

09:30

**Arrivals and registration (Logenhaus, Logensaal)**

10:00

**Welcome address from the President of the European University Viadrina, Prof. Dr. Julia von Blumenthal**  
**Welcome by the organizers (LH Logensaal)**

## DEMOCRACY TRACK

11:00- **Current Research on the Meaning and Understanding of Democracy at the**  
 12:30 **Regional, European, and Global Level (Gräfin-Dönhoff-Gebäude, GD 06)**

*Chairs: Norma Osterberg-Kaufmann (Humboldt University Berlin),  
 Susanne Pickel (University of Duisburg-Essen)*

- Understanding of Democracy and the Crisis of Democracy (Norma Osterberg-Kaufmann, Humboldt University Berlin, Toralf Stark, University of Duisburg-Essen)
- Is There a Dominant Meaning of Democracy? Political Identity between Liberalism and Republicanism in 27 Democracies (Simon Bein, University of Regensburg)
- Everything or Nothing: Researching democracy's promises? (Saskia Schäfer, Humboldt University Berlin)

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**Lunch break**

14:00- **Current Research on the Meaning and Understanding of Democracy at the**  
 15:30 **Regional, European, and Global Level - continuation (GD 06)**

*Chairs: Norma Osterberg-Kaufmann (Humboldt University Berlin),  
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- Explaining Public Support for Democratic Erosion: Trade-offs or Divergent Understandings of Democracy? (Theresa Gessler, European University Viadrina, Natasha Wunsch, ETH Zürich)
- The Demand Side of Democratic Backsliding: How Divergent Understandings of Democracy Shape Political Choice (Natasha Wunsch, Marc S. Jacob, Laurenz Derksen, ETH Zürich)

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**Coffee break**

16:00-

16:45

**DVPW Section meeting "Comparative Politics" (LH Logensaal)**

17:00

**Gero-Erdmann Prize Award Ceremony and Keynote Speech (LH Logensaal)**

Andreas Busch and Valentin Gold (University of Göttingen)

"A Climate Change in German Politics? Analysing the 2021 Coalition Treaty of the 'traffic light coalition'"

18:30

**Reception (LH Logensaal)**

## EMERGING CHALLENGES TRACK

**German Energy and Natural Resources Policy (GD 07)**

*Chair: Zsuzsanna Végh (European University Viadrina)*

- Energy Governance in Europe. A comparative analysis of transition pathways (Nils Bruch, Jörg Kemmerzell, Michèle Knodt, Technical University Darmstadt)
- Germany's political power in global natural resource politics (Jasper Finkeldey, Martin-Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)

**Information and Disinformation Policy (GD 07)**

*Chair: Timm Beichelt (European University Viadrina)*

- Vernetzte Desinformationskampagnen: der Fall Nawalny (Christoph Deppe, Gary S. Schaal, Helmut-Schmidt University Hamburg)
- Political Climate Change im Lichte von Big Data (Thomas Kestler, University of Würzburg)
- Die Migration von Argumenten. Algorithmische Mustererkennung in der Politikwissenschaft (Jürgen Neyer, Mitja Sienknecht, Sassan Gholiagha, European University Viadrina, European New School of Digital Studies)

## DEMOCRACY, POPULISM AND DISINFORMATION TRACK

09:15-11:15 **Challenges of Measuring Democratic Backsliding (GD 05)**

*Chairs: Toralf Stark (University of Duisburg-Essen),  
Christoph Mohamad-Klotzbach (University of Würzburg)*

- Patterns of Democratic Backsliding in Eastern Europe? Poland's, Hungary's, and Slovenia's Path to Autocratic Rule (Susanne Pickel, University of Duisburg-Essen)
- New Babel in democratization studies? How we can situate, conceptualize and measure “democratic backsliding” (Rolf Frankenberger, University of Tübingen), online
- Measuring Regime Transformation as Episodes of Democratization and Autocratization (Seraphine F. Maerz, Goethe University Frankfurt/Main, Amanda B. Edgell, University of Alabama, Matthew C. Wilson, University of South Carolina, Sebastian Hellmeier, WZB Berlin, Staffan I. Lindberg, University of Gothenburg)
- Challenges of Measuring Democratic Backsliding (Theresa Gessler, European University Viadrina)

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**Coffee break**11:30-13:00 **Populism and Radical Right-Wing Parties (GD 05)**

*Chairs: Kristina Weissenbach (University of Duisburg-Essen),  
Michael Minkenberg (European University Viadrina)*

- Patterns of radical and populist voters. How radical and populist voters differ in their democratic attitudes (Carsten Wegscheider, University of Salzburg, Toralf Stark, Susanne Pickel University of Duisburg-Essen)
- Populism and Parliaments: Examining patterns of deparliamentarization (Lisa H. Anders, University of Leipzig, Sonja Priebus, European University Viadrina)
- Populism as A Practice and in Civil Society: A Theoretical Inquiry (Murad Nasibov, Justus Liebig University of Giessen)

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**Lunch and departure**

## DEMOCRATIC RESILIENCE TRACK

**Authoritarian Attacks and Democratic Resilience: Means, Actors and Networks (GD 06)**

*Chair: Silvia von Steinsdorff (Humboldt University Berlin)*

- Resisting through Law: Lawyers in Turkey (Gülçin Coşkun, Ertuğ Tomuş, Humboldt University Berlin)
- The structure and hierarchies of transnational online networks of European anti-gender movement organizations on Twitter (Dominika Tronina, Humboldt University Berlin)
- Limits of Legitimation: Erdogan, Charisma and Opposition (İrem Tuncer-Ebetürk, WZB Berlin, Defne Över, Texas A&M University)
- Supporting democratization of neighbors in the east in the face of immense security challenges from Russia: a mission impossible? (Sandro Megrelishvili, Business and Technology University, Tbilisi)
- Hate speech against intersex people in Greece (Nikoletta Pikramenou, Aristotle-University Thessaloniki), online

**European International Bodies in Strengthening Democratic Resilience: Actors, Means, Challenges (GD 06)**

*Chair: Claudia Matthes (Humboldt University Berlin)*

- The role of the CJEU and the ECtHR in strengthening the democratic resilience (Kaja Kaźmierska, Humboldt University Berlin)
- Invisibility of international bodies in context of contested statehood (Friederike Augustin, Humboldt-University Berlin)
- The Council of Europe Before and After Russia's Expulsion: Between Law and Politics (Esra Demir-Gürsel, Humboldt University Berlin)
- The Court of Justice of the European Union in the case law of the Polish Constitutional Court – the current breakdown, its root cause and significance (Agnieszka Sołtys, Polish Academy of Science Warsaw), online

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