



# Atlantic Council

## The Age of Perplexity: Rethinking the World We Knew

Please join the Atlantic Council for a public event, "**The Age of Perplexity: Rethinking the World We Knew**," co-hosted by BBVA and the Elcano Royal Institute on **November 6, 2018** from **9:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.** The event will be held at **Atlantic Council headquarters** (1030 15th Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington DC 20005).

Technological revolution and globalization have opened up the "Age of Perplexity." This new age is defined by rapid and vast changes in the economy, politics, society, and daily life. Mass migration, climate concerns, populism and anti-establishment movements, authoritarianism, digital disruption, economic inequality, and demographic change all present serious challenges to the liberal world order.

At this critical juncture, the Atlantic Council, in partnership with BBVA and the Elcano Royal Institute, will host a public discussion featuring some of the authors from [\*The Age of Perplexity: Rethinking the World We Knew\*](#), the book published by BBVA through its OpenMind initiative, to share their perspectives on the major transformations currently taking place in our society and the impact they may have on the future of the liberal international order. These are the challenges and opportunities that will define the 21st century.

### Agenda:

**9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m - Welcome and Introduction**



**Mr. Frederick Kempe**  
*President and Chief Executive Officer, Atlantic Council*



**Mr. Francisco González**  
*Group Executive Chairman, BBVA*

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**Tuesday, November 6, 2018**  
9:30 a.m to 12:45 p.m.  
Atlantic Council Headquarters

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**Visiting the Council:**

[Metro and parking info](#)  
1030 15th Street NW  
West Tower Elevators, 12th Floor  
Washington, DC, 20005

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**Dr. Charles Powell**  
*Director, Elcano Royal Institute*

**10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. - The Politics of Discontent**

*What is populism? What are its deeper causes - economic, social and cultural - in the West? What are its political effects, and how might they be addressed?*

Speakers:



**Dr. Jan-Werner Müller**  
*Professor of Politics, Department of Politics, Princeton University*



**Dr. Zia Qureshi**  
*Visiting Fellow, Global Economy and Development, Brookings Institution*



**Dr. Diana Owens**  
*Professor, Communication, Culture, and Technology Graduate Program, Georgetown University*



**Dr. Charles Powell**  
*Director, Elcano Royal Institute*

**11:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Coffee Break**

**11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. - The New Global (Dis)order**

*What are the foremost challenges facing the liberal international order? What are the competing visions of what may replace it, and what actors are backing these visions?*

Speakers:



**Mr. John Andrews**  
*Senior Editor, Project Syndicate*

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This event is open to the public - feel free to share this invitation!

**About:**

The Atlantic Council promotes constructive leadership and engagement in international affairs based on the Atlantic community's central role in meeting global challenges.

**Questions:**

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**Dr. Ian Storey**

*Senior Fellow & Editor-in-Chief, Contemporary Southeast Asia, The Institute of Southeast Asian Studies*



**Dr. Miguel Ángel Centeno**

*Musgrave Professor of Sociology, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University*



**Dr. Frances G. Burwell**

*Distinguished Fellow, Future Europe Initiative, Atlantic Council*

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