

## **INVITATION - Online Discussion**

### **A feminist exploration: "The great replacement"**

**Date:** Wednesday 16 September 2020

**Time:** 17:00 – 18:00 CEST

**Venue:** Online, via Zoom ([register here](#))

Join us for the third edition of "A feminist exploration" - this time we will focus on "The great replacement" - Reproductive policies and demographic doom fantasies within the 'Identitarian Movement'. Together with Judith Goetz, literary scholar and political scientist at the University of Vienna, we will dive into the naturalisation of inequalities, a cornerstone of right-wing extremist thinking. The idea of a "great replacement" has become increasingly popular in right-wing discourse and promotes the fantasy of a somewhat orchestrated replacement of populations. The seemingly apolitical reference to "nature", "normal families" or "demography" is highly popular. In the context of gender relations, this premise openly invokes nature to legitimise racist, colonial or classist structures.

In this mini lecture, we will acquire an insight into the close link between anti-feminist discourses and right-wing extremism's core belief, i.e. to a racialised/ethnicised world-view. How does the far right use the topics of gender/sex and sexuality to bring racist population politics back into the political sphere without actually calling it by that name? How adaptable are anti-feminist discourses and how are they able to gradually include more and more issues in their relatively coherent master-narrative of the threatened "natural order"? These are the questions we will touch on in this third edition of the series.

This monthly discussion series is powered by and created for feminist scholars, activists and policy makers – in Europe and beyond. We are looking forward to your participation!

#### **30-minute Mini Lecture by Judith Goetz**

Literary scholar and political scientist, University of Vienna

#### **30-minute Debate moderated by Andrea Pető**

Professor, Central European University, Vienna

Please [register here](#) by 15 September 2020.

*If you have any questions, please contact Anna Trzcińska at [anna.trzcinska@eu.boell.org](mailto:anna.trzcinska@eu.boell.org)*

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