

## **Conference Program**

### **Trading Political Rights: The Comparative Politics of Vote Buying**

The Center for International Studies (CIS)  
Building E38, 292 Main Street  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Cambridge, MA

26–27 August 2002

## Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>

8:30–9:00 Breakfast (6th floor conference room, CIS)

9:00–10:30 **What is Vote Buying?**  
(7th floor, CIS)

Frederic C. Schaffer (MIT) & Andreas Schedler (FLACSO Mexico)

Discussant: John Gerring (Boston University)

11:00–12:30 **Theoretical and Empirical Overview**  
(7th floor, CIS)

“When Do Parties Buy Votes?  
Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives on Electoral Corruption”  
Fabrice Lehoucq (CIDE)

Discussant: John Gerring (Boston University)

12:30–2:00 Lunch (6th floor conference room, CIS)

2:00–3:30 **Observation and Measurement**  
(7th floor, CIS)

“Weighing a Shadow: Toward a Technique for Estimating the Effects of  
Vote-buying in Taiwan”  
Shelley Rigger (Davidson College)

“The Politics of Vote Buying in Venezuela”  
Miriam Kornblith (Universidad Central de Venezuela)

Discussant: Fabrice Lehoucq (CIDE)

4:00–5:30 **Causes and Cures**  
(7th floor, CIS)

“The Ideology of Vote-buying and the Democratic Deferral of Political  
Reform” (Thailand)  
William A. Callahan (University of Durham, UK)

“The Market for Votes in Thailand”  
Allen Hicken (University of Michigan)

Discussant: Shelley Rigger (Davidson College)

7:00 Dinner: The Helmand, 143 First Street, Cambridge.

Please meet in the lobby of the Kendall Hotel at 6:40. We will be taking  
taxis to the restaurant.

**Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**

8:30–9:00 Breakfast (6th floor conference room, CIS)

9:00–11:00 **Consequences**  
(7th floor, CIS)

“Futile or Effective? The Right’s ‘Gifts’ to Voters in the Second Round of the Chilean Presidential Elections of January 2000.”

J. Samuel Valenzuela (University of Notre Dame)

“How Vote Buying Shapes the Political Arena” (Brazil)

Scott W. Desposato (University of Arizona)

“Electoral Clientelism and Voting Behavior:  
A Field Experiment in Benin”

Leonard Wantchekon (New York University)

Discussant: Steve Levitsky (Harvard University)

11:30–1:00 **Norms and Discourses**  
(7th floor, CIS)

“Disciplinary Reactions: Alienation and the Reform of Vote Buying in the Philippines”

Frederic C. Schaffer (MIT)

“My Vote? Not For Sale: How Mexican Citizens View Electoral Clientelism”

Andreas Schedler (FLACSO Mexico)

Discussant: Kanchan Chandra (MIT)

1:00–2:00 Lunch (6th floor conference room, CIS)

2:00–3:30 **Taking Intellectual Stock**  
(7th floor, CIS)

What Have We Learned? What Steps Next?

Open discussion