

# **COUNTERING AUTHORITARIANISM AND DEMOCRATIC BACKSLIDING**

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The democratic backsliding and authoritarian creep that has taken place in various countries, including the United States, is reversible.



**AUTOCRATS CANNOT KILL  
DEMOCRACY ALONE.  
THEY NEED PEOPLE WHO**





1

Downplay, justify, or  
remain silent about  
anti-democratic behavior.



2

Tolerate, accommodate,  
and even work with  
extremists.



3

Refuse to work with  
partisan rivals, even when  
democracy is at risk.





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