

The Center on Capitalism and Society
and Common Good present

Bureaucracy vs. Democracy

On February 19, the Center on Capitalism and Society at Columbia University and Common Good will co-host a morning forum, “**Bureaucracy vs. Democracy**,” discussing the need to reboot legacy bureaucracies.

The event will consist of three panels looking at the bureaucratic causes of public paralysis and voter alienation. Philip Howard will present a paper summarizing economic, psychological, and legal critiques of bureaucracy.

Co-hosts:

- **Edmund Phelps**, Director, Center on Capitalism and Society (2006 Nobel Prize)
- **Philip K. Howard**, Chair, Common Good

Panelists:

- **Patrick Foye**, President, MTA
- **Francis Fukuyama**, Stanford (political science) *via video*
- **Nicole Gelinas**, Manhattan Institute (urban economics)
- **Heather R. Higgins**, Chairman, Independent Women’s Forum (moderator)
- **Bruce Homer**, CUNY (cognitive overload)
- **Sally Katzen**, NYU Law (regulatory expert)
- **Robin Lake**, University of Washington (education) *via video*
- **Paul C. Light**, NYU (public service)
- **Megan McArdle**, columnist, *Washington Post* (moderator)
- **Richard Robb**, Columbia (economics)
- **Paul Romer**, NYU (economics, 2018 Nobel Prize) *via video*
- **Richard Sennett**, NYU and LSE (sociology)
- **Jeremy Waldron**, NYU Law (legal philosophy)
- **Mark Whitaker**, journalist (moderator)

Event details:

Time: Tuesday, February 19; 9:00 AM to noon, with breakfast at 8:15 AM

Location: Columbia University; International Affairs Building, Room 1512;
420 West 118th Street

To **RSVP**, please e-mail your name, position, affiliation, and contact information to Ruth Mary Giverin of Common Good at rmgiverin@commongood.org. Please contact Ruth with any questions as well.