

IUC Dubrovnik – European Identity

Constellation of Europe

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Course description

In times of multiple crisis which the world faces since the beginning of the 21st century the self understanding of a European modernity is once again on the agenda.

It seems that Europe is not only once again on a turning point since 1989, but that the diverse effects of the crisis: war, terror, social injustice, migration and refugee movements on a massive scale, recurring ideologies like nationalism, antisemitism, racism, sexism and homophobia question the fundamental framework of Europe.

All these events question the self understanding of Europe and to question to the same time our concepts and ideas: Can they correspond and understand what is happening or do we have to rethink them in the light of recent events, or does the crises highlight their constitutive weakness which comes through the crises to the fore?

In the course, we will discuss the importance of common European values, social justice, the idea of federalism, the emergence of populism and nationalism.

Program

Mon 2/9

9.30 am – 1.30 pm

Goran Gretič, University of Zagreb: Nietzsche – Democracy, Ressentment and Europe

Waltraud Meints, University of Applied Sciences Niederrhein: Autonomy as an act of liberation

Lana Zdravković, Peace Institute, Ljubljana: Politics, emancipation and equality: What kind of revolution is possible today?

Tue 3/9

9.30 am – 1.30 pm

Zoran Kurelić, University of Zagreb: Illiberal Democracy as an Anti-Enlightenment Project.

Pero Mrnarević, University of Zagreb: Brian Barry's Concept of Social Justice

Sabine Stadler, Vienna, Right-wing memories of CROAT People in AUSTRIA

Wed 4/9

9.30 am – 1.30 pm

Rafael Kasper, Universidade Federal Rio Grande do Sul: Experiencing the crisis of Europe

Vlasta Jalušič, Peace Institute, Ljubljana: The Break in Tradition: Arendt and Conceptual Change (paper and project presentation)

Gorazd Kovačič, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Arts, Department of Sociology: Non-essentialist understanding of Arendt's concepts: the case of society

Thu 5/9

9.30 am – 1.30 pm

Helgard Mahrtdt, University Oslo: Living in a global present – roots, identity, and communication: The Arendtian Perspective

Iana Lepetiukhina, RWTH Aachen: The Role of Fear in Public Space

Ourania Mavronykti, Free University Berlin: Conscious responsibility in Hannah Arendt's theory

Fri 6/9

10 am – 12 pm

Wolfgang Heuer, Free University Berlin: Cosmos and republic - A Hidden Dialogue between Hannah Arendt and Alexander von Humboldt