



RALF DAHRENDORF **ROUNDTABLES**

TURNING THE TIDE: POPULISM AND POLITICAL EXTREMISM IN CHANGING DEMOCRACIES

The problem of political extremism is something that should concern European Liberals. Extremism is progressively a hallmark of populist movements, but it also exists in our day to day political consumption; in the traditional media and in on-line platforms and social networks. The discussion of this problem, and its solutions, should be constant, due to the alterations of the environment where said extremism grows and spreads.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION
24 NOVEMBER 2018 | 9:30H

JUPITER HOTEL IN LISBON
ROOMS "MENINA" AND "MOÇA"

9:45h Welcome by Luís Menezes | President of the Portuguese Liberal Social Movement

10:00h

Máté Szalai.

Assistant Professor and Doctoral Candidate at the Corvinus University of Budapest,
External Partner of Integrity Lab.

"Make Europe Great Again or: How I learned to love populism."

Moderated by Miguel Duarte from the Liberal Social Movement (Portugal)

10:30h

Slawomir Sierakowski.

Sociologist and political analyst. Founder and leader of Krytyka Polityczna (Political Critique), an Eastern European movement of liberal intellectuals, artists and activists. Director of the Institute for Advanced Study in Warsaw and the president of the Stanislaw Brzozowski Association.

"What Differs Eastern from Western Populism in Europe?"

Moderated by Miguel Duarte from the Liberal Social Movement (Portugal)



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11:00h

Coffee Break

11:15h

Susana Salgado.

PhD, researcher and professor of political communication at the Institute of Social Sciences-University of Lisbon, Portugal. Member of COST Actions Populist Political Communication in Europe and Reappraising Debates on Civic Rights and Democracy in Europe.

“The impact of populism on political communication.”

Moderated by José Rodrigues from the Liberal Social Movement (Portugal)

11:45h

Ricardo Silvestre.

International Officer at the Social Liberal Movement. Masters Student on Diplomacy and International Relations.

“Political polarization online.”

Moderated by Šárka Prát from the Institute for Politics and Society (Czech Republic).

12:15h -13h

Roundtable

“How to detect and prevent political extremism in Europe.”

Susana Salgado

Máté Szalai

Slawomir Sierakowski

Ricardo Silvestre

Moderated by Šárka Prát from the Institute for Politics and Society (Czech Republic).

Questions from the audience.

Final considerations and acknowledgments.

Luís Menezes | President of the Liberal Social Movement

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ABOUT THE RALF DAHRENDORF ROUNDTABLES

By connecting the roundtable series with the name of Lord Dahrendorf, ELF wishes to underline his achievements. In his many functions he championed liberal democracy and European integration. He consistently promoted the role of the EU as a guarantor of human rights and liberty. His wide experience combining science and politics provided an excellent background to his activity in the German Parliament for the liberal Free Democratic Party, as European Commissioner, as member of the British House of Lords and as Chairman of the Board of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation (1982-1987).

During his four years in Brussels (1970 – 1974), Lord Dahrendorf was responsible for the European Community's Foreign Relations and Trade, and later for Research, Science and Education. He actively supported a stronger Europe. As Commissioner he was a sharp critic of European Union bureaucracy while he was passionately in favour of a European Parliament exercising greater power.