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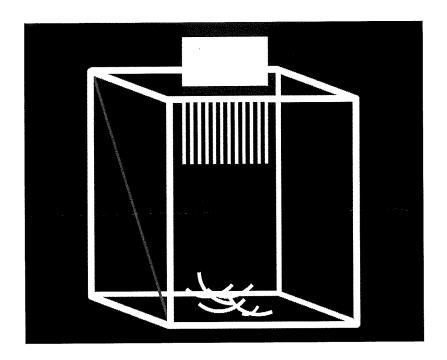
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## "Illiberal Democracy"? Poland in Comparative, European Perspective



# International Conference Oxford, 3 – 4 MARCH 2017 ST ANTONY'S COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

The conference is a part of the project "Knowledge Bridges Between Poland, Britain, and Europe" which is supported by the Noble Foundation's Programme on Modern Poland. The supervising Fellow is Professor Timothy Garton Ash, Professor of European Studies and Isaiah Berlin Professorial Fellow, St. Antony's College. The co-Directors of the project are Dr Jaroslaw Kuisz and Dr Karolina Wigura. The partners of the Project include University of Warsaw, Collegium Civitas in Warsaw, and Kultura Liberalna Foundation.

#### Friday, 3rd March - Kołakowski Lecture

16:30

Pre-lecture tea and coffee

Location: Senior Common Room (top floor of Hilda Besse Building)

17.00

LESZEK KOŁAKOWSKI LECTURE: Wolfgang Merkel (WZB Berlin Social Science Centre)

Defective Democracies? The case of Poland in European comparison

Chair: Timothy Garton Ash (St Antony's College, Oxford)

Location: Nissan Lecture Theatre

18:45

Pre-dinner drinks

Location: Senior Common Room (top floor of Hilda Besse Building)

19:15

High Table dinner

Dining Hall (1st floor, Hilda Besse Building)

Dessert usually concludes by 21:00/21:15

#### Saturday, March 4th - Conference

Venue: European Studies Centre

St. Antony's College

70 Woodstock Road, 0X2 6HR

08:30

Coffee

9.00-10.30

Panel 1: What Distinguishes Illiberal from Liberal Democracy?

Michael Freeden (University of Oxford and SOAS, University of London)

Jacques Rupnik (College of Europe, Paris)

Zdzisław Krasnodębski (University of Bremen, MEP)

Chair: Zofia Stemplowska (Worcester College, Oxford)

10:30-11:00

Coffee

11.00-12.30

Panel 2: Who Defends the Constitution and the Rule of Law?

Adam Bodnar (Polish Ombudsman)

Marta Bucholc (Käte Hamburger Kolleg "Recht als Kultur", Bonn,

Kultura Liberalna, Warsaw)

Gábor Attila Tóth (University Budapest, University of Debrecen)

Christopher Lord (ARENA Centre for European Studies, Oslo)

Chair: Radosław Zubek (Hertford College, Oxford)

12:45-14:00

Lunch in the European Studies Common Room

14.15-15.45

Panel 3: Does Economic Neoliberalism lead to Illiberal Democracy?

Philipp Ther (Universtity of Vienna)

Joanna Tyrowicz (University of Warsaw)

Yaprak Gursoy (Istanbul Bilgi University, St Antony's College, University of Oxford)

Chair: David Priestland (St Edmund's Hall, Oxford)

15.45-16:45

Panel 4: Concluding Discussion with contributions from:

Chair: Timothy Garton Ash (St Antony's College, Oxford)

Norman Davies (St Antony's College, Oxford), Jan Kubik (UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies),

Anna Zalewska (University of Bath), Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Krzysztof Bobiński

#### **ABSTRACTS**

#### LESZEK KOŁAKOWSKI LECTURE

#### **WOLFGANG MERKEL**

WZB Berlin Social Science Centre

The Spread of Defective Democracies: The Case of Poland in Comparative Perspective

In 1989, Francis Fukuyama published his essay "The End of History", where he diagnosed the final triumph of capitalism and liberal democracy. One year later, the Norwegian-American rational choice theorist Jon Elster spoke of "The Necessity and Impossibility of Simultaneous Economic and Political Reform" in post-communist Europe and predicted the failure of transitions to democracy in the region. Ten years later, Freedom House counted 121 electoral democracies around the globe – more than ever before. By 2000, Poland's and Hungary's democracies seemed to have been consolidated – faster than any of the so-called third-wave democracies. To many observers, this was another proof of Fukuyama's Hegelian prediction.

However, another ten (in the Polish case, fifteen) years later, nationalist and illiberal governments were elected in Hungary and Poland in free and fair elections and began to dismantle crucial liberal elements of democracy. The Hungarian prime minister spoke proudly of constructing an "illiberal democracy". Was Jon Elster ultimately right? Are we now witnessing the emergence of non-liberal majoritarian "defective democracies" in Eastern Europe? Is the virus of illiberal populism spreading also throughout the Western Atlantic world? The lecture will try to give theoretically grounded and empirically founded answers to one of the most eminent political questions of our times with particular attention to the recent developments in Poland and Hungary.

#### **PANELS**

#### **MARTA BUCHOLC**

Käte Hamburger Kolleg "Recht als Kultur", Bonn, Kultura Liberalna, Warsaw Utopian Conservatist Legal Culture

Over slightly more than a year, Polish democracy has made its way from jurisprudential debates about legality of certain political acts through philosophical disputes about sources and legitimation of power up to a point where an argument engaging with normative notions seems no longer possible. It is the order of facts and not the order of reasons that currently governs the country's politics. The authority of the law in general and the constitution in particular has certainly suffered badly in the process. Nevertheless, it is time to state the sociological problem underpinning the nexus of law and politics clearly: what kind of legal culture made recent developments in Poland possible and in what direction this legal culture is evolving now, as we speak? Those who make it their business

to worry about the state of democracy in Poland need to look deeper into the society which, contrary to the letter of its own constitution, seems to care little about the rule of law.

#### MICHAEL FREEDEN

University of Oxford and SOAS, University of London Liberalisms and illiberalisms within liberal democracy

The notion of liberal democracy possesses multiple interpretations in current political language pulling in different directions and consequently acting on diverse ideological positions. We cannot sharply dichotomize liberalisms and illiberalisms except as an abstract exercise that has no bearing on political realities. Often the presumed boundaries between the two categories are blurred, as 'ideal types' clash with more complex practices that challenge the so-called 'integrity' of liberal and progressive discourse, and that is evident across different European political cultures. Hence there are many understandings of 'illiberalism' inside what we assume are liberal democracies, not only outside it, and potentially 'illiberal' understandings often infect mainstream political discourse on issues such as majoritarianism, popular will and the relationships between state and government.

#### **GÁBOR ATTILA TÓTH**

University Budapest, University of Debrecen

Constitutional Adjudication in Authoritarian Regimes

After many waves of democratic transitions, authoritarian tendencies have appeared again in Europe and beyond. The cases of Turkey, several former Soviet republics, Poland, Hungary and some other countries represent such a scenario, where we do not witness transformation towards, but rather away from constitutional democracy.

The objective of this presentation is to contribute to the assessment of the emergence of the new authoritarian regimes. I first briefly summarize some common elements of contemporary authoritarianism. Cases from Azerbaijan and Belarus to Turkey and Venezuela demonstrate that when a populist leader gains concentrated power, a reshaped constitution become solely "semantic camouflage" or "façade constitution." As regards key legislative, executive and judicial bodies, authoritarian constitutions typically do not serve as normative benchmarks; they are only descriptive maps of powers. Moreover, constitutions may be only a paper facade, because all political power resides with the leader(s) of the ruling party. In order to understand how the country is really governed, the actual political exercise must be examined.

Second, I offer some case studies to demonstrate that modern authoritarianism alters, but does not abolish the entire set of judicial institutions associated with liberal democracy, yet these serve as either a tool of authoritarian imposition (the Russian Constitutional Court), or a façade of constitutionalism (the Hungarian Constitutional Court and the Polish Tribunal). A typical justification of this kind of change is that the representative government gives the majority of people what they want instead of the former counter-majoritarian activity of unelected courts. Less legal ties mean, however, that not only judiciary but also democratic parliamentary institutions are subverted. I argue that the lack of institutional limits on a majoritarian government does not simply result in the emergence of a so-called "illiberal democracy". This model is not only illiberal, but also undemocratic.

#### **YAPRAK GURSOY**

Istanbul Bilgi University, St Antony's College, University of Oxford **Promoting Neoliberalism in Populist and non-European Contexts** 

Neoliberalism is being widely criticized by European populist parties, which either advocate stronger welfare states that would benefit the natives of the homeland (the "extreme right" version) or obliterating neoliberalism throughout the continent altogether (the "extreme left" version). The opposition to these forces has also begun to see neoliberalism as the root cause of the rise of populist parties in Europe especially since the economic crisis of 2008. Yet, the connection between neoliberalism and populism outside of Europe is not as straightforward. Especially in countries where economic prosperity is still a main issue, populist leaders implement neoliberal principles, including privatization and deregulation, and at least in rhetoric proudly announce that they are decreasing the state's involvement in the markets. Populist leaders, who pose as "self-made men", promise to their constituencies the possibility of similar enrichment through entrepreneurship. Neoliberalism, thus, becomes

the pledge, not the enemy. This reverse connection between neoliberalism and populism is evident in countries outside of Europe, ranging from the USA to Thailand. The talk will make references to several countries and focus in particular on Turkey.

#### **CHRISTOPHER LORD**

ARENA Centre for European Studies, Oslo
Using Democratic Auditing to Defend Democracy

I argue that democracies need to be able to assess the democratic quality of their own political systems. More controversially, democracies cannot avoid assessing the democratic quality of other political systems. I defend democratic auditing as the most justifiable way of combining those two aims. In an ideal world, each political system purporting to be a democracy would assess itself using democratic auditing. The methods used in democratic auditing provide a defensible combination of general standards and local judgements on the application of those standards. How well any one country conducts its own democratic audit would be transparent enough to outsiders to allow an external assessment of its internal assessment. But how to start the ball rolling towards a world in which each political system conducts its own credible and transparent self-assessment? Paradoxically, I argue, the best way to start may be with countries that least need democratic audits: regular, rigorous and self-critical assessments by a few countries may raise questions why others are unwilling to follow suit.

#### **BIO NOTES**

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#### **ADAM BODNAR**

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He graduated from the faculty of Law and Administration at the University of Warsaw and also from LL.M. programme in the field of comparative constitutional law at Central European University in Budapest. In 2006 he was awarded PhD degree at University of Warsaw in the field of constitutional law. His PhD thesis entitled: "Multi-level society in the European constitutional sphere" was awarded with honourable mention in the competition organized by Przegląd Sejmowy (Parliamentary Review).

In 2004-15 Adam Bodnar worked for Helsinki Foundation of Human Rights, firstly as a co-founder and coordinator of Precedent Cases Programme and then as a head of legal department and vice-president of the Management Board. He is also an expert in the Agency of Fundamental Rights of European Union. In 2013-2014 Bodnar was a member of the board of directors of the United Nations Fund for Victims of Torture. In 2001-2004 he worked as a lawyer in Weil, Gotshal & Mangers law firm. Since 2006 he has been giving lectures at the law and administration department of the University of Warsaw.

Until the time of assuming the post of Ombudsman, Adam Bodnar, PhD cooperated with various non-governmental organizations, including Panaptykon Fund (chairman of the Foundation Council), ClientEarth Polska (member of the Programme Council), Prof. Zbigniew Hołda Association (co-founder and the member of the Management Board). He was also a member of the Civic Legislation Forum operating at Batory Foundation and of the editorial team of kulturaliberalna.pl.

In 2011 he was awarded with the Tolerance Prize by the Polish LGBT organizations. In 2013 he received a scholarship within the scope of German Marshall Memorial Fellowship programme.

With an approval of 67 non-governmental organizations in 2015 he was notified for the post of Ombudsman by Democratic Left Alliance Parliamentary Club and by independent members of the parliament, and also by Civic Platform Parliamentary Club. The Sejm appointed him at this post on 24 of July 2015 and on 7 August 2015 the Senate of the Republic of Poland approved this choice. Then, on 9 September 2015 the Sejm took his oath.

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