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The Project on Middle East Democracy (POMED) presents
a “Rethinking Democracy Promotion” briefing with:

Scott Carpenter

and

Les Campbell

**"Looking Ahead: The Future of the Middle
East Partnership Initiative (MEPI)"**

Friday, November 14, 12:00 - 1:15 pm
Russell Senate Office Building, Room 188

The briefing is open to Senate and House staffers. Lunch will be served.

Please RSVP to advocacy@pomed.org

The Project on Middle East Democracy (POMED) is a non-partisan, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to re-examining how genuine democracies can develop in the Middle East and how the U.S. can best support that process.

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"Rethinking Democracy Promotion" is a monthly series of briefings for Congressional staff to examine the challenges of supporting democracy in the Middle East and a wide variety of nonviolent policy tools for meeting those challenges. The series is sponsored by the Project on Middle East Democracy.

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