Representative democracy almost everywhere is besieged by populist movements, parties and governments. The new populism attacks ‘the establishment’ for having let ‘the people’ down by allowing globalism to run wild. It relies on exceptional leaders to serve as the embodiment of ‘We the People’, and it stirs up anxieties about anarchic competitive growth, state-enforced austerity policies, increasing immigration, growing inequalities and recurrent economic crises tendencies.

Populism speaks directly to all of those who feel ignored and pushed aside by global forces, and it demands answers to many pressing questions.

To what extent is populism a democratic phenomenon? So what comes after democracy? As growing numbers of voters line up behind populism, do all established parties and interest organisations have to adapt to populism? Are there democratic ways of confronting the populist challenge?

Given that populists seem bent on ‘crushing’ the system by keeping its political institutions and processes in perpetual disequilibrium, can populism in practice be tamed? Is it true that populists offer little advice as to how best to conduct good politics and policy ‘for’, ‘with’ and ‘by’ real people? Can their anti-pluralist and anti-globalist vision be realised in practice? And where is all this leading us? Does democracy have a future? What are democrats to do in these times?
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