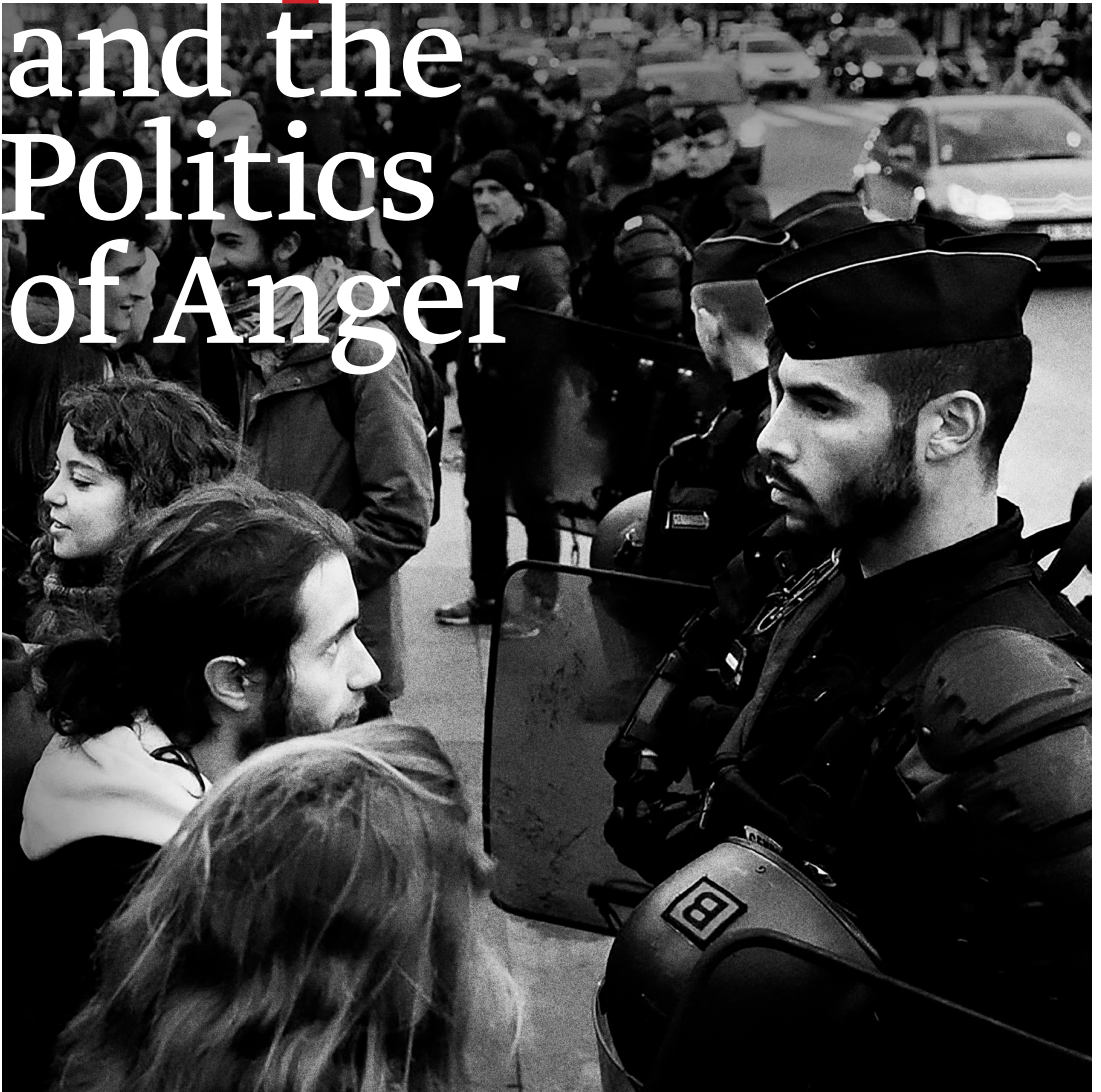


# States of Exception

## and the Politics of Anger



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**Friday 19 October 2018**

Conference Hall, National Museum of Iceland

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9:15-9:40 **Conference Opening**

*Welcome Remarks*

**Valur Ingimundarson** (University of Iceland)

*Opening Address*

**Jón Atli Benediktsson** (Rector of the University of Iceland)

9:45-11:45 **Panel 1: Rethinking “Exceptions”: Theoretical Approaches**

*Chair:* Sofia Oliveira Pais (Catholic University of Portugal)

**Hans Köchler** (University of Innsbruck)

*Carl Schmitt’s “State of Exception” and the Logic of Power Politics*

**Alexandra S. Moore** (Binghamton University (SUNY))

*Exception as Alibi: Redactions and the Rhetoric of Emergency in the War on Terror*

**Rafael Valim** (Catholic University of São Paulo)

*State of Exception: The Legal Form of Neoliberalism*

**Helge Petersen** (University of Glasgow)

*The Historical Specificity of State Racism: An Immanent Critique of Foucault and Agamben*

Discussion

12:00-13:00 **Lunch Break**

13:15-15:15 **Panel 2: Political Disruptions: Populism, Democracy, and Neo-Nationalism**

*Chair:* Claudia Aradau (King’s College, London)

**Nadia Urbinati** (Columbia University, New York)

*The Populism Riddle*

**James K. Galbraith** (University of Texas at Austin)

*We Have Met the Enemy and He Is Us: Emergency Politics in America Under Trump*

**Valur Ingimundarson** (University of Iceland)

*The Upsurge of the Radical Right: Fascist Equivalents and Departures*

**Jón Ólafsson** (University of Iceland)

*Populism and Public Engagement: An Outline of a Critical Conception*

**Guðmundur Hálfðanarson** (University of Iceland)

*Is There Something New in “Neo-Nationalism”?*

Discussion

15:15-15:30 **Coffee Break**

15:30-17:30 **Panel 3: Financial Crises and Emergency Powers**

*Chair:* James K. Galbraith (University of Texas at Austin)

**Sofia Oliveira Pais** (Catholic University of Portugal)

*The Economic State of Exception during the Euro Crisis: Implications for the Rule of Law*

**Gylfi Zoega** (University of Iceland)

*From Alan Greenspan to Carl Schmitt*

**Mo Torres** (Harvard University)

*The “Emergency Management” of Economic Decline in the Post-Industrial United States*

**Stefán Ólafsson** (University of Iceland)

*Welfare Consequences of the Great Recession in Europe*

Discussion

9:15–11:15 **Panel 4: The “Exceptional” State and Violent Practices:  
Historical and Contemporary Cases**

*Chair:* Sveinn Jóhannesson (Institute of Historical Research, University of London)

**David Gaunt** (Södertörn University, Stockholm)

*Not Just “Another Genocide”: The Historiographic Importance of Ottoman Empire Mass Murder*

**Bohdana Kurylo** (University College London)

*Civil Society and Emergency Politics in Ukraine: Redefining the Power of the Audience*

**Hafðís Erla Hafsteinsdóttir** (Independent Scholar)

*Deviant Female Sexuality and the Politics of Panic in Iceland during the Second World War*

**Andrej Kotljarchuk** (Södertörn University, Stockholm)

*Nordic Citizens in the Soviet Great Terror: The Rescue Operation to Sweden  
and Issues of Citizenship, Ethnicity, and Political Belonging*

**Jennifer N. Ross** (William & Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia)

*Tactics of Battle, Strategies of State: Counterterrorism and the Hurricane Katrina Exception*

Discussion

11:30–12:30 **Lunch Break**

12:40–13:30 **Lecture: Volatile Politics after the Financial Crisis: New Challenges for Democracy**

*Chair:* Valur Ingimundarson (University of Iceland)

**Katrín Jakobsdóttir** (Prime Minister of Iceland)

13:30–15:30 **Panel 5: The Politics of Science, Technology, and the Environment**

*Chair:* Guðmundur Hálfðanarson (University of Iceland)

**Claudia Aradau** (King’s College, London)

*Algorithmic Decision, Negative Ostentation, and the Politics of Technology*

**Sveinn Jóhannesson** (Institute of Historical Research,  
School of Advanced Study, University of London)

*Technology and Dictatorship in American Politics, 1925–1948*

**Ann-Sofie Gremaud** (University of Iceland)

*Natural Resources: Emotions and Resistance in Nordic Contemporary Art*

**Peter Hitchcock** (City University of New York)

*On the Biometrics of Change: Class, Measure, Security*

Discussion

15:30–15:45 **Coffee Break**

15:45–16:45 **Panel Discussion: From the Financial Crisis to the Populist Surge:  
Emergency Politics and the Liberal (Dis-) Order**

*Participants:* **Nadia Urbinati** (Columbia University)

**James K. Galbraith** (University of Texas at Austin)

**Claudia Aradau** (King’s College, London)

**Hans Köchler** (University of Innsbruck)

*Moderator:* **Valur Ingimundarson** (University of Iceland)

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