

Call for Papers for ECPG Amsterdam 2019

Panel Feminism and Left Populist Politics

In the last decade, numerous populist actors have demanded democratic regeneration, claiming to represent the ‘people’ against different sorts of elites. These actors are often depicted as enemies to feminist politics, based on their exclusionary agenda, anti-pluralistic politics and the dominant masculine imagery they mobilize. However, in the same period, left populist actors (who also claim democratic regeneration representing the underdogs) have established productive dialogues with feminist movements, inspired by feminist diagnoses of the economic crisis, and feminist egalitarian and emancipatory practices.

This panel examines the possibilities for a feminist agenda and practices within left populist politics. How do the feminist movements and left populist actors spreading worldwide relate to each other? What is the role of feminism in the political activity, organization and agenda of left populist actors? To what extent can feminism play a democratizing role within left populist spaces? Does populism open/close off opportunities for re-gendering politics?

We welcome both conceptual and empirical papers contributing to an enhance understanding of these issues.

Please submit 300-word paper abstracts by October 10th, 2018, to Bice Maiguashca (B.Maiguashca@exeter.ac.uk) and Paloma Caravantes (paloma.caravantesgonzalez@rutgers.edu).