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巴格達的全球化：一個帝國都城與世界的交織

June 4

5:30 pm Refreshments

6:00 pm Public Talk



**Richard Payne**

The University of Chicago



**Hugh Kennedy**

SOAS, University of London



Together with University of Chicago Professor **Richard Payne**, Professor **Hugh Kennedy** from SOAS, University of London, will consider how the elites of Baghdad – whether as rulers, merchants, or consumers – perceived their participation in a globalized economy and, especially, the role of governmental and commercial institutions in its development.

This lecture will explore the connections between Western Asia and China, circa 700-1100 CE, and their impact on perceptions of global entanglement in the primary metropole of the Islamic world, Baghdad. It will focus on shifting routes of trans-Asian trade, continental and oceanic, especially after the emergence of Baghdad as the most important market for goods and services in the Western Eurasia from its foundation in 762.

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