

Current Populism in Europe and the Role of the Media

The conference takes place under the auspices of
H.M. Tomáš Zima, the Rector of Charles University

Conference programme

Monday, 22 May

- 9:00 – 9:45 Registration
- 9:45 – 10:00 Opening of the Conference:
Berthold Franke (Director, Goethe-Institut Czech Republic)
Eva van de Rakt (Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung e.V. in Prague)
Martin Mejstřík (Charles University)
- 10:00 – 11:45 **Morning Session:**
Chair + discussant: **Hanspeter Kriesi** (EUI Florence)
Yannis Stavrakakis (Aristotle University, Thessaloniki)
Populism as discourse: Performative mediation and the populism/anti-populism divide
Donatella Campus (University of Bologna)
Pop politics and antipolitics as communication styles for contemporary leadership
Mats Ekström (University of Gothenburg)
Right-wing populism and the news media: A cross-cultural study of populist performances, journalist practices and news discourse
- 11:45 – 12:45 Lunch
- 12:45 – 13:45 Keynote Paper
Nadia Urbinati (Columbia University, New York)
Direct Representation: Populism in the Age of Audience Democracy
- 13:45 – 15:30 **Afternoon Session I: ‘The people’ as a key concept of populism**
Chair + discussant: **Ben Stanley** (SWPS Warsaw)
Emilia Palonen (University of Helsinki)
Debating Populism: beyond demography and institutionalisation
Simona Guerra (University of Leicester) and
Evangelos Fanoulis (Metropolitan University, Prague)
Give me back my Heimat: Populism in Neverland at elections in Europe
Antonio Momoc (University of Bucharest)
Populism 2.0 and the new “enemies of the people”

Afternoon Session II: Brexit populist discourse and the involvement of the media (room 11)

Chair + discussant: **Václav Štětka** (Loughborough University)

Marius Guderjan (Humboldt University, Berlin)

'Brexit populism' – Causes and Consequences

Marzia Maccaferri (Goldsmith, University of London)

Brexit as post-partisan populism? Brexit discourse and the role of the media before and after the referendum

Franco Zappettini (Royal Holloway, University of London)

Power to the people? Mediatizing populist ideologies in the Brexit campaign

Federico Giulio Sicurella (University of Rome Tor Vergata)

In dialogue with populists: a study of intellectual discourse about populism in the Brexit debate in Italy and the UK

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee Break

PUBLIC EVENT

16:00 – 16:15

Opening of the Public Part of the Conference

Berthold Franke (Director, Goethe-Institut Czech Republic)

Martin Kovář (Vice-Rector, Charles University)

Eva van de Rakt (Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung e.V. in Prague)

16:15 – 17:00

Keynote Paper

Wolfgang Merkel (WZB Berlin)

Illiberalism and Populism in East and West

17:00 – 17:15

Coffee Break

17:15 – 17:30

Presentation of the book “Populism in time of crisis” and the special issue of the Czech Journal of Political Science

17:30 – 19:15

Evening Discussion: Populism and Media in Central Europe

Chair: **Václav Štětka** (Loughborough University)

Anna Frenyó (journalist, Hungary and Germany)

Ricardo Gutiérrez (European Federation of Journalists)

Ondřej Houska (Hospodářské noviny)

Wojciech Przybylski (Visegrad Insight)

19:15

Reception

Tuesday, 23 May

- 9:00 – 9:30 Registration
- 9:30 – 10:15 Keynote Paper
Hanspeter Kriesi (EUI Florence)
Revisiting the populist challenge
- 10:15 – 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:30 – 12:15 **Morning Session I: Post-communist populism in CEE countries**
Chair + discussant: **Timofey Agarin** (Queen's University, Belfast)
Ben Stanley (SWPS Warsaw)
Voting Populist or Just Voting for Populists? A Comparative Analysis of Populist Attitudes and Vote Choice in Central and Eastern Europe
Emilia Zankina (American University, Sofia)
Populist Radical Right Parties and the Impact on Policy-Making in Bulgaria
Dimitar Nikolovski (Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw)
Macedonia: A Tale of Two Populisms
Attila Bartha (Hungarian Academy of Sciences and IBS Budapest)
Survival Populism: Discursive Governance in Hungarian Public Policy
- Morning Session II: The USA and the world in the era of post-truth (room 2)**
Chair + discussant: **Peter Učeň** (political analyst, Bratislava)
Jérôme Jamin (University of Liege)
Populism in the United States
Bohdan Szklarski (University of Warsaw)
How populism ends – a lesson from America?
Attila Antal (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest)
Populism and Climate Change in the Era of Post-Truth
Anne-Kathrin Weber (Justus Liebig University, Giessen)
The Relation between Populism and Arendtian Totalitarianism
- 12:15 – 13:15 Lunch
- 13:15 – 15:00 **Afternoon Session I: Populist discourse in Germany and Italy in comparative perspective**
Chair + discussant: **Donatella Campus** (University of Bologna)
Giorgia Bulli (University of Florence)
Old and new populist countries: Italian and German populism
Tim Henrichsen and **Gianluca Piccolino** (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa)
The Public Discourse on the Refugee Crisis and the Role of Populists: Evidence from Germany and Italy
Roberto De Rosa (Tuscia University, Viterbo) and
Dario Quattromani (Roma Tre University)
Populist or Representative Deliberation? Discourses and Contents in the 2016 Italian Constitutional Reform Process
Anna-Maria Schielicke and **Julia Hoffmann** (TU Dresden)
Media Criticism within PEGIDA – Profound or Instrumental?

Afternoon Session II: The mainstreaming of populism and party competition (room 2)

Chair + discussant: **Robert Sata** (CEU Budapest)

Marta Lorimer (London School of Economics and Political Science)

“Ni droite, Ni gauche, Français!” Mainstream populism and the future of Left/Right politics

Yiannos Katsourides (University of Cyprus) and

Elena Pachita (Bowling Green State University)

Normalizing Populist Right Rhetoric: the Case of Cyprus

Caroline Dalmus (University of Fribourg)

Between Polarization and Democratic Duty: How do Competing Parties engage with Populist Issues?

Dominika Kasprowicz (Jagiellonian University, Krakow)

Social Experiment as a Method of Estimating Effects of Populist Communication

15:00 – 15:15

Coffee Break

15:15 – 17:00

Evening Session I: Illiberal democracies in Hungary and Poland compared

Chair + discussant: **Olga Wysocka** (Adam Mickiewicz Institute)

Pál Tamás (Corvinus University, Budapest)

Governance in contemporary Central European populism: ability/non-ability to change of Hungarian and Polish regimes

Attila Ágh (Corvinus University, Budapest)

The “populist explosion” in the West and its effect on the CEE: The Polish and Hungarian populist blind alley compared

Ladislav Cabada (Metropolitan University, Prague)

Anti-modernity as a significant characteristic in the rhetoric of populist politicians and media: the cases of Poland and Hungary

Karolina Gawron-Tabor (University of Torun)

Comparative analysis of the activities of the Hungarian Fidesz and the Polish Law and Justice after coming to power

Evening Session II: Left and Right-wing Populism in the Iberian Peninsula (room 2)

Chair + discussant: **Vlastimil Havlík** (Masaryk University, Brno)

Alexandros Kioupkiolis (Aristotle University, Thessaloniki)

Reflexive technopopulism: Podemos and the search for new left-wing hegemony

Irene Esteban (University of Milan) and

Irene Martin (Autonomous University of Madrid)

Is there a hidden populist right in Spain?

Juan Rodríguez-Teruel and **Oscar Barberà** (University of Valencia)

‘The state against the people’: the populist drift and political mobilization in the Catalan independence movement

José Santana Pereira (University of Lisbon)

No country for populists? The mismatch between the populist media environment and the weak electoral appeal of populists in Portugal

17:00 – 18:45

Final Session: Right/left-wing populism and relationship with the media

Chair + discussant: **Alena Kluknavská** (Masaryk University, Brno)

Giuliano Bobba (University of Turin) and

Cristina Cremonesi (University of Pavia)

The Rise of Populism on Facebook. A Comparative Analysis of Party Communication in France, Italy, and Spain

Věra Stojarová (Masaryk University, Brno)

Populist (Radical Right) and media ring in Visegrad countries

Piotr Podemski (University of Warsaw)

Populism in Old and New Europe: Ideology and the Media in the Five Star Movement and Kukiz'15

Léonie de Jonge (University of Cambridge)

The Populist Right and the Media in the Benelux: Friend or Foe?

18:45 – 19:00 Concluding Remarks

Those interested in participating in the 3rd Prague Populism Conference, please register using the following e-mail address by 19 May: populism@fsv.cuni.cz

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