

Who will win in Rio?

Understanding political, economic, and athletic success at the 2016 Olympic Games

**Friday July 8, 2016
10am-12pm
Harvard University
CGIS S-010 (1730 Cambridge St.)**

With the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro quickly approaching, this event will answer many of the questions you may have about the Games.

- Do host cities and countries benefit economically from organizing the Games?
- Does Brazil – mainly known for its soccer successes – have a home-field advantage and is it becoming a sports superpower beyond soccer?
- Which factors determine the successes and failures of countries at this year's Summer Games?
- How can we predict the results of individual Olympic athletes?

Featured speakers:

Dr. Mark Glickman: Senior Lecturer on Statistics, Department of Statistics, Harvard University, and Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Quantitative Analysis of Sports

Stephen Pettigrew: Doctoral candidate in the Harvard Department of Government, IQSS affiliate, and freelance contributor to FiveThirtyEight, Deadspin, and Wall Street Journal

Dr. Danyel Reiche: Associate Professor for Comparative Politics American University of Beirut (AUB), Visiting Scholar IQSS, and author of the book *Success and Failure of countries at the Olympic Games*

Dr. Andrew Zimbalist: Robert A. Woods Professor of Economics at Smith College and author of the book *Circus Maximus: The Economic Gamble Behind Hosting the Olympics and World Cup*

Please contact rio.success.harvard@gmail.com if you have additional questions
Sponsored by the Institute for Quantitative Social Science (IQSS)