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**Contesting Authoritarianism:
Perspectives from the South**

May 16 – 21, 2022 // Berlin, Straße der Pariser Kommune 8a & Franz-Mehring-Platz 1

organized by International Research Group on Authoritarianism and Counterstrategies - Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung

Monday, May 16

5 PM – 7 PM

Welcome, get-together & introductory words

▷▷▷ Patio, Franz-Mehring-Platz 1

Tuesday, May 17

10 am – 12 am

Inaugural Conference: The crisis of civilization & the authoritarian turn

Alex Demirovic (Institut für Gesellschaftsanalyse, Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung, Berlin), **Zeynep Gambetti** (Independent Scholar, Political Theorist, Affiliated with Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey), **Hugo Fanton** (Brazilian Activist and Collaborating Professor in Political Science at the University of São Paulo, IRGAC), **Börries Nehe** (Coordinator of the International Research Group on Authoritarianism & Counterstrategies, IRGAC)

▷▷▷ **Münzenberg Saal, Franz-Mehring-Platz 1**

2 pm – 4 pm

Alternative Democracies / Alternatives to Democracy

Azize Aslan (Kurdish Sociologist and Researcher at the National Autonomous University of Mexico), **Inés Durán Matute** (Activist and Researcher at the Meritorious Autonomous University of Puebla, Mexico, IRGAC), **Katia Valenzuela Fuentes** (Activist and Researcher at the University of Concepción and at the Center for Sustainable Urban Development - CEDEUS, Chile) // Moderation: **Dario Farcy** (Activist in the Recovery Factories Movement, Argentina - Bloque Latinoamericano, Berlin)

▷▷▷ **room 0.04, Straße der Pariser Kommune 8a**

Transnational Strategies of the Far-Right

Erol Saglam (Researcher at the Free University of Berlin and at the Istanbul Medeniyet University, Turkey, IRGAC), **Lise Benoist** (Researcher and Member of the Zetkin Collective, France), **R.Y.** (Russian Journalist and anti-fascist Activist) // Moderation: **Anika Taschke** (Advisor for Neo-Nazism and Structures / Ideologies of Discrimination, Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung, Berlin)

▶▶▶ **room 0.07, Straße der Pariser Kommune 8a**

8 pm – 10 pm

Film & Debate at SINEMA TRANSTOPIA:

Everything Must Fall (Rehad Desai, South Africa/Netherlands/Belgium 2019, 85 min.)

The screening is part of the “Contesting Authoritarianism” film program curated by Berke Göl and Nafiseh Fathollahzadeh.

▶▶▶ **Haus der Statistik, Otto-Braun-Straße 70–72**

Wednesday, May 18

10 am – 12 am

Labour policies and worker's struggles in authoritarian contexts

Alexander Gallas (Assistant Professor at the University of Kassel, Germany), **Verna Viajar** (Activist and Researcher at the University of the Philippines, IRGAC), **Dario Azzellini** (Activist and Researcher at the Autonomous University of Zacatecas, Mexico), **Julia Dück** (Fellow for Social Infrastructure and Connective Class Politics, Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung, Berlin) // Moderation: **Mariano Félix** (Activist and Researcher at the National University of La Plata, Argentina, IRGAC)

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Infringement of academic freedoms and counter-strategies

Arshi Javid (Gender and Media Studies, Humboldt University, Berlin / Kashmir), **Tatiana Levina** (Academy in Exile Fellow and Researcher at the Kulturwissenschaftliches Institut, Essen, Germany), **Tomasz Kitlinski** (Margherita-von-Brentano-Zentrum, Freie Universität, Berlin - Academy in Exile- IIE-SRF / Poland), **Achim Rohde** (Researcher at Freie Universität Berlin - Academy in Exile, Germany), **Ülker Sözen** (Sociologist at Alice Salomon Hochschule, Berlin / Turkey, IRGAC)

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2 pm – 4 pm

Ideological dimensions of the authoritarian Neoliberalism: Labour & Life

Michael Hirsch (Political Scientist, Philosopher, Writer & Researcher at the University of Siegen, Germany), **Fabio Franco** (Psychoanalyst, Activist and Researcher at the University of São Paulo, Brazil, IRGAC), **Flora Partenio** (DAWN Feminist, Argentina) // Moderation: **Gustavo Robles** (Independent Scholar, Argentina, IRGAC)

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**Countering Authoritarianism Through Knowledge:
Alternative Methodologies, Sources, and Approaches
On and From the Middle East and North Africa**

Himmat Zoubi (Forum Transregionale Studien/EUME, IRGAC), **Nafiseh Fathollahzadeh** (Forum Transregionale Studien/EUME, IRGAC), **Jeffrey G. Karam** (Lebanese American University - Center for Middle Eastern and North African Politics, Freie Universität Berlin - Forum Transregionale Studien/EUME, IRGAC), **Dina El-Sharnouby** (Activist and Researcher at the Free University of Berlin), **Erol Saglam** (Researcher at the Free University of Berlin and at the Istanbul Medeniyet University, Turkey, IRGAC), **Saker El Nour** (Center for Middle Eastern and North African Politics, Freie Universität Berlin, IRGAC) // Moderation: **Jeffrey G. Karam** and **Dina El-Sharnouby**
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4.30 pm – 6.30 pm

Media Practices as Acts of Resistance within Authoritarian Terrains

Fathima Nizaruddin (Researcher & Documentary Filmmaker, India, IRGAC), **Sagorika Singha** (Fellow at Centre for Advanced Internet Studies, Germany / The Sarai Programme, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, India), **Nwet Kay Khine** (Researcher at the University of Passau, Germany / Myanmar, IRGAC) // Moderation: **Aurel Eschmann** (Researcher, Activist & Program Coordinator for Asia, RLS)
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Authoritarianism from a (post)colonial perspective

Pedro Salgado (Lecturer at the Oxford Brookes University, UK / Brazil, IRGAC), **Amira Abdelhamid** (Activist and Researcher at the University of Sussex, UK / Egypt), **Ricardo Pagliuso Regatieri** (Professor at the Federal University of Bahia, Brazil) // Moderation: **Julieta Mira** (Researcher at National Scientific and Technological Research Council (CONICET), Argentina, IRGAC)

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Thursday, May 19

10 am – 6 pm

Political City Tours

The number of participants is limited, only with prior registration.

8 pm – 10 pm

Short Films & Debate at SINEMA TRANSTOPIA:

Monangambé (Sarah Maldoror, Angola 1969, 16 min.)

Bir Savunma / A Defense (Aylin Kuryel, Turkey/Netherlands 2021, 16 min.)

I Signed the Petition (Mahdi Fleifel, UK/Switzerland/Germany 2018, 10 min.)

Handbuch / Handbook (Pavel Mozhar, Germany/Belarus, 2021, 26 min.)

A discussion with **Pavel Mozhar** (Filmmaker) and **Aylin Kuryel** (Academic & Filmmaker, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands) will follow the screening.

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Friday, May 20

10 am - 12 am

**Anti-gender politics: religious fundamentalism
and political neoconservatism**

Ailynn Torres Santana (Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences, Ecuador, IRGAC), **Sonia Correa** (Sexuality Policy Watch, Brazil), **Ewa Majewska** (Feminist Philosopher and Activist, Independent Scholar, Warsaw, Poland), **Funda Hülagü** (Independent Scholar, Adjunct Lecturer at the Philipps University of Marburg, Germany) // Moderation: **Andrea Dip** (Investigative Journalist, Brazil, IRGAC)

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Housing Crisis in a time of Democratic Backsliding

Mariana Morais (Researcher at the Humboldt University-Berlin / Right to the City, Berlin), **Natalie Koch** (Professor at Syracuse University, New York, USA, IASS-Potsdam Visiting Fellow), **Lorena Zarate** (Global Platform for the Right to the City -GPR2C-, Argentina/Mexico/Canada) // Moderation: **Aysegül Can** (Researcher at the Istanbul Medeniyet University, Turkey, IRGAC)

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2 pm – 4 pm

**Queerfeminist strategies & transnational solidarity
against gender-based violence**

Rupali Bansode (Dalit feminist and Social Anthropologist, India), **Javiera Manzi** (Sociologist and Feminist Activist, Coordinadora Feminista 8M, Chile), **Magdo Chuchracka** (Queer Activist, Academic and Performer from Eastern Europe, Co-liberation Berlin, POPBACK Project, Goethe University, Frankfurt) // Moderation: **Jana Flörching** (Sociologist, Freelance Curator and Feminist Activist, Berlin) and **Susanne Hentschel** (Activist and Political Scientist, Berlin)

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Capitalist anti-ecologies and authoritarianism in the Global South (I)

Mariano Féliz (Activist and Researcher at the National University of La Plata, Argentina, IRGAC), **Marco Antonio Teixeira** (Postdoctoral Researcher, Institute for Latin American Studies at the Freie Universität Berlin; Scientific Coordinator, Researcher Group Food for Justice), **Myint Zaw** (Environmental Activist and Writer, Myanmar), **Saker El Nour** (Activist and Researcher at the Center for Middle Eastern and North African Politics, Freie Universität Berlin, IRGAC) // Moderation: **Inés Durán Matute** (Activist and Researcher at the Meritorious Autonomous University of Puebla, Mexico, IRGAC)

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Capitalist anti-ecologies and authoritarianism in the Global South (II)

Sabrina Fernandes (Ecosocialist Communicator and Researcher at the University of Brasília, Brasil, IRGAC), **Markus Wissen** (Fellow at the Institute for Critical Social Analysis, Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation, Germany), **Erika Mendes** (Environmental and Social Activist, Justicia Ambiental, Mozambique) // Moderation: **Boaventura Monjane** (Activist and Researcher at the University of the Western Cape, South Africa, IRGAC)

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The Power of Music and Counterculture:

A Focus on Counter-strategies and Resistance Through Sound

Mo'min Swaitat (Palestinian Researcher and Filmmaker based in London), **Diana Abbani** (Writer, Historian & Research Associate at the Forum Transregionale Studien, Berlin), **Enana** (Syrian Rapper based in Berlin) // Moderation: **Himmat Zoubi** (Forum Transregionale Studien/EUME, IRGAC)

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Saturday, May 21

11 am – 1 pm

General Assembly

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4 pm – 6 pm

Roundtable: Beyond Authoritarianism. Counterstrategies, Solidarities, Utopias

Eva von Redecker (Philosopher, Researcher and Writer, Germany), **Harsh Mander** (Author and Activist; Robert Bosch Academy Fellow & Centre for Equity Studies, India), **Sabrina Fernandes** (Ecosocialist Communicator and Researcher at the University of Brasilia, Brasil, IRGAC), **Damir Arsenijevic** (Author, Activist and Psychoanalyst at the University of Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina), **Yunyun Zhou** (Feminist Researcher at the University of Oslo, Norway/ China)

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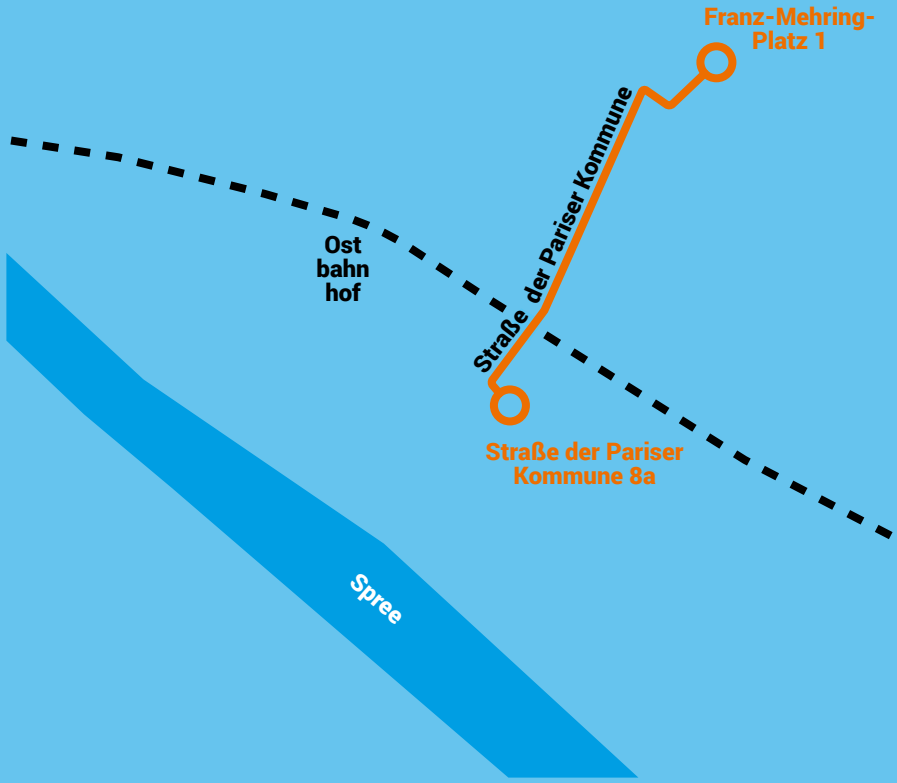
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with **Saca Sal** (Manuela Amuleto & Calamidades Lola), **Prince Emrah**, **DJabali B2b**
VEX (AL Berlin Crew)

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