

# **Democratic Transition in Eastern Europe: Romania and Moldova**

With presentations by:

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**Troy colloquium room**

Light refreshments will be available

Almost 18 years after the violent overthrow of Communism, how have Romania and Moldova managed the painful transition to democracy, a civil society and a free market economy?

Veteran reporter and author Alan Elsner recently spent nine months in Bucharest teaching journalism. He examines where Romania has succeeded and failed, and analyzes the challenges still faced by the newest and poorest member of the EU.

Alan Elsner has worked for Reuters for 28 years, serving as the news agency's chief diplomatic correspondent, chief political correspondent and national correspondent. He is author of three books, mostly recently, 'The Nazi Hunter: A Novel.'

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