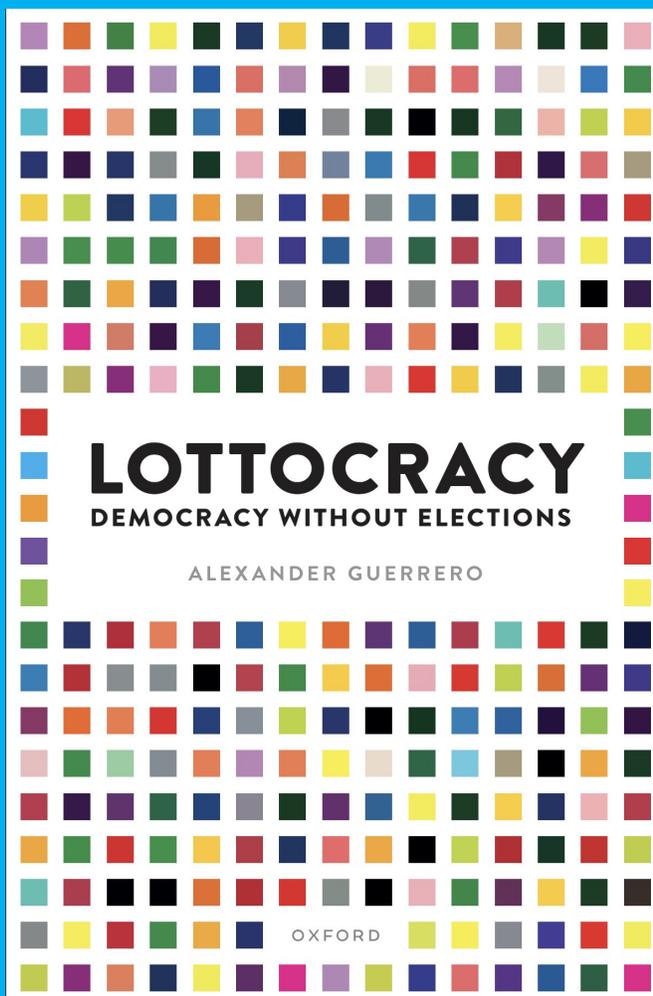


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Lottocracy: Can We Have Democracy Without Elections?

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American democracy does not seem particularly healthy. Our democratic institutions seem unable to handle the combination of political polarization, an increasingly partisan media environment, the weakening rule of law, attacks on individual rights, and increasing inequality. In response to this condition, the idea of "lottocracy" - replacing elected representatives with representatives randomly selected by lottery - has recently gained traction among some democratic theorists and political philosophers. But is this actually a solution, and would it still be fair to call it "democracy?"



We welcome special guest Dr. John McMahon, Assoc. Prof. of Political Science and Fellow at the Institute, to help us understand this important topic. This forum is an opportunity for students, faculty, administrators, staff, alumni, and community members to come together and learn about this issue.

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