## CEMAT LECTURE SERIES PRESENTS

## PROF. LISA WEDEEN

## IDEOLOGY AND HUMOR IN DARK TIMES: NOTES FROM SYRIA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM CEMAT VILLA 19 BIS, RUE D'ANGLETERRE

Prof. Lisa Wedeen is the Mary R. Morton Professor of Political Science and the College and the Co-Director of the Chicago Center for Contemporary Theory at the University of Chicago. She is the author of *Ambiguities of Domination: Politics, Rhetoric, and Symbols in Contemporary Syria (1999)* and *Peripheral Visions: Publics, Power and Performance in Yemen (2008)* and the pioneering article "Conceptualizing 'Culture': Possibilities for Political Science" (2002) published in the *American Political Science Review*. She is currently working on a book about ideological interpellation, neoliberal autocracy, and generational change in present-day Syria.

The lecture will be held in English. A light reception will follow.