Learning from the past or repeating mistakes? The policy application of historical analogy

A lecture by Dr Andrew Blick

Join Dr Blick as he discusses the idea that we must ‘learn the lessons of history’, a powerful idea in the contemporary world. Political leaders have always looked to history to inform and help them to explain their decisions. Dr Blick will argue that to be useful in politics and policy making historical analogies must be carefully separated from popular myths and must not be used to give cover to wishful political thinking.

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