

IFIS-Online-Colloquium

The Institute for Integral Studies invites you to the IFIS Online Colloquium n° 7:

Time: Wednesday, date 21.6.2017, at 20.00-21.30 h, Zoom meeting.

Presenter: Mark Edwards PhD, University of Jönköping, IFIS' scientific board

Topic: Understanding Trumpism: A metatheoretical mapping of changing political landscapes

Details

The standard means for identifying political positions, the left-right distinction, has always been inadequate for any in depth understanding of the range of political views. The rise of Trumpism is the feather that breaks the back of this simplistic left-right lens. Trumpism is essentially the convergence of two contradictory movements – the radical rejection of conventional political norms and the opportunistic acceptance of this rejection by mainstream political and corporate conservatives. In this presentation I point to the need for metatheoretical lenses such as a morality spectrum and a mediational lens to untangle the web of complexities that currently besets the post-truth, or more correctly the a-truth (as in a-moral), political landscape. This meta-theoretical mapping is one option of many that can be used to bring some additional conceptual muscle to help make sense of Trumpism.

Short bio of the presenter



Mark Edwards, Ph.D., is a lecturer with Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping University, Sweden. His PhD was published by Routledge as the monograph "Organisational Transformation for Sustainability: An Integral Metatheory". The importance of metatheoretical research for the development of integrative social science has been a guiding theme throughout all his writings and pedagogical work with students. Mark teaches and researches in the fields of organizational sustainability, transformation and ethics. He has published in a number of academic journals including, *Mind*, *Culture and Activity*, *Journal of Business Ethics, Journal of Business Ethics Education, Journal of Organisational Change*

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If you wish to participate, please register with us by June 10, 2017 at info@ifis-freiburg.de. Registered participants will receive the Zoom invite upon registration.

More info on the IFIS Online Colloquium:

The main **intent of our Colloquium** – in line with <u>IFIS' general mission and purpose</u> – is to help connect interested integrally oriented researchers and practitioners by offering them a forum to exchange experiences around innovative approaches to complex social challenges. The colloquium is designed to strengthen the dialog and connection between IFIS' members and friends, mostly spread out in different countries and even continents. We also hope to attract new colleagues to join us and be part of IFIS' community of <u>integral</u> research and inquiry.

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