

Beyond Nationalism: For You, Through Twilight

超越民族主義: 透視不確定的未來



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Abstract

Brexit, Trump's electoral victory, America First, the Alt-White, xenophobia, populism, post-truth, alternative facts... We are witnessing a set of problems that symbolise the emergence of a new nationalism. The talk attempts to make a sociological enquiry into the direction and characteristic features of what may be called 'nationalism beyond the age of nationalism'. The speaker has obtained some useful insights from interactions with faculty members and students of OUHK and would like to share his views on the subject. Following a discussion of new forms of nationalism, the talk looks into the role of a 'community of empathy' among digital natives in forming a social basis of the new nationalism. Conventional theories of nationalism and populism are reassessed in light of illustrations drawn from the recent experiences of Japan.

Lecture Details

Date: 20 March 2017 (Monday)
Time: 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Venue: C0910, 9/F, OUHK Main Campus
Address: 30 Good Shepherd Street, Ho Man Tin, Kowloon

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