



Modern Monarchy in Global Perspective Hub

Seminar Series 2022



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'a stateswoman of unmatched dignity and constancy': Elizabeth II and British Twentieth-Century State Visits in Perspective

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Queen Elizabeth II is regarded as the most well-travelled monarch in history, representing the UK in almost every country in the world. However, the link between monarchy and foreign representation was not always a given in the form in which she lived it, but is the result of a historical development since the mid-nineteenth century. The lecture will trace the broad lines of this development from Queen Victoria through King Edward VII, George V and George VI to Elizabeth II. It combines royal history with the history of British foreign policy and twentieth-century political history to explore the different influence and impact on UK diplomacy of British monarchs. Ultimately, there is an attempt to take stock of the late Elizabeth II's reign in terms of foreign policy.

Image: The unveiling of a new portrait of Queen Elizabeth II by artist Miriam Escofet (left) with Simon McDonald, permanent under-secretary of state for foreign and commonwealth affairs and head of the Diplomatic Service. Photograph: Foreign and Commonwealth Office



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