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Populism can take different forms. However, a defining feature is that  
populist movements claim to represent the common people against the  
elite establishment.

It can challenge democratic institutions and norms, such as pluralism,  
tolerance, human rights and the rule of law.

In our workshop, we will discuss how populist movements affect  
democracy in different historical and regional contexts and if populism is  
necessarily a threat to democracy.



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## WORKSHOP

# POPULISM - A THREAT TO DEMOCRACY?

19TH APRIL 2023



**WEDNESDAY, 19 APRIL 2023**

13:00 –  
13:15 / **Welcoming words**

Steffen Kailitz (HAIT)  
Marianne Kneuer (TU Dresden)

### **Introduction to the topic**

Steffen Kailitz (HAIT)

13:15 –  
15:15 / **Panel 1**

Chair: Steffen Kailitz (HAIT)

Discussant: Manès Weisskircher (TU Dresden)

13:15 –  
13:55 / **Populism and Extremism - Problems of Conceptualisation**

Uwe Backes (HAIT)

13:55 –  
14:35 / **Populist Authoritarianism or Authoritarian Populism?  
On the Difficulties of Demarcation Using the Example of  
Venezuela**

Marianne Kneuer (TU Dresden)

14:35 –  
15:15 / **Populism in Latin America**

Wolfgang Muno (University of Rostock)

15:15 –  
15:40 / **Break**

15:40 –  
17:00 / **Panel 2**

Chair: Steffen Kailitz (HAIT)

Discussant: N.N.

15:40 –  
16:20 / **Is there a (universal) right-wing populist voter?**

Daniel Stockemer (University of Ottawa)

16:20 –  
17:00 / **„Vox musica, vox populi“? „Frei.Wild“ and the COVID-19  
Pandemic**

Maximilian Kreter (HAIT)

**For non-presenters it is necessary to register for the workshop in advance.**

Due to the size of the room only a maximum of 15 people can participate in the event on site. Seats at the discussion table for non-presenters will be allocated according to the order in which registrations are received.

All other interested parties can follow the event online and ask questions there.

**Please register under the following mail address by April 15th, 2023:**

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