

Special Issue

Religion, Nationalism and Populism across the North/South Divide

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In Europe and the United States, religion has become a significant component of the growing nationalist and supremacist political groups which contest the fundamental rights of religious, sexual, or racial minorities in the name of their religious identity. Outside Western secular democracies, the rise of religious claims not only impinges on civil rights but also on the rule of law and democratic life in general. This Special Issue will examine the religious dimension of populism and nationalism across countries, religious traditions, and historical periods. To do so, it will for the first time bring together scholars of religion and politics to comparatively explore the rise of extreme-right movements in Europe and the white supremacist groups in the USA, but also rise of authoritarian figures in Turkey, Russia, and India. To that effect, we are inviting contributions from different disciplines, addressing specific case studies in and beyond the West as well as thematic and theoretical approaches across case studies.

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