

INTRODUCTION
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Thank you for joining us. The events of the past few weeks in Ukraine have shaken our sense of stability in ways different than what we have already experienced in the past two years. They have raised a whole new set of questions regarding the meaning and impact of global events that could affect us, and which are unquestionably having a terrible effect on the people of Ukraine, even as we gather tonight.

We are so fortunate to have William Wohlforth, Daniel Webster Professor of Government at Dartmouth College with us tonight. A member of the Government Department's faculty since 2000, he teaches and conducts research on international relations, with an emphasis on international security and foreign policy. Before coming to Hanover, he taught at Princeton and Georgetown.

Professor Wohlforth is the author or editor of nine books and some 60 articles and chapters on topics ranging from the Cold War to contemporary U.S. grand strategy. He teaches courses in international politics, Russian foreign policy, leadership and grand strategy, violence & security and decision-making. Most recently, he spent 6 weeks a year in Moscow, between 2016 and 2021, working with international relations scholars there.

Bill's Lyme connections go way back: His grandfather, Merle Curti, a professor of history, bought Flint Hill Farm in 1939 and it became his family's summer place. Merle gave it to the Abbey of Regina Laudis, a monastic community, in the late 1980s. He currently lives on property that was part of that original parcel, on which he played as a lad in the 1960s and early 1970s.

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