

## Kapuscinski Development Lectures

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The lecture series offers students from the European Union member states an unprecedented opportunity to learn and discuss development issues such as climate change, human rights, aid effectiveness, Europe-Africa relations, Sustainable Development Goals among others. The high-level events contribute to the debate and formulation of the European development policy. The lectures are livestreamed at <http://www.kapuscinskilectures.eu> and their content is shared on this website.

The lectures honor the name of Kapuscinski, a Polish journalist and writer, who died in 2007. Kapuscinski, whose books were translated into many languages, was often called the “Third World Chronicler” or the “Voice of the Poor” for his famous reportages and books describing developing countries on all continents. Among other books, he was famous for: “The Emperor” on Ethiopia, “Shah of Shahs” about Iran, “The Shadow of the Sun” about Africa, “Another Day of Life” about Angola, and “Imperium” about the Soviet Union.

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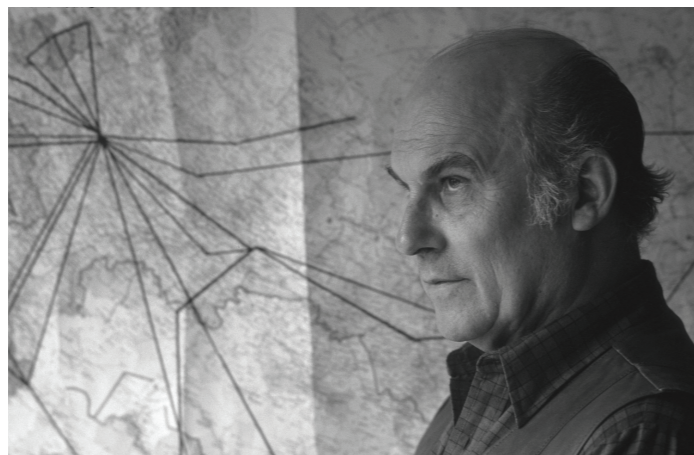
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## Taking peace-building to the world: Our responsibilities and failures

Kapuscinski Development Lecture by  
**H.E. José Ramos-Horta**  
Former President of the Republic of Timor-Leste and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate

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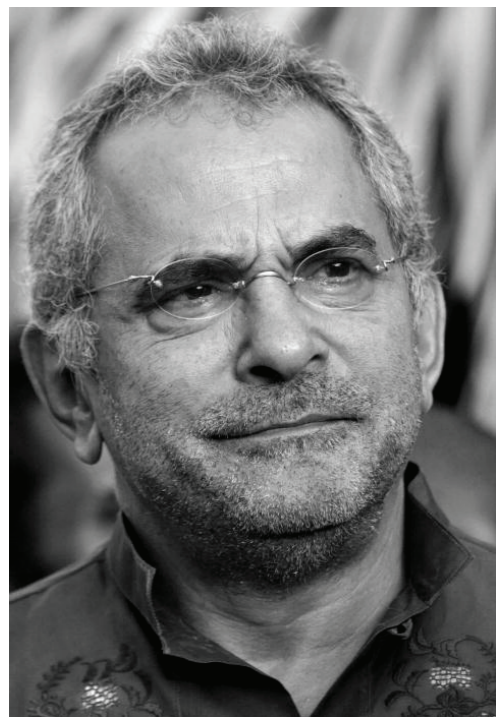
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Ryszard Kapuscinski (1932 - 2007)

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6.00 – 7.30 p.m.

Hertie School of Governance | Forum  
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**H.E. José Ramos-Horta** is former President of the Republic of Timor-Leste and a Nobel Peace Prize Laureate. He is a Member of the Council of State of the Advisory Body to the President of the Republic of Timor-Leste and and most recently served as a Member of the UN Secretary-General High Level Board on Mediation until 2018. He also serves as Commissioner in the Global Commission on Drug Policy in Geneva.

Between 1975 and 1999, Ramos-Horta was Minister for Foreign Affairs and Information in the first government of Timor-Leste, which was proclaimed in December 1975 following the country's Unilateral Declaration of Independence. He was also Representative and Spokesperson for the Resistance during this time. For over two decades, he served as an international spokesperson, extensively lobbying governments and creating networks of supporters for the cause of his people. For these remarkable efforts he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1996 with his countryman, Bishop Carlos Belo. He served as President of the Republic from 2007 until 2012.

After his presidency, Ramos-Horta was called on by former UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki-Moon, to serve as a Special Representative for Guinea Bissau. He later chaired the UN High-Level Panel on Peace Operations and served as External Advisor to the President of the UN General Assembly until 2018.

He has been a Member of the Honorary Advisory Council of the Institute for Global Law and Policy at Harvard University since 2012 and received Doctor Honoris Causa from Universities in Australia, Japan, Korea, Thailand, The Philippines, Brazil, Portugal and the U.S. He writes extensively on international affairs in the media and has authored several books, including Words Of Hope: Speeches, Essays (Longueville Media, 2018).

# Programme

## Introduction

**Henrik Enderlein**

President, Hertie School of Governance

**Richard Kühnel**

Head of Representation of the European Commission in Germany

**Karen Cirillo**

United Nations Development Programme

## Lecture

**H.E. José Ramos-Horta**

Former President of the Republic of Timor-Leste and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate

## Q&A

## Moderator

**Inge Kaul**

Adjunct, Hertie School and former Director of the Human Development Report office of UNDP

*The event will be followed by a reception.*

“We are living in very dangerous times. Right here in the heart of Europe forces of good and of intolerance are on a collision course. Across the English Channel there are forces bent on wrecking a magnificent social, political and security architecture built over many decades pushing Europe towards the abyss of chaos and irrelevance. In the course of over 40 years, starting as an innocent and romantic believer in the promises and possibilities of the United Nations, I have seen the best – when the UN lived up to the expectations of the people it deployed to protect – but also I witnessed or heard heart wrenching stories of shocking betrayals on other front lines. I have engaged with UN personnel in my own country and in remote outposts where dedicated field staff absorb the indifference of headquarters, whose envoys descend to evaluate the mission, yet things stayed the same. The UN can do better. We are all the UN and we can and must do better.”

*José Ramos-Horta*

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## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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