Special Issue

Conspiracy Theories: Genealogies and Political Uses

Message from the Guest Editor

The special issue is aimed at presenting an interdisciplinary overview of conspiracy theories especially with regards to their political uses, and the transformations they have undergone over the past few decades, but with some genealogical slanted analyses going further back in time. Compared to the contemporary literature on conspiracy theories, the special issue has the virtue of bringing together scholars from different disciplines, with whom I have already agreed, in dealing with the topic of the political uses of conspiracy theories, though understood in a broad sense. An up-to-date and innovative overview of the phenomenon is thus offered, ranging from political sociology to the history of ideas, from political philosophy to literary criticism, from semiotic analyses to theories of law, from political science to the history of philosophy. The bibliographical references are calibrated for each author and discipline, and they too therefore come to offer a broad and up-to-date overview.

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