

# **The Evolution of Cooperation & The Framing of Peace**

**May 16-17, 2013**

**Betty Ford Classroom, Weill Hall  
Gerald R Ford School of Public Policy  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor**

The Center for the Study of Complex Systems, The Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and the Department of Political Science will be hosting a two day conference on the *Evolution of Cooperation* and *The Framing of Peace*. This conference will focus on the past and current research of Robert Axelrod, who has made substantial contributions to all three units. Professor Axelrod is a MacArthur Fellow, a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and a member of the National Academy of Sciences. His work on the evolution of cooperation, complexity, and on the framing of peace has had enormous impact.

The two-day event will consist of short talks by leading scholars as well as panel discussions on topics related to cooperation, complexity, framing and peace. Participants will reflect on the broader impact of Axelrod's work and on how to move forward. The event is open to faculty and students at the University of Michigan.

## **May 16 Cooperation and Complexity**

**9:45 am: Welcome**

**Susan Collins, Dean, Ford School of Public Policy**

**Scott E. Page, Director, Center for the Study of Complex Systems**

**10-12: The Importance of Cooperation**

**Framing:** Carl P. Simon, University of Michigan

**Panel:**

Robert Putnam, Harvard University

Bobbi Low, University of Michigan

Ken Kollman, University of Michigan

David Lazer, Northeastern University

**1:30-3:00: Complexity**

**Adaptation, Agent Based Models, and Harnessing Complexity**

**Framing:** Stephanie Forrest, University of New Mexico and the Santa Fe Institute

**Panel:**

John Holland, University of Michigan  
Carl Simon, University of Michigan  
Doug Hofstadter, Indiana University  
Elizabeth Bruch, University of Michigan

**3:00-3:30: Break**

**3:30-5:00 The Culture Model and Its Descendants**

**Framing:** Ross Hammond, Brookings.

**Panel:**

Jenna Bednar, University of Michigan  
Andrea Jones-Rooy, Carnegie-Mellon University  
Henry Wright, University of Michigan  
Scott E Page, University of Michigan

**5:00 pm Adjourn**

## **May 17<sup>th</sup> The Framing of Peace**

**9:15 am: Welcome**

**Chuck Shipan, Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan**

**9:30 -11:30 Peace, War and International Relations**

**Framing:** D. Scott Bennett, Pennsylvania State University and Lars Erik Cederman, ETH Zurich

**Panel:**

Ravi Bhavnani, Graduate Institute Geneva  
Jim Morrow, University of Michigan

**1:00 – 3:00: Framing Peace and Effecting Policy**

**Framing:** Scott Atran, College de France

**Panel:**

Scott Atran, College de France  
Dan Corstange, Columbia University  
Larissa Forster, University of Michigan

**3:30 – 4:30: Axelrod <sup>2</sup> (Bob on Bob)**

Robert Axelrod, University of Michigan

**4:30 – 5:30: Reception at Ford School**