



# IFES Charles T. Manatt Democracy Awards & 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

June 14, 2022

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Four Seasons Hotel, Washington, D.C.

## ABOUT THE IFES CHARLES T. MANATT DEMOCRACY AWARDS

The International Foundation for Electoral Systems' (IFES) Democracy Awards honors the unwavering commitment to democracy of former IFES Board of Directors Chairman Charles T. Manatt. Each ceremony recognizes three inspirational leaders – a Democrat, Republican and member of the international community – who embody IFES' vision of democracy for a better future.

In 2022, IFES will honor:

- **United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Democracy, Rights and Governance (DRG) Officers, with USAID Administrator Samantha Power** accepting on their behalf.
- **United States Senator Rob Portman.**
- **President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy, with Ambassador of Ukraine to the United States Oksana Markarova** accepting on his behalf.

This premier event will include members of Congress, the Biden Administration and other leaders, experts and advocates for democracy, human rights and governance. A panel discussion with awardees will be moderated by journalist **Judy Woodruff**.

“The work of building and sustaining democracies requires persistence and it requires cooperation. Since its founding over 30 years ago, IFES has brought both of these attributes to the fight for freedom.”

– 2019 Democracy Awardee Madeleine K. Albright

## ABOUT IFES' 35TH ANNIVERSARY

IFES is celebrating our 35th anniversary in 2022. Throughout the year, IFES will reflect on the voices and moments that have shaped us. For more information, please contact IFES Vice President for Global Growth and Outreach Catherine Barnes ([cbarnes@ifes.org](mailto:cbarnes@ifes.org)).

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## Recent Democracy Award Recipients

Speaker of the House  
Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.)

U.S. Secretary of State  
Madeleine K. Albright

President of Liberia  
Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

Swedish Minister for  
Foreign Affairs Margot  
Wallström

U.S. National Security  
Advisor Stephen J. Hadley

Senator Chris Coons  
(D-Del.)

Ambassador Mark Green

Congressman Ed Royce  
(R-Calif.)

Secretary General of the  
Organization of American  
States Luis Almagro

[You may find the complete list of past awardees here.](#)



# About IFES

## VISION

**Democracy for a better future.**

## MISSION

**Together we build resilient democracies that deliver for all.**

IFES advances democracy for a better future. We collaborate with civil society, public institutions and the private sector to build resilient democracies that deliver for everyone. As a global leader in the promotion and protection of democracy, our technical assistance and applied research develops trusted electoral bodies capable of conducting credible elections; effective and accountable governing institutions; civic and political processes in which all people can safely and equally participate; and innovative ways in which technology and data can positively serve elections and democracy. Since 1987, IFES has worked in more than 145 countries, from developing to mature democracies. Today IFES is working in over 45 countries in all regions of the world, including Northern Triangle countries where we are expanding efforts to advance inclusive democracy and combat corruption. IFES is a global, nonpartisan nonprofit organization based in Arlington, Virginia, and registered as a 501(c)(3).

“ I am grateful to receive this Democracy Award from IFES, an organization that helps to build...hope and fight the doomsday feeling with a policy for faith in the future.”  
– 2019 Democracy Awardee Margot Wallström

## STRATEGIC OUTCOMES



Trusted electoral stakeholders deliver credible elections.



Effective governing institutions are accountable to the people they serve.



All people safely participate in civic and political life on an equal basis.



Technology, information and data positively serve elections and democracy.



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