

POPULISM, NATIONALISM AND HUMAN RIGHTS

11&12 January 2018

Venue: Faculty of Law, Bouillonstraat 1-3, Maastricht

Day 1	11 January 2018
9.00	Welcome address by Prof Jan Smits, Dean of the Faculty of Law, Maastricht University
9.15-10.15	Keynote lecture 1 by Prof Theo van Boven, Emeritus Professor of Public International Law, Maastricht University <i>Populism and Universal Human Rights</i>
10.30-12.00	Plenary panel 1
12.00-13.00	Lunch
13.00-14.30	Plenary panel 2
14.45-16.30	Parallel panels 3 and 4
16.45-17.45	Keynote lecture 2 by Prof Jean d'Aspremont, Professor of International Law, Sciences Po Paris and the University of Manchester <i>International (Human Rights) Law as a Belief System</i>
19.30	Conference dinner

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Day 2 12 January 2018

9.00-10.45 Parallel Panels 5 and 6

11.00-12.00 Keynote lecture 3
Prof Başak Çalı, Professor of International Law, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin
The Specter of Populism on Human Rights Law: the cases of UK and Turkey

12.00-13.00 Lunch

13.00-14.45 Parallel Panels 7 and 8

15.00-16.00 Roundtable followed by final remarks
Discussants: Prof Theo van Boven, Prof Başak Çalı, Prof Jean d'Aspremont, Prof Cees Flinterman
Moderator: Prof Jure Vidmar

16.00 Closing

<p>Panels on 11 January 2018</p>

Plenary Panel 1: 10.30-12.00
Chair: Jure Vidmar (Maastricht University)

Otto Spijkers (Utrecht University)
Right to political participation in an illiberal democracy

Erica Howard (Middlesex University)
Political rhetoric: hate speech versus freedom of expression

Josip Kregar (University of Zagreb)
Modern political populism: assessment and trends



Plenary Panel 2: 13.00-14.30

Chair: Fons Coomans (Maastricht University)

Rick Lawson (Leiden University)

Populism, pluralism and the European Court of Human Rights

Amrei Muller (Queen's University Belfast)

The rise of authoritarianism in Russia: Can the ECtHR make a difference?

Christopher Giogios (Giessen University)

Extreme political parties under German constitutional law

Panel 3: 14.45-16.30

Chair: Laura Visser (Maastricht University)

Laura Henderson (The Utrecht Centre for Global Challenges of the University of Utrecht)

Populism as a Counter-Nationalist Strategy

Yota Negishi (Seinan Gakuin University, Fukuoka)

Fraternité Redivivus? Human Rights as Populist Potentiality

Vandana Singh (USLLS, GGSIP University, New Delhi)

The right to political participation: recent trends in world's democracy

Clare Frances Moran (Edinburgh Napier University)

The limits of populist free speech

Panel 4: 14.45-16.30

Chair: Sarah McGibbon (Maastricht University)

Ravindra Pratap (South Asian University, New Delhi)

Killing people for saving cows

Eduardo Gill-Pedro (Lund University)

The reflexive identity of the people and act of claiming human rights

Gustavo Arosemena (Maastricht University)

Human Rights: from compromise to mobilization and back again?

Carola Lingaas (University of Oslo)

Judicial recognition of the identity-based nature of genocide

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Panel 5: 9.00-10.45**Chair: Wim Muller (Maastricht University)**

Marina Bán (Asser Institute)

Building the Illiberal State Using the Memory of Communism: the Case of Hungary

Anna Glogowska-Balcerzak (University of Lodz, Women's Rights Center)

Populism and women's rights in Poland

Anna Wojcik (Polish Academy of Sciences)

Law on pensions of former "employees of the totalitarian state" in Poland: populist anti-communism and social rights

Georgios Karakasis (Donostia-San Sebastián)

*Rethinking neo-fascism in the modern globalized society***Panel 6: 9.00-10.45****Chair: Jennifer Sellin (Maastricht University)**

Kevin Crow (University of Halle)

Human rights and the fluctuation of executive powers in the United States from Nixon to Trump

Leonardo Castilho (Graduate Institute, Geneva)

United States human rights diplomacy in Trumpian times: the abandon of the hegemon

Natalie Alkiviadou (University of Central Lancashire Cyprus)

Combating hate speech and hate crime through international, European and national law: Greece, England and Wales

Gurujit Singh (GGSIIP University New Delhi)

Hate Speech and Human Right Violation in Cyberspace: Regulatory Challenges and Solutions

Panel 7: 13.00-14.45

Chair: Amrei Müller (Queens Belfast)

Reto Walther (University of Zurich)

Switzerland's sacred popular sovereignty in danger of abuse?

Stoyan Panov (University College Freiburg)

Lessons from the effect of populism on the rule of law in Central and Eastern Europe

Luigi Lonardo (King's College London)

Enough about 'populism'

Aydin Atilgan (Near East University, Turkey)

Law, social cohesion and regression of democracy in Turkey

Karolina Podstawa (Maastricht University)

Buying popular support? Social and economic rights in the context of the Polish liberal v conservative power struggle

Panel 8: 13.00-14.45

Chair: Cees Flinterman (Maastricht University)

Emma Irving (Leiden University) & Kushtrim Istrefi (Riga Graduate School of Law)

Protecting LGBT rights in the populist era: A comment on Bayev v Russia before the ECtHR

Tatiana Sveshnikova (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)

Populist challenge to the mechanism of the ECHR

Jerfi Uzman (Leiden University)

Populism, Emotionalism and the Rational (European) Human Rights Paradigm

Vladislava Stoyanova (Lund University)

Populism, exceptionality and the rights of migrants under the ECHR

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