

Spring School “Religion and the Culture of Democracy”

Figures of Authority

People – Texts – Traditions

May 15 – 20, 2022

Public evening lectures

Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 6 pm

Power and Anti-Authoritarianism: The Legacy of an Unfinished Project

Prof. Dr. Micha Brumlik (Selma Stern Zentrum Berlin): *Von der Theorie der autoritären Persönlichkeit bis zur Dialektik des Anti-Autoritären*

Dr. Gerd Koenen (Frankfurt/M.): *Autorität zwischen Macht und Religion: Ein Blick auf Russland*

Chair: Dr. Stephan Steiner (Katholische Akademie Berlin)

Location: Katholische Akademie, Hannoversche Straße 5, 10115 Berlin | Youtube-Livestream: <https://youtu.be/7yneXwt04ss>

Monday, May 16, 2022 at 7 pm

Liberalism's Threshold: Authority and the Authoritarian

Prof. Menachem Lorberbaum (Tel Aviv University): *The Modern Republic in the Postmodern Moment*

Prof. Frank Furedi (University of Kent): *Liberalism's Uneasy Relationship with Authority*

Chair: PD Dr. Magnus Schlette (FEST Heidelberg)

Location: Katholische Akademie, Hannoversche Straße 5, 10115 Berlin | Youtube-Livestream: <https://youtu.be/HTo89vUWYPo>

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 7 pm

The Charisma of Tradition: On Religious Sources of Authority

Prof. José Casanova (Georgetown University): *Sources of Papal Authority in Our Global Age*

Commentary: Dr. Reut Paz (Universität Gießen) & Prof. Dr. Christian Polke (Universität Göttingen)

Chair: Prof. Asher Biemann (University of Virginia)

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Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 7 pm

Textual Reasoning: Historical and Religious Ramifications of the Concept of Authority

Prof. Dr. Judith Hahn (Universität Bonn): *The Modern Catholic Crisis of Authority – Or: Why Catholics should study Halacha*

Dr. Dr. Teresa Forcades i Vila OSB (Montserrat): *Personal Freedom and Political Freedom*

Chair: Dr. Gesine Palmer (Katholische Akademie Berlin)

Location: Katholische Akademie, Hannoversche Straße 5, 10115 Berlin | Youtube-Livestream: <https://youtu.be/r5x1-N6QZNg>

Thursday, May 19, 2022, 7 pm

Alternative Authorities: A Global Perspective

Prof. Jacob Olupona (Harvard University): *Cultural Imagination and Indigenous African Sources of Authority*

Prof. Dr. Almut Sh. Bruckstein (Berlin/Istanbul): *Nothing to Begin With: How to Build a House of Wisdom*

Chair: TBA

Location: Festsaal, Luisenstraße 56, 2nd floor, 10115 Berlin | Youtube-Livestream: <https://youtu.be/H6lzfom4cZg>

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