

# Intellectuals against Liberal Democracy. Academia, Media, and Culture - Program

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## ABSTRACT

*Intellectuals against liberal democracy. Academia, media, and culture, Paris IAS, 2-3 June 2022 - Program*

Workshop organized by Valentin Behr, résident 2021-2022 Paris IAS and Simon Massei, Université libre de Bruxelles, with the support of Paris IAS and CESSP.

## Program

**2 June 2022**

### **Panel 1 (9h30-13h) : The formation and circulation of illiberal ideas**

Chair : **Valentin Behr** (Paris IAS)

Discussant : **Laure Neumayer** (Université de Picardie Jules Verne)

**Aron Buzogany** (BOKU Vienna) and **Mihai Varga** (FU Berlin): The defenders of Western civilization: Assembling Europe's transnational right-wing network

**Chloé Kattar** (EUME, Berlin): Right-Wing Lebanese Intellectuals in Transnational Networks During the Lebanese Civil War.

**Simon Ridley** (Université Paris-Ouest Nanterre): Extreme-Anti-Public Intellectuals: Hans Herman Hoppe and the 'Physical Removal' from the Libertarian Order

**Marlène Laruelle** (George Washington University): Mapping Illiberal Production in a Russian Context: Bottom Up and Top Down.

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**Eva Pils** (King's College London, EURICS): Defending 'rule by virtue' in Xi Jinping's 'New Era' China: a discussion of anti-liberal establishment intellectuals amongst Chinese legal academics.

## **Panel 2 (14-17h): Illiberal intellectuals figures**

Chair : **Simon Massei** (ULB)

Discussant : **Wiebke Keim** (Université de Strasbourg)

**Fabio De Sa E Silva** (University of Oklahoma) : From Car Wash to Bolsonaro: Law and Lawyers in Brazil's Illiberal Turn (2014–2018).

**David Swartz** (Boston University) : Conservative Divisions within the US Academy: Trumpists versus Conservative Anti-Trumpers.

**Valentin Behr** (Paris IAS): Uniting the Right through ideas? Metapolitics at the transnational level.

**Juliette Faure** (Sciences Po, CERI): Re-enchanting the Soviet modernity: Russian modernist conservatives and the 'spiritualization of technology' in the 1970s.

## **Roundtable (17h15-18h45): Une « droitisation » des espaces politiques ? Comprendre la montée de l'illibéralisme et de l'extrême-droite**

Chair : **Valentin Behr** and **Simon Massei**

With : **Béatrice Hibou** (CNRS, Sciences Po/CERI), **Marlène Laruelle** (George Washington University), **Nicolas Lebourg** (Université de Montpellier)

**3 June 2022**

## **Panel 3 (9h30-13h): Illiberal media and social movements**

Chair : **James F. Hollifield** (SMU, Paris IAS)

Discussant : **Simon Massei** (ULB)

**Natasza Quelvennec** (EHESS, CESSP): A conservative think tank at war against gender in Poland. Sociology of a militant expertise.

**Jérôme Pacouret** (CESSP): YouTube and the extension of the domain of conservative news and ideas: the case of the French far right news magazine Valeurs actuelles.

**Ève Gianoncelli** (Maison française d'Oxford): Cultural Warriors and Anti-Feminism.

**Bruno Ronchi** (Université Rennes-1): Olavo de Carvalho and the Traditionalist influence on the structuring of Bolsonarism.

**Concluding remarks and brainstorming (14h-16h)**