

**ISGA Brown-bag Seminar: *Gendering the far-right continuum in Europe: Theoretical standpoints and empirical illustrations from Northern Europe***

**Time:** Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023, 12:00–13:00 CET

**Location:** Common-room of the Institute of Security and Global Affairs (Leiden University's The Hague campus)

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The aim of this presentation is to provide a succinct overview of the rapidly developing field of scholarship on far-right manifestations across Europe from a gendered perspective. Its starting point is to acknowledge that gender plays a crucial role in grasping the ideological underpinnings and the *modus operandi* of the various entities, which are generally associated with the larger field of socio-political manifestations further to the right of the mainstream centre-right. In this presentation, the concept of far-right continuum is put as a means to address the difficulty of delineating the discretely interrelated forms of far-right extremism and to enable a theoretical discussion informed by a gender perspective of the common ideological traits identified in research on these diverse entities. This theoretical discussion is then illustrated with the help of two research outputs (Norocel, 2022; Norocel & Pettersson, 2022), which provide a quick sketch of upcoming research directions for research on gender and the far-right continuum, by evidencing the benefits of an interdisciplinary agenda in the field.

QR codes to referenced research outputs (Open Access)





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