

Racism, Antisemitism and the Radical Right

Whitney Humanities Center
Yale University

Sunday 9/10

Welcome by Organizers and Dean (8:45-9:15am)

Panel 1: Border Crossings (9:15-10:45am)

Chair: Matthew Frye Jacobson, Yale University

Anton Shekhovtsov, Institute for Human Sciences, Austria - The Far-Right Front of Russian Active Measures in the West

Daniel Hummel, University of Wisconsin-Madison - Reconciliation or Realpolitik? The Alliance between the American and Israeli Right

Geoff Eley, University of Michigan - Anxiety about Borders: Refugees, Migrancy, and the Radical-Nationalist Imaginary

Break (10:45-11am)

Keynote (11-12pm)

Howard Winant, UC Santa Barbara- Working for the Clampdown

Lunch Break (12-1:30pm)

Panel 2: Intellectual Roots of Radical Right (1:30-3pm)

Chair: Marci Shore, Yale University

Joseph Lowndes, University of Oregon- Middle American Radicalism to Racial Rule: Sam Francis and the Political Formation of Trumpism

Manuela Consonni, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem - Julius Evola and the Racist Right between Past and Present: A Reassessment

Jeffrey Alexander, Yale University - Raging against the Enlightenment: The Ideology of Steve Bannon

Break (3-3:30pm)

Panel 3: The Politics of Hate (3:30-5pm)

Chair: Nancy Khalil, Yale University

Balbir K. Singh, University of Texas at Austin- The Quotidian Violence of Islamophobia

Algernon Austin, Demos - Xenophobia, Islamophobia, Racism and the "Post-Racial" Presidency

Kathleen Belew, University of Chicago - Bring the War Home: The White Power Movement and Paramilitary America

Monday September 11

Coffee, light breakfast (8:30-9am)

Panel 4: Antisemitism on the Right (9-10:15am)

Chair: Adam Stern, Yale University

Mark Weitzman, Simon Wiesenthal Center - Beyond Denial: Holocaust Distortion in the Service of a New Nationalism

David Hirsh, Goldsmiths, University of London - What Can a Study of the Mainstreaming of Antisemitism on the Left Teach Us about the New Right Wing Populisms?

Break (10:15-10:30am)

Panel 5: Europe's New Nationalisms (10:30-12:15pm)

Chair: Carolyn Dean, Yale University

Cecile Alduy, Stanford University - The New Faces of Racism and Antisemitism in France: The National Front, Mainstream Xenophobia and The Alt Right Galaxy

Aleksandra Gliszczyńska-Grabias, Institute of Law Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences - "National Rebirth of Poland" after the 2015 Elections – Inviting Xenophobes and Racists into the Mainstream of Public Life

Marcus Funck, Zentrum für Antisemitismusforschung, TU Berlin - 'The Widening of the Thin Line' Antisemitism and Racism in Germany's 'New Right'

Lunch (12:15-1:15pm)

Panel 6: Religion, Racism, and Populism (1:15-2:45pm)

Chair: Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Erdoan Shipoli, Georgetown University- Securitization of Religion in post-Cold War America

Arvind Rajagopal, NYU - Religious Populism and Communism's Afterlife: Thinking through the Long Half-Century of the Cold War

Federico Finchelstein, New School for Social Research – Populism, Racism and Antisemitism in History

Break (2:45-3:15pm)

Panel 7: Populism and its Discontents (3:15-4:45pm)

Chair: Daniel Martinez HoSang, Yale University

Brendan McGeever, Birkbeck, University of London- Brexit, Class, Racism, Crisis

Ferruh Yılmaz, Tulane University- The Elite and Media Response to Populist Interventions

David Seymour, City Law School, University of London - 'The People' and its 'Enemies': The Personalizing of Politics in an Age of Reaction

Break (4:45-5pm)

Keynote (5 -6 pm)

Timothy Snyder, Yale University – On Tyranny