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International conference on right-wing populism and extremism in Europe

17-18 March, 2014, Cologne, Germany

Host: German Federal Agency for Civic Education in a strategic partnership with the European Commission's Regional Office Bonn

Right-wing populist and extremist parties seem to have a viable chance of gaining more seats in the European parliament than ever before. There are worries that especially eurosceptical parties and parties hostile to European integration will obtain greater influence on European politics. Nationalist, sweeping anti-Islam, and anti-immigration parties call the groundwork of the European Union into question.

The German Federal Agency for Civic Education, in cooperation with the European Commission's Regional Office in Bonn, will host a two-day conference on right-wing populism and extremism in Europe. During this convention, phenomena, transnational cooperations on the far right and their relevance in the run-up to the European Elections 2014 are to be addressed. Distinguished researchers, experts and civil society actors from all over the European Union will enlighten about current challenges to European democracy from ideologies of inequality. Given the shift to the right in the political arenas of major European Union member states, questions of handling right-wing populist and extremist parties or movements become more and more salient.

We expect up to 250 participants from academia, politics, civil society, administrative bodies and the European public. José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission, is invited to give a key-note speech. The topics will be dealt with in plenary speeches, workshops and panel discussions. Conference languages will be English and German (interpretation in plenary sessions available).

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