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**A UWA Social Sciences Research,
Community and Engagement Event**

Combating Populism?

A Social Sciences Research, Community and Engagement Discussion

In an era marked by Brexit, Pauline Hanson's One Nation, the election of US President Donald Trump, and many years of problematic governance in parts of South East Asia and South America, we are beginning to learn what right-wing populism is, how it comes about, and how it puts at risk some of the core institutions of a just and ethical society and obscures some of the alternatives used to describe future societies.

But how do we challenge and combat populism? Is it enough to say we just don't like it? Do we argue for the solidification of liberal institutions, or do we push for even more radical social and governmental systems? In what ways are different groups, organisations and communities actively combatting populism already? What can the humanities and social sciences learn from existing real-world experience, and how can we better work together to address one of the world's significant social and political problems?

Please join Professor John Keane (The University of Sydney), Professor Mark Beeson (UWA), Fremantle Mayor Dr Brad Pettitt, Dr Jasmina Brankovich, Jaime Yallup, and other speakers from The University of Western Australia and the community for a lively discussion on how we address right-wing populism and protect social justice and ethical societies.

Event information

Date: Wednesday, 12 September 2018

Time: 16:00 - 18:00

Venue: Social Sciences Lecture Theatre

RSVP: Essential by registering online at <http://bit.ly/combat-pop-uwa> by Monday 10 September 2018.