



**The Causes and Consequences of Electoral Fraud:  
Lessons from the History of Established Democracies**

**WORKSHOP PROGRAM**

Location: Harvard University, Center for European Studies, 27 Kirkland Street, Cambridge MA  
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**Friday, November 1**

Coffee: 9:00-9:30 am

9.30-10.00 am **Introduction** (Jan Teorell & Daniel Ziblatt)

10.00-12.00 **Session 1: The Latin American Experience**

Chair: Daniel Ziblatt, Harvard University

Alberto Simpser, University of Chicago

”Fraud is not a last resort: institutional development and the sequencing of electoral manipulation tactics, with evidence from Mexico”

Eduardo Posada-Carbo, Oxford University

”Electoral Fraud, Institutional Reforms and Party Organization in Colombia, 1900-1930”

Discussant: Frederic Schaffer, University of Massachusetts-Amherst,

12.00-1.00 pm Lunch (at the Center for European Studies)

1.00-3.00 pm **Session 2: Reform in Britain**

Chair: Jan Teorell, Lund University

Chris Kam, University of British Columbia

”The impact of the secret ballot on the market for votes at British parliamentary elections, 1820-1906”

Andrew Eggers, London School of Economics, and Arthur Spirling, Harvard

”Disordered Elections and Anti-Incumbent Bias in 19th-Century Britain”

Discussant: Jørgen Elklit, University of Aarhus

3.00-3.30 pm Coffee break

3.30-5.30 pm **Session 3: Reform in the Americas**

Chair: Daniel Ziblatt, Harvard

Didi Kuo, Stanford University & Jan Teorell, Lund

“Election Fraud and Contested Congressional Elections: An Analysis of the United States, 1860-1930”

Fabrice Lehoucq, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

”Establishing Fraud-Free Elections: Institutional Innovations from Costa Rica”

Discussant: James Alt, Harvard

7.30 pm Dinner: Sandrine’s

**Saturday, November 2**

Coffee: 9:30-10:00 am

10-12.00 pm **Session 4: The Adoption of the Secret Ballot**

Chair: Jan Teorell

Isabela Mares, Columbia University (with Martin Ardanaz, Interamerican Development Bank)

”Political coalitions over secret ballot reform: The Case of Imperial Germany”

Peter Sandholt Jensen, University of Southern Denmark (with Toke Aidt, Cambridge University)

”From Open to Secret Ballot: Vote Buying and Modernization”

Discussant: Nahomi Ichino, Harvard University

12.00-1.00 pm Lunch (at the Center for European Studies)

3.30-5.30 pm **Session 5: The Limits of Institutional Reform**

Chair: Daniel Ziblatt, Harvard University

David Art, Tufts University

“The Persistence of Electoral Fraud in Giolittian Italy”

Nan Zhang, Stanford University

”Marginality, Social Stigma, and Changing the Culture of Corruption”

Discussant: Miriam Golden, University California, Los Angeles

3.00-4.00 pm **Session 6: Lessons Learned**