served 32 years (1977-2008) with the U.S. Foreign Service.

**Moderated by:** David Dumke, Executive Director for the Office of Global Perspectives and International Initiatives (GPII)

This is a public forum, all are welcome to attend.

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