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The Neighborhood Effect: The Imperial Roots of Regional Fracture in Eurasia

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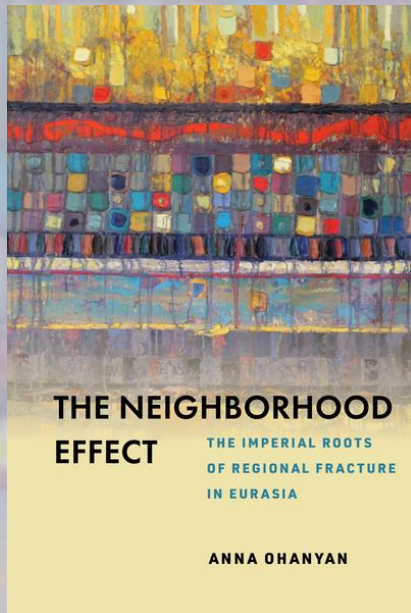
This in-person event will also be streamed live on Zoom and YouTube.

Zoom Registration Link:

<https://bit.ly/NAASR-Ohanyan>

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Why are certain regions of the world mired in conflict? And how did some regions in Eurasia emerge from the Cold War as peaceful and resilient? Why do conflicts ignite in Bosnia, Donbas, and Damascus—once on the peripheries of mighty empires—yet other postimperial peripheries like the Baltics or Central Europe enjoy quiet stability?

In *The Neighborhood Effect: The Imperial Roots of Regional Fracture in Eurasia* (Stanford Univ. Press, 2022), Anna Ohanyan argues for the salience of the neighborhood effect: the complex regional connectivity among ethnic-religious communities that can form resilient regions. She examines case studies from regions once on the fringes of the Habsburg, Ottoman, and Russian Empires to find the often-overlooked patterns of bonding and bridging, or clustering and isolation of political power and social resources, that are associated with regional resilience or fracture in those regions today.

Anna Ohanyan is the Richard B. Finnegan Distinguished Professor of Political Science & International Relations at Stonehill College, a Nonresident Senior Scholar at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace/Russia and Eurasia Program, and a two-time Fulbright Scholar to South Caucasus. Dr. Ohanyan founded the Global Development and Security Studies Program at Stonehill and served as the chair of the Political Science & International Studies Department from 2014 to 2017. She is the 2022 recipient of the Michael Horne Award for Distinguished Faculty Scholarship at Stonehill and is a member of the NAASR Board of Directors.

Dr. Ohanyan has authored and co-authored five books, including *Armenia's Velvet Revolution: Authoritarian Decline and Civil Resistance in a Multipolar World* (I. B. Tauris, 2020), *Russia Abroad: Driving Regional Fracture in Post-Communist Eurasia and Beyond* (Georgetown Univ. Press, 2018), and *Networked Regionalism as Conflict Management* (Stanford Univ. Press, 2015.)

Professor Charles B. Garabedian (1917-1991) was born in Everett, Mass., and graduated magna cum laude from Everett High School and Tufts University (A.B. English and History). He attended Harvard Law School and graduated magna cum laude from Boston University Law School. During World War II he served in the Office of Strategic Services (OSS), and in the late 1940s he began his teaching career at Suffolk University Law School. His expertise was tort litigation and damages, courses which he continuously taught at Suffolk University Law School for over 40 years. At the time of his death, Professor Garabedian was the Senior Faculty Professor at Suffolk University Law School. The annual lecture in his memory has been established at NAASR by Prof. Garabedian's niece, NAASR Board Member Joan E. Kolligian.

***The Neighborhood Effect* is available from the NAASR Bookstore.**

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