

Programme

Critiques of Liberalism and Challenges to Democracy: Understanding the Conservative Standpoint

Research Workshop – COST Action CA 16211 RECAST
Working Group 2: *Languages and Ideologies*

Department of Politics and International Relations, Faculty of Arts, University of West Bohemia,
Sedláčková 15, 30100 Plzeň (Pilsen)
14–15 February 2019

Thursday, 14 February

9.00 *Welcome*

9.15 – 10.45 Session 1. Conservatism: Concepts and Definitions. Chair: Rosario López

Tamás Nyirkos (Pázmány Péter Catholic University), *Three Conservative Paradoxes*

Paul Gunn (Goldsmiths, University of London), *The Conservative Fear of Unintended Consequences*

Alon Shalev (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), *Conservatism as Political Perception*

10.45 – 11.15 *Coffee break*

11.15-12.45 Session 2. Conservatism and Radicalism. Chair: Lenka Strnadová

Tobias Adler-Bartels (University of Göttingen), *Radical Conservatism as a Challenge for German Liberal Democracy: The Metapolitical Attack on Liberal Conservatism in the 1970s and 80s*

Sandra Štollová (University of West Bohemia), *The Grand Shift of German Conservatism: From Conservative to Völkisch Standpoint*

Ladislav Cabada (Metropolitan University Prague), *Nativism in Contemporary Populist Conservatism: The Case Study of Slovenia*

12.45 – 14.00 *Lunch*



14.00 – 15.30 Session 3. Conservatism's Encounters and Interactions. Chair: José María Rosales

Nathan Alexander (University of Erfurt), *I'm the Least Racist Person Anybody is Going to Meet': Conservative Responses to the Charges of 'Racism' and 'Prejudice' in American History*

Konstantinos Bizas (University of Jyväskylä), *J. G. A. Pocock's Early Interests in the Conservative Scholarship*

Benjamin Thomas (University of Nottingham), *Conservatism in the Age of Neo-liberalisation*

15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 – 17.30 Session 4. Conservatism and Nation-building. Chair: Přemysl Rosůlek

Martin Beckstein (University of Zurich) *Integrative Collective Identity as Noble Lie? Fukuyama's Proposal to Moderate the New Culture Wars*

Tuukka Brunila (University of Helsinki), *The Return of Democratic Legitimacy: Carl Schmitt and the Crisis of Liberal Democracy*

Pedro Miguel Martins (CEPS, University of Minho), *Local Warming: The Case for Environmental Conservatism on Roger Scruton*

19.00 Dinner

Friday, 15 February

9.00 – 10.30 Session 5. Liberalism as a Challenge to Conservatism. Chair: Lenka Strnadová

Victor Rizescu (University of Bucharest), *Right-wing Liberalism and the Modernist Right: Two Intermingling Romanian Venues of the Modernizer Drive in a Comparative Perspective*

Benjamin Schvarcz (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Kohelet Policy Forum, and Eastern R&D Center), *Conservatism versus Liberalism in Israeli Constitutional Debates*

Eno Trimčev (University of Greifswald), *Some Newish Thoughts on the Old Quarrel between Conservatism and Liberalism*

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 – 12.30 Session 6. Far-right & Democratic Politics. Chair: Petr Krčál

Christian Egander Skov (NTNU, Trondheim), *From Processual to Substantial Democracy*

Torbjörn Nilsson (Södertörn University, Stockholm), *Conservatives at the Crossroads: Co-operating or Resisting Extremism and Populism?*

Nuno Morgado (Charles University, Prague), *Conservatism versus Far-right: Examining the Ideology of Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro*

12.45-14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.30 Session 7. Conservative Discourse Practices. Chair: Rosario López

Přemysl Rosůlek (University of West Bohemia), *'In the Name of Christianity!': Islamophobia & Reasoning of the Czech and Slovak Political Elites during current 'Migration Crisis'*

Ondřej Stulík (University of West Bohemia), *Democratic Norms Preservation: A Problem with Populism in the Recall Case*

Pavol Hardoš (Comenius University in Bratislava), *The Grammar of Anti-gender Reaction in Slovak Conservatism*

15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 – 17.00 Concluding remarks and further planning

Organisers

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