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Anti-genderism – from the everyday to the geopolitical

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Increasingly 'anti-genderism' (see Ackerly, Friedman, Gopinath, Zalewski 2019) has emerged as a key rallying cry in global politics. A rejection of, and reaction against, feminism and so-called 'gender ideology' acts as an ideational linchpin across multiple sites of politics, from internet chatrooms to the rhetoric of world leaders. This roundtable will explore how homophobia, racism and misogyny operate in a holistic entanglement within these spaces and discourses and constitute a core ideological force in contemporary far right populism from the so-called fringes, to the so-called mainstream of political debates. By exploring abortion politics, violent anti-feminism, and the leadership of figures such as Trump, Orbán, Bolsonaro, Duda and others and it seeks to unpack the different ways that anti-genderism operates within and circles through political movements, ideologies, and ideas such as nationalism, populism, and extremism.

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