

Workshop

IDENTITY POLITICS AND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ILLIBERAL STATE

31st May – 1st of June, CEU, Budapest

Convenors: Renata Uitz and András Sajó

Friday 31st of May

8.45 Coffee Monument Building Popper Room

9.15-9.30 Introductory remarks Matthias Mahlmann, University of Zurich

9.30 – 13.00 Panel 1 [Chair: András Sajó, CEU]

Constitution and Political Identity Theory in Light of Populism

Moshe Halbertal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem/NYU Nationalism, Identity and Liberalism

Frank Schorkopf, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Identity politics – a threat to liberal democracy and an appeal to representative government,

Comment: Stephen Holmes, NYU

Coffee Break 11.00 – 11.30

11.30 – 13.00 Panel 2 [Chair: Andreas Müller, University of Innsbruck]

European identity?

András Sajó, CEU The Dangers of Constitutional Identity

Renata Uitz, CEU Persecution Narratives as Identity Claims: Mobilizing Christianity to Dismantle Europe

Comment: Michel Rosenfeld, Cardozo School of Law

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 – 17.00

Panel 3 [Chair: Maria Bertel, University of Innsbruck/CEU]

Identity psychology and identity as mobilization – theoretical insights and specific cases

Aleksandra Cichocka, University of Kent Populism as identity politics: Perceived ingroup disadvantage, collective narcissism and support for populism

Comment: Frank Furedi, University of Kent

Mireia Grau Creus, Institut d'Estudis Autònoms Populism in multinational democracies. Evidence from Spain

Susanna Mancini, University of Bologna Neo-Patriarchal Fantasies: The Construction of “Gender Theory” as a Threat to National Identity

Comment: Mathias Möschel, CEU

Rejoinder: Frank Furedi, University of Kent

Coffee Break 15.20 – 15.40

Saturday, 1st of June

10.00 – 12.45

Panel 4 [Chair: Eszter Polgári, CEU]

Identity politics: an imperative of nationhood or a recipe for populist illiberalism?

Andrew Arato, New School New York Populism and authoritarianism

Paul Blokker, University of Bologna Populist Counter-Constitutionalism, Conservatism, and Legal Fundamentalism

Comment: Nenad Dimitrijevic, CEU

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General Discussion