EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES—
AN UNPARALLELED ALLIANCE
AND UNPRECEDENTED CHALLENGES

A Global Symposium

ABOARD THE Crystal Mahler

SEPTEMBER 5–16, 2020

FEATURING David Cameron

FORMER PRIME MINISTER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, 2010–2016
This Global Symposium addresses pressing transnational issues through the lens of the alliance between Europe and the United States. An impressive team of thought leaders, journalists, and other high-profile speakers present intellectually stimulating content in spectacular destinations, creating a unique travel experience.

INSIGHT

The Global Symposium is carefully designed to provide significant insight into complex international issues. Participants gain greater understanding through daily interactions and on-the-ground conversations with the numerous guest speakers and renowned experts traveling with them—in both formal presentations and off-the-record conversations.

ACCESS

This exceptional experience affords the highest levels of access. Highlights include meetings with prominent guests and dignitaries; elegant evenings in Berlin, Vienna, and Budapest; private musical performances; an exclusive, five-night charter cruise aboard the all-suite river yacht Crystal Mahler; privileged access to landmark venues; and customized cultural experiences led by regional experts.

EXPERTS

The defining feature of the Global Symposium is the extraordinary and unforgettable contribution made by our speakers and special guests. Join David Cameron, former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, and an impressive team of experts including experienced senior policy makers, historians, and scholars for an in-depth exploration of the past, present, and future of the vital alliance between Europe and the United States.
DAVID CAMERON served as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from 2010 to 2016, leading Britain’s first Coalition Government in nearly 70 years and forming the first majority Conservative Government in the UK for over two decades.

Cameron came to power at a moment of economic crisis and with an unprecedented fiscal challenge. Under his leadership, the UK’s economy was transformed. The deficit was reduced by over two-thirds; one million businesses were set up; and a record number of jobs were created. That created the stability Cameron needed to cut taxes, introduce a National Living Wage, transform education, reform welfare, protect the National Health Service, and increase pensions. Cameron promoted social justice, advanced the green agenda, decreased carbon emissions, and set protecting the NHS as a top priority.

Internationally, Cameron developed a foreign policy in the post-Iraq era that addressed the new challenges of the Arab Spring, as well as a more aggressive Russia, while ensuring that Britain played a full role in the global fight against ISIS. He championed sustainable development and ensured that the UK played a leading role in the successful Paris Agreement on climate change.

Cameron argued that Britain was stronger, safer and better off inside the European Union, but after the British people voted to leave the EU in 2016, Cameron resigned as Prime Minister and later stood down from Parliament. Since leaving No10, he has continued focusing on issues he advanced while in office: supporting life chances for young people and building a bigger, stronger society; championing Britain’s cutting edge medical research; and promoting international development. He chairs the LSE-Oxford Commission on State Fragility, Growth and Development; sits on the Global Board of Advisors at the Council on Foreign Relations; and advises international businesses—all concentrating on innovative technology-driven sectors: Fin-Tech, Medi-Tech and AI.
DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN
is a world-renowned presidential historian, public speaker, and Pulitzer Prize-winning, New York Times #1 best-selling author. Her seventh book, Leadership in Turbulent Times, was published in September 2018 to critical acclaim and became an instant New York Times bestseller. A culmination of Goodwin's five-decade career studying the American presidents, the book provides a road map for aspiring and established leaders in every field, and for all of us in our everyday lives. Goodwin was awarded the Pulitzer Prize and is well known for her appearances and commentary on television—in programming ranging from Ken Burns documentaries and Meet The Press to The Late Show with Stephen Colbert and The Simpsons.

PLEASE NOTE THAT DAVID CAMERON, JOINING FOR ONE AFTERNOON; DORIS KERN GOODWIN, JOINING FOR THE DURATION OF THE CRUISE; AND OTHER SPEAKERS WILL BE JOINING US FOR VARYING LENGTHS OF TIME DURING THE PROGRAM. FEATURED SPEAKERS, CONFIRMED AT THE TIME OF PRINTING, ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

PHOTOS (TOP TO BOTTOM): CEREMONIAL HALL AT PESTI VIGADÓ, BUDAPEST; POSTCARD DATED 1915, FEATURING PESTI VIGADÓ; FOUNTAIN OUTSIDE PESTI VIGADÓ; SQUARE ROOM AT CITY PALACE, PALAIS LIECHTENSTEIN, VIENNA; EXTERIOR OF PALAIS LIECHTENSTEIN.
ELIZABETH SHERWOOD-RANDALL,  
Study Leader for the Commonwealth Club, is an American national security leader who has served in multiple senior governmental roles. She is currently a Distinguished Professor at Georgia Tech and a Senior Fellow at the Harvard Kennedy School Belfer Center. She was most recently the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Energy, overseeing missions in nuclear deterrence, global proliferation prevention, climate science and clean energy, emergency response and power grid security. She served as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for European Affairs in the Obama Administration, with responsibility for 49 European countries, NATO and the European Union, and as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Russia, Ukraine and Eurasia in the Clinton Administration.

SABINE CHRISTIANSEN,  
a pioneer and role model for the rise of women in TV reporting, is one of Germany’s most popular journalists. After 10 years as the anchor of Germany’s main news program, “Tagesthemen,” Christiansen headed the most important and most watched political debate program in German television—named after her. Nearly all important heads of state and government, as well as international economic leaders, were guests of “Christiansen.” She began her career as a business and economic editor, became a journalist, and produced numerous award-winning documentaries. Christiansen has received many important media awards (some repeatedly) and, for her social commitment, was named Knight of the Legion of Honour (French Republic) and received the Federal Cross of Merit.

TIM BLANNING,  
Study Leader for Smithsonian Journeys, is Professor Emeritus of Modern European History at the University of Cambridge. A Fellow of the British Academy since 1990, Tim has published extensively on the political and cultural history of Europe in the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. Among his publications are *The Culture of Power* and the *Power of Culture*, *The Pursuit of Glory: Europe 1648-1815*, *The Triumph of Music* and *The Romantic Revolution*. His most recent book is a best-selling and prize-winning biography of Frederick the Great, King of Prussia. For his current project on the exciting—and notorious—Augustus “the Strong” of Saxony and Poland, Blanning has expanded his areas of expertise to include the Baltic countries and Eastern Europe.

CRAIG SNYDER is President and CEO of the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia, and was a former Chief of Staff to Senator Arlen Specter, while the senator chaired the Intelligence Committee. Craig made numerous visits to the Middle East during those years and held a top-secret clearance, permitting him to be involved in private discussions with Middle East leaders and official United States efforts. Snyder has led study tours to Iran, Cuba, the Baltic Sea region, Tunisia, Israel, Poland, Moscow and recently to Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Kuwait and Qatar. He is the executive producer of the Council’s new public television series, “The Whole Truth with David Eisenhower.”

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Dear Commonwealth Club Member,

This Global Symposium addresses pressing international issues through the lens of the vital alliance between Europe and the United States. This historically powerful partnership is facing unprecedented challenges at this moment in history. Both internal and external factors threaten the future of the transatlantic bond that has been a unique source of strength and influence since its creation in 1949 in the aftermath of World War II.

An impressive team of thought leaders, policy makers, journalists, and other high-profile speakers present intellectually stimulating content in spectacular destinations throughout the trip. This historic Global Symposium features the participation of David Cameron, former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, 2010-2016; Doris Kearns Goodwin, world-renowned presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author; and other remarkable thinkers and leaders. The Commonwealth Club Study Leader, The Honorable Elizabeth Sherwood-Randall, Former White House National Security Council Senior Director for European Affairs, will provide insights and analysis about NATO, the European Union, and the bilateral relationships that undergird our alliance with Europe. Dr. Sherwood-Randall is a native Californian who has served in critical foreign and defense policy roles at the White House, the Pentagon, the Department of Energy, and on Capitol Hill. Locally she has served as a Commonwealth Club governor and has often been a featured speaker and program chair.

As you embark on this journey in the autumn of 2020 to gain insight through an important keynote address, roundtable discussions, an extensive lecture series, exclusive regional connections, meetings with local experts, and one-on-one conversations. You’ll have opportunities to interact with guest speakers and renowned experts as you travel together.

Aboard the all-suite Crystal Mahler, exclusively chartered for our group of 94 discerning guests, we’ll cruise some of Europe’s loveliest and most captivating waterways, enjoying the amenities and fine service of one of the highest-rated luxury ships afloat. In Berlin and Budapest we’ll stay in 5-star accommodations—perfectly located in the heart of each city—and we’ll enjoy a privately chartered flight from Vienna to Berlin.

This voyage offers special access and the opportunity to expand your understanding of the strategic importance of the enduring alliance between Europe and the United States—and its impact on our shared global future.

We look forward to traveling with you,

Kristina Nemeth
Travel Director

For more information contact the Commonwealth Club at 415-597-6720 or visit commonwealthclub.org/travel.
## DATE | ITINERARY
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September 5 | Depart U.S.
September 6 | Arrive **BUDAPEST, HUNGARY**; check in to the Four Seasons Gresham Palace
September 7 | **BUDAPEST**, Four Seasons Gresham Palace
September 8 | Embark the **Crystal Mahler** in **BUDAPEST**
September 9 | **BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA**, **Crystal Mahler**
September 10 | **WACHAU VALLEY, AUSTRIA**

September 11 | **LINZ**, **Crystal Mahler**
September 12 | **VIENNA**, **Crystal Mahler**
September 13 | Charter flight from **VIENNA** to **BERLIN, GERMANY**; check in to the Hotel Adlon Kempinski
September 14 | **BERLIN**, Hotel Adlon Kempinski
September 15 | **BERLIN**, Hotel Adlon Kempinski
September 16 | Return to the U.S.

Global Symposium participants may choose from an extensive list of included excursion options. Program itinerary and excursions, while confirmed at the time of printing, are subject to change.
**Budapest**

Stunningly beautiful Budapest—with Buda’s rolling green hills on one side of the Danube and Pest’s grand, energetic architecture on the other—is a UNESCO World Heritage site, recognized as one of the world’s outstanding urban landscapes. Filled with baroque, neoclassical, and art nouveau buildings from its golden age in the late 19th century, the city has a definite *fin de siècle* feel, complete with an array of thermal springs and the impossibly cool “ruin bars”—drinking establishments set in dilapidated pre-war buildings. The city has a rich Jewish heritage: At the turn of the 20th century, nearly 25% of Budapest’s population was Jewish. It has established a reputation as food and wine capital, and is now a vibrant startup hub with huge appeal for tech entrepreneurs—Budapest is heralded as the number-one European city in which to launch a business post-Brexit.

**EXCURSION OPTIONS**

- Exclusive visits to the icons of Budapest, including the magnificent neo-gothic Hungarian Parliament Building and the Great Market Hall, the city’s oldest and largest indoor market
- Specially curated Jewish heritage tour including the second-largest synagogue in the world
- Culinary tasting tour to sample the best Hungarian foods and wine, with a local chef as guide
- Private tour showcasing Budapest’s history, from Socialism to “the future Silicon Valley of Europe”

**Bratislava**

The capital of the Slovak Republic, also referred to as the “Beauty on the Danube,” is a city of medieval towers, rococo architecture, baroque palaces, opulent coffee houses reminiscent of the Hapsburg era—and a grand, hilltop castle from which visitors can admire the view of the Danube and Petřžalka, the infamous panelák jungle, beyond. This Soviet-era “panel city” is the largest prefab housing complex in central Europe, with about 120,000 inhabitants. Along with Bratislava’s other housing blocks and Brutalist architecture, it’s a stark reminder of the city’s totalitarian past.

**PHOTOS (TOP TO BOTTOM): VIEW OF BUDAPEST FROM THE DANUBE; HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT; CHAIN BRIDGE; INTERIOR OF HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT; FISHERMAN’S BASTION.**
These days, Bratislava is the wealthiest and most economically prosperous region in Slovakia, with a skilled labor force and a high density of universities. It’s also the country’s cultural heart. The pedestrian-only, 18th-century Old Town is known for its lively bars and cafes, and the Danube is enlivened by locals promenading along its banks—or having a drink at one of the city’s many floating bars.

EXCURSION OPTIONS

- Architectural walking tour of Bratislava’s Old Town, with several special interior visits, plus a beer tasting at a classic venue.
- Culinary walking tour of Bratislava’s Old Town, stopping to taste local specialties.

Wachau Valley

The vineyards, forested slopes and wine-producing villages of Austria’s Wachau Valley are so spectacular that the whole area has been designated as a UNESCO-listed Cultural Landscape. This section of the Danube is punctuated by medieval castles and imposing fortresses at nearly every bend; one of the most famous is Schloss Artstetten—the grand, onion-domed chateau that was the hereditary castle of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria, whose assassination precipitated World War I. He and his wife are interred in the crypt here, and the castle is filled with archival objects from the Hapsburg family’s history.

Another Wachau Valley must-see is the Melk Abbey, a vast Benedictine monastery founded in the 11th century and reconstructed in the 18th. Looking more like an imperial palace than a monastery, it boasts onion-domed towers, fine gold statuary, elaborate frescoes, richly decorated galleries, and an extensive library with rare medieval manuscripts. The whole region is driven by a lively farm-to-table food scene, with top-quality Grüner Veltliner and riesling whites from local vineyards.

EXCURSION OPTIONS

- Personalized tour of Artstetten Castle—once a summer residence for the Hapsburgs—with a Hohenberg family member
- Exploration of the marvelously baroque, UNESCO-listed Melk Abbey and Melk’s picturesque Old Town with its many original historic buildings
- Active options by eBike and guided hike through the scenic Wachau Valley
Linz
Salzburg and Vienna generally get all the attention as Linz flies under the radar—and flourishes. Well known for the Linzer torte—a jam-filled pastry that uses ground nuts as the predominant dry ingredient—this stunning Austrian city with grand churches and beautiful pastel-colored buildings has a surprisingly modern edge. Beginning in the 1970s, Linz promoted the linking of art and technology, attracting avant-garde conferences and festivals, creative individuals, high-tech experimenters, and others who helped shape the technological revolution.

Just across the border in the Czech Republic, the picturesque town of Český Krumlov sits in striking contrast. It feels like a fairytale from the Middle Ages, with gothic, Renaissance and baroque architecture, quaint houses, winding cobblestone streets, and a grand, 13th-century castle, all situated along a meandering river. On one corner of the town square is Lékárna, a pharmacy that has been there since it opened in 1620.

EXCURSION OPTIONS
• Linzer torte baking workshop and city walk with a local expert
• A haunting visit to the site of the massive Mauthausen Concentration Camp
• Full-day excursion to the UNESCO-listed medieval Czech town of Český Krumlov, with its walkable streets and enchanting architecture

Vienna
With a classical heritage that includes Mozart, Haydn, Beethoven, Schubert, and Brahms, Vienna is rightfully known as the City of Music. But the Viennese appreciation of the finer things in life extends much farther: to sumptuous “living room” coffee-houses, spectacular pastries, and fine wines. This musical and epicurean opulence takes place against the backdrop of Vienna’s imperial grandeur—the legacy of the powerful Hapsburg monarchy. Their home for more than six centuries, the elegant Hofburg palace complex incorporates the Burgkapelle (Imperial Chapel), where the Vienna Boys’ Choir sings Sunday Mass. Museums housed in both historic and contemporary buildings display a fabulous collection of paintings, from priceless Old Masters’ works to Gustav Klimt’s elegant Vienna Secessionist pieces.

Today, Vienna is known as one of the most “sustainable” cities in Europe. It leads the way in clean energy technologies, LEED-certified architecture, aggressively pursuing green mobility, organic farming, and other organic goods—from fashion to cosmetics.
EXCURSION OPTIONS

- Exploration of Vienna’s Jugendstil/Art Nouveau heritage and the baroque Belvedere Palace
- Behind-the-scenes look into “Sustainable Vienna,” including the Spittelau Power Plant designed by eco-architect Friedensreich Hundertwasser.
- Exclusive wine tasting in medieval cellars housing some of the world’s rarest vintages
- Visit to the opulent Imperial Schonbrunn Palace and Royal Carriage Museum
- An eBike adventure among lakes and waterways of idyllic “Old Danube Island”
- Jewish heritage tour of Vienna, retracing eight centuries of fascinating history

Berlin

Bombed during WWII, divided during the Cold War, and finally reunified in 1990, Germany’s dynamic capital city is propelled forward by history. Its 18th-century Brandenburg Gate has become a symbol of reunification, and the original Reichstag building was reconstructed with an impressive modern glass dome affording a 360-degree-view of the surrounding cityscape. Berlin is now known for its cutting-edge architecture and landmarks like the gold-colored, swoop-roofed Berliner Philharmonie, built in 1963.

Hip and energetic, the city has also seized the world’s attention with its vibrant art scene, fabulous food, and exuberant urban life. In this cosmopolitan capital, neighborhoods bustle with restaurants, cafés, entrepreneurial startups, eclectic public art, avant-garde fashion, vintage flea markets, street festivals, quirky museums, farmers’ markets, colorful graffiti, and 24-hour nightlife.

EXCURSION OPTIONS

- Private gallery visits focusing on Berlin’s trendsetting and thought-provoking contemporary art scene
- Expert-led architectural tour, including the Jewish Museum, which presents the social, political and cultural history of German Jews
- An insider’s look at Cold War Berlin—with the chance to drive a vintage two-stroke East German Trabant
- Specially arranged guided tour in the iconic Reichstag (the imperial parliament building) with a visit to the dome
- A meeting with top chefs to taste local specialties and neue deutsche küche, or new German cuisine
- River cruise through the UNESCO World Heritage region between Potsdam and Berlin, with views of the magnificent Sanssouci and Cecilienhof palaces

PHOTOS (TOP TO BOTTOM): SCHONBRUNN PALACE; BERLIN WALL; VIENNA OPERA HOUSE; BRANDENBURG GATE; BUNDESTAG DOME.
Luxurious Five-Star Accommodations in Budapest and Berlin

Four Seasons Gresham Palace

The gorgeous Four Seasons Gresham Palace is a landmark Art Nouveau masterpiece, bringing together a stunning facade, millions of mosaic tiles, an ornate Preciosa chandelier, dramatic stairways, and a magnificent lobby with a vaulted glass roof. Perfectly situated on the Danube, it welcomes guests with warm hospitality and superb service.

Hotel Adlon Kempinski Berlin

A living legend in the heart of Berlin, the Hotel Adlon Kempinski has fascinated guests since 1907, hosting heads of state, celebrities, and other notable patrons. Ideally located directly opposite the Brandenburg Gate and just steps from the Spree River, this iconic and luxurious hotel exudes style and elegance, and welcomes guests with exceptional service.

What to Expect

Included

- All accommodations and excursions as specified in the itinerary including five nights deluxe hotel accommodations and five nights aboard the 5-star Crystal Mahler
- All meals and receptions except one dinner in Berlin
- On-tour charter flight Vienna/Berlin
- Full program of briefings, lectures and presentations
- Transfers for all participants on group arrival and departure dates
- Baggage handling
- gratuities to porters, waitstaff, guides and drivers
- gratuities to shipboard personnel
- Port charges
- Entrance fees
- House wine, beer, and soft drinks with all lunches and dinners
- Bottled water on motorcoaches
- Criterion Tour Manager team

Not Included

- U.S. domestic and international airfare
- Passport/visa expenses
- Medical expenses and immunizations
- Private transfers or airport transfers outside of group arrival and departure days
- Travel insurance
- Optional excursions or deviations from the scheduled tour
- Airline baggage charges
- Meals not specified in the itinerary; dishes and beverages not part of the included meals; liquor or soft drinks except as noted
- Laundry or dry cleaning
- Telephone, fax, internet and email charges
- Room service
- Other items of a personal nature

What to Expect

This is a moderately strenuous program that is at times busy and physically demanding. Daily programs can involve up to two miles of walking, often on uneven terrain. Stairs may not have handrails. Participants must be physically fit and in active good health. Average high temperatures are likely to be in the mid-60s to high 70s, occasionally reaching into the 80s.

Group Size

This program is limited to 94 participants, including travelers from the Commonwealth Club of California, MIT, Princeton, Smithsonian Journeys, the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia, and Yale. For the keynote event in Budapest only, we will be joined by additional travelers from Harvard, Smith, and Stanford.

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The beautiful Crystal Mahler is one of the world’s best-rated river vessels, offering exceptional service from professionals chosen for their expertise and friendliness. Extraordinary personal attention is among the ship’s defining characteristics, as are plush onboard amenities, European butler service, expansive social spaces crowned with skylights and glass roofs, and an ambience of boutique elegance.

**LUXURIOUS ACCOMMODATIONS**

The Crystal Mahler features all-suite, all-balcony staterooms with king-sized beds, a dual vanity in the bathrooms in most categories, and panoramic windows. Amenities include robes and slippers, personal iPads, Inpresso coffee machines, wall-mounted 42-inch, flat-screen HD TVs, and complimentary Wi-Fi (intermittent).

**MICHELIN-INSPIRED CUISINE**

The Mahler’s farm-to-table menus are regionally inspired and sourced with the freshest ingredients from local suppliers. Multiple open-seated eateries include three restaurants and a bistro café; service includes unlimited pours of fine wines, champagnes, premium spirits, and beers.

**THE ONBOARD EXPERIENCE**

The Crystal Mahler features an indoor swimming pool, a full-service spa, and a fitness center equipped with cardio equipment and free weights—with dedicated professionals for service. Daily fitness and yoga classes are also complimentary.
PROGRAM RATES, per person

DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

- **CATEGORY A**, Petite Suite (aft), DECK 2 ............. $14,990  
  188 square feet; Panoramic Balcony-Window

- **CATEGORY B**, Petite Suite (aft), DECK 3 ............. $15,990  
  188 square feet; Panoramic Balcony-Window

- **CATEGORY C**, Deluxe Suite (forward), DECK 2 ........ $18,990  
  237 square feet; Panoramic Balcony-Window

- **CATEGORY D**, Deluxe Suite, DECK 2 ................. $20,990  
  253 square feet; Panoramic Balcony-Window

- **CATEGORY E**, Deluxe Suite, DECK 3 ................. $29,990  
  253 square feet; Panoramic Balcony-Window

- **CATEGORY F**, Crystal Penthouse, DECK 3 ............ $42,990  
  506 square feet; one bedroom with separate living/dining area;  
  suite-wide Panoramic Balcony-Window

SINGLE OCCUPANCY

- **CATEGORY A**, Petite Suite (aft), DECK 2 ............. $22,490

- **CATEGORY B**, Petite Suite (aft), DECK 3 ............. $23,990

- **CATEGORY D**, Deluxe Suite, DECK 2 ................. $31,490

Fees and services are based on exchange rates as of October, 2019, and are subject to change.
RESERVATION FORM

To reserve space, please complete the reservation form and mail it, with your check or credit card information, to 110 The Embarcadero, San Francisco, CA 94105. You may also fax the form to (415) 597-6729 and your reservation will be held pending receipt of your check or credit card information. If you have questions, please call (415) 597-6720 or email travel@commonwealthclub.org.

CONTACT

NAME #1 (AS ON PASSPORT) ___________________________  PREferred NAME for NAME BADGE ___________________________

NAME #2 (AS ON PASSPORT) ___________________________  PREferred NAME for NAME BADGE ___________________________

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MEMBERSHIP

We require membership in the Commonwealth Club to travel with us. Please check one of the following options:

☐ I am a current member of the Commonwealth Club.

☐ I request membership. Please renew my membership with the credit card information provided here.

☐ I will visit commonwealthclub.org/membership to sign up for a membership.

CONFIRMATION

☐ I/We have read the Terms and Conditions section of this brochure and understand and agree with them as stated herein. ☐ I/We understand that the detailed statement of limitations and exclusions of liability will be sent to me/us for signature after registration, and is available for review prior, upon request.

SIGNATURE ___________________________  DATE __________

PAYMENT

☐ Enclosed is my check for $___________ ($2,500 per person, payable to Criterion Travel), to reserve place(s) on the 2020 Global Symposium.

☐ Please charge the deposit to my: ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ AMEX ☐ Discover

CARD NUMBER ___________  EXP DATE ________

CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE ___________________________  SECURITY CODE ___________

NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CREDIT CARD ___________________________

I/We understand a second deposit is due January 30, 2020 and final payment is due April 30, 2020. After January 30, 2020 initial deposit is $5,000 per person and after April 30, 2020 full payment is due at registration.

SINGLE TRAVELERS (If this is a reservation for one person, please indicate):

☐ I plan to share accommodations with ___________________________.

☐ I prefer to have single accommodations.

☐ I understand that a second deposit is due January 30, 2020 and final payment is due April 30, 2020.

☐ I'd like to know about roommates. I am a ☐ Non-smoker ☐ Smoker.

☐ I understand that if a roommate cannot be found by the final payment deadline of April 30, 2020, I will pay the single rate.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Cabin Category Preference: 1st ☐ 2nd ☐

Bed preference in hotels (not guaranteed): ☐ Two beds ☐ One bed

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Complete terms and conditions, including a Statement of Responsibility, will be made available to you at time of registration, or in advance upon request. A signed release is required from each applicant prior to participation on the tour.

RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS, AND FINAL PAYMENT

An initial deposit of $2,500 per person is required to reserve a space on this tour. A second deposit of $2,500 per person is due by February 5, 2020 (120 days prior to departure). These deposits are applied to final payment of the tour price. Final payment is due by May 7, 2020 (120 days prior to departure). If full payment is not received by the final payment due date, your place cannot be guaranteed on the tour.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

Following enrollment, a traveler’s withdrawal from the tour for any reason, including, but not limited to, illness, injury, family engagements, work-related issues, or geopolitical concerns, will be deemed a cancellation. Please understand that there will be no exceptions to our cancellation policy. Cancellation fees are based on the date written notice is received by the Commonwealth Club.

Tour operator will refund on the following basis:

☐ Cancellations within 14 days of booking: Full refund (unless it is after the final payment date of May 7, 2020).

☐ Cancellations 14 days or more after booking: Full refund if paid in full by February 5, 2020 (the second deposit due date). $500 per person retained.

☐ Cancellations between February 5, 2020, and May 6, 2020: Entire deposit of $5,000 per person retained.

☐ Cancellations on or after the final payment date (May 7, 2020): All deposits and final payments are 100% non-refundable.

☐ Cancellation by the Commonwealth Club: Full refund

No refunds will be made for any part of this program on which you choose not to participate. Neither Criterion Travel nor The Commonwealth Club of California accepts liability for any airline cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a non-refundable ticket in conjunction with this tour.

ELIGIBILITY

We require membership to the Commonwealth Club to travel with us. People who live outside of the Bay Area may purchase a national insurance coverage with you on the program.

A NOTE ABOUT COSTS

Your costs are based upon current airfares, taxes, tariffs, and currency values. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. Due to fluctuations in oil prices and/or tax rates, a surcharge may be added to your tour fee (e.g., internal flights, cruises, VAT, etc.) If there are significant changes, details and costs will be advised prior to departure.

INsurance

Travel insurance for trip cancellation and interruption, medical problems, baggage loss and delay, etc., is highly recommended. Trip cancellation policies that apply to this expedition are included in this brochure. Information about travel insurance will be sent to confirmed participants. Please be sure to carry the details of your travel insurance coverage with you on the program.

QUESTIONS

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Symposium Highlights

Gather in Budapest to hear from prominent leaders, including David Cameron, former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, 2010-2016.

Travel and engage daily with high-profile speakers, leaders, and other luminaries, including Presidential Historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning Author Doris Kearns Goodwin.

Enjoy lectures and discussions with Commonwealth Club study leader Liz Sherwood-Randall, former White House National Security Council Senior Director for European Affairs.

Enjoy an outstanding combination of a rich educational program and private musical performances, including a concert by members of the Vienna Philharmonic.

Customize your experience with a menu of excursion options filled with insider experiences such as private, expert-led tours and gallery visits, exclusive wine tastings, a private culinary class and tasting tour, connecting with local residents, and a specially curated Jewish heritage tour.

Stay in luxurious, 5-star accommodations in Berlin and Budapest, offering warm hospitality and superb service in the heart of each city. Comfortable, privately chartered flight between Vienna and Berlin.