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America and the World: Is Trump a Game-Changer?

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Has Donald Trump been a game-changer for the US role in the world? International public opinion would suggest the answer is yes. Many scholars and pundits, though, argue that less has changed than is commonly assumed. Some campaign trail threats have begun to materialize, but many have not, and US alliances remain broadly in-tact. This belies a more fundamental aspect of America's role in the world: America's influence is a function not only of what it "does" but also of what it "is".

This talk grapples with a number of long-standing debates about foreign policy, hypocrisy, and human rights. It also looks specifically at some critical questions that have surfaced during the first year of Trump's Presidency: Is Trump a symptom of rising inequality, changing demographics and inevitable decline, or is Trump a problem? Does the system abroad (the so-called international liberal order) and at home (liberal democracy) work to constrain American leaders that stray too far from a well chartered course? It considers the impact of this US Presidency, relative to other factors, on the future of human rights.



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