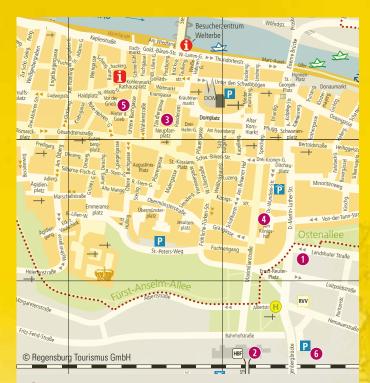
Synopsis

The dream of a united Europe seems to be on the ropes.
Anti-EU platforms are on the rise, producing the first major faits accomplis such as Brexit.

Hungary and Poland are governed by parties that portray Brussels as a second Moscow and oppose the European federalist ideal. Arguably, the most shocking event in this development is the election of a right-wing populist as President of the United States. The big-tent parties in Europe, which have so far maintained the post-war liberal order, have found no effective antidote to the wave of populism. In the post-socialist countries, the democratic achievements since 1989 seem under threat by policies that draw a clear line between "us" and "them", foster hatred and offer easy solutions to complex problems. However, populism also indicates wide-spread frustration about inequality and alienation under the current capitalist system.

This year's conference of the Graduate School, organized jointly with the School of Slavonic and East European Studies (SSEES, UCL) will put populism in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe in perspective: it will draw comparisons with other regions of the world and elucidate the contexts of populist politics. The four panels of this interdisciplinary conference will engage with the languages of populism; the typologies of populist politics; the historical trajectories of populism in the region; and populist subjectivities. In a public roundtable, journalists reporting from the region will discuss the causes and likely consequences of populist politics (in German). The keynote speakers are: John B. Judis, Michał Krzyżanowski, Jan Kubik and Gwendolyn Sasse.

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CENTRAL, EAST AND SOUTHEAST EUROPEAN POPULISM IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE



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THURSDAY, JUNE 1

18.00

Opening

Ulf Brunnbauer (Regensburg) and Martin Schulze Wessel (Munich)

18.30 - 20.00

Keynote 1: The Populist Explosion: How the Great Recession Transformed American and European Politics

John B. Judis (Washington)
Chair: Ger Duijzings (Regensburg)

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

THE LANGUAGE OF POPULISM

9.30-10.30

Keynote 2: Populism in/and Politicisation and Mediatisation of Immigration: The Case of the 'Refugee Crisis'

Michał Krzyżanowski (Örebro)

Coffee break

10.45-12.45

Daniel Weiss (Zurich)

How (not) to Recognise Populist Discourse? A Glance at East European Varieties

Tanja Zimmermann (Leipzig)

'Alternative' Histories in Fake Environments

Peter Zusi (London)

The Literature of Dark Charisma: Hermann Broch and Viktor Dyk

Chair: Björn Hansen (Regensburg)

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TYPOLOGIES OF POPULISM

14.00 – 15.00

Keynote 3: How Distinctive a Phenomenon is East European Populism?

Gwendolyn Sasse (Berlin)

15.00-17.45

Eric Gordy (London)

"Don't Mourn, Balkanize":

What the Post-Democratic West Can Learn from the Balkans

Martin Mejstřík (Prague)

Current Populism in Central East Europe.

Threat to Liberal Democracy?

Coffee break

Alan Sikk (London)

Populist Parties and Other Creatures: Towards a Typology of 'Populism' in Central and Eastern Europe

Florian Bieber (Graz)

Populism at the European Periphery:

Negotiating Popular and External Legitimacy

Chair: Melanie Arndt (Regensburg)

18.00-19.30

Öffentliches Podiumsgespräch in deutscher Sprache:
Das Ende der Liberalen Ordnung? Zentral-, Ost- und
Südosteuropäischer Populismus im Vergleich

Andreas Ernst (Belgrad/Zürich), Boris Schumatsky (Berlin) und Reinhold Vetter (Warschau/Berlin)

Moderation: Marie-Janine Calic (München)

Conference venue: Landshuter Str. 4, room 319 (3rd floor)

The conference language is English.

Only the public round table on Friday evening will be in German. For attending the Graduate School's Fourth Annual Conference please register until May 22, 2017: graduiertenschule@ur.de



HISTORICAL TRAJECTORIES

9.00 - 10.00

Keynote 4: Beyond Populist Politics: Communities of Despair, Rudderless Lives, and Cultures of Redemption

Jan Kubik (London)

Coffee break

10.15-12.15

Egbert Klautke (London)

Antisemitism, Charisma, Infrastructure:

Karl Lueger and the Invention of Populism in Vienna 1900

Elizabeth White (Bristol)

'Narodnichestvo' and 'neo-narodnichestvo': Revolutionary Populism in Russian, Soviet and Eastern European History

Balázs Trencsényi (Budapest)

Comparing Populist Discourses in East Central Europe in the Twentieth Century — Continuities, Contexts, and Typologies

Chair: Martin Schulze Wessel (Munich)

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POPULIST SUBJECTIVITIES

13.15-15.15

Ger Duijzings (Regensburg)

Smears and Insults: Performative Acts of Denigrating Others

Margit Feischmidt (Budapest)

Policing of Borders, Production of Boundaries:

Structural, Political and Cultural Conditions of Anti-Migrant Mobilization in Rural Hungary

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Don Kalb (Budapest/Utrecht)

From Populist Reason to the Rationality of Populists

Cathrine Thorleifsson (Oslo)

In Pursuit of Purity: Understanding the Appeal of UKIPs Populism in Precarious England

Chair: Čarna Brković (Regensburg)

15.30-16.00

Concluding discussion

