

# 2022 Conference on Political Violence and Democratic Backsliding

WZB Berlin Social Science Center

October 6-7, 2022 – Room A300

## Final Program (as of 28 September 2022)

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### THURSDAY, 6 October 2022

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| 08:30-09:00 | Check-in  |
| 09:00-09:15 | Welcome Address and Introduction  |
| 09:15-10:30 | <b><u>Session 1: Political Violence in Interwar Europe</u></b><br>Session chair: Ursula Daxecker<br><br><b>Nils-Christian Bormann: <i>Introduction to the DANGER project: "Democracy, Anger, and Elite Responses"</i></b><br>Discussant: Tore Wig<br><br><b>Michael Bernhard: <i>"Postrevolutionary Democracy and Fatal Polarization in Weimar Germany"</i></b><br>Discussant: Daniel Ziblatt |
| 10:30-10:45 | Coffee Break  |
| 10:45-12:00 | <b><u>Session 2: The Far-Right and Political Violence in Germany</u></b><br>Session chair: Sebastian Hellmeier<br><br><b>Sophia Hunger: <i>"Better Alone than in Bad Company? The (De)-Mobilizing Effect of Violence and Far-right Involvement on Anti-system Protest Behavior"</i></b><br>Discussant: -  |

**Sascha Riaz: “Does Inequality Foster Xenophobia? Evidence from the German Refugee Crisis”**

Discussant: Daniel Saldivia Gonzatti

**12:00-13:15**

**Lunch Break**

*Lunch will be served at the WZB*

**13:15-15:00**

**Session 3: Radicalization, Polarization and Institutions**

Session chair: Liliana Mason

**Hanne Fjelde: “Violent Elections and Citizen Support for Democratic Checks and Balances: Evidence from Nigeria”**

Discussant: Alexandra Scacco

**Ursula Daxecker and Neeraj Prasad: “Voting for Violence: Support for Party Violence in India”**

Discussant: Elizabeth Nugent

**Aurel Croissant: “Democratization, Autocratization and Political Violence in South and Southeast Asia”**

Discussant: Vanessa Boese-Schlösser

**15:00-15:15**

**Coffee Break**

**15:15-16:30**

**Panel 4: Radicalization, Networks and Violence**

Session chair: Daniel Ziblatt

**Daniel Saldivia Gonzatti and Teresa Völker: “Discourse Networks of the Far Right: How Far-right Actors Influence Mainstream Debates in Germany”**

Discussant: Sebastian Hellmeier

**Liliana Mason: “Radical Partisanship - Violent Partisan Views in Today's Democracy”**

Discussant: Swen Hutter

**16:30-16:45**

**Conclusion of First Conference Day**

**18:30**

**Dinner at Restaurant *acht&dreissig***

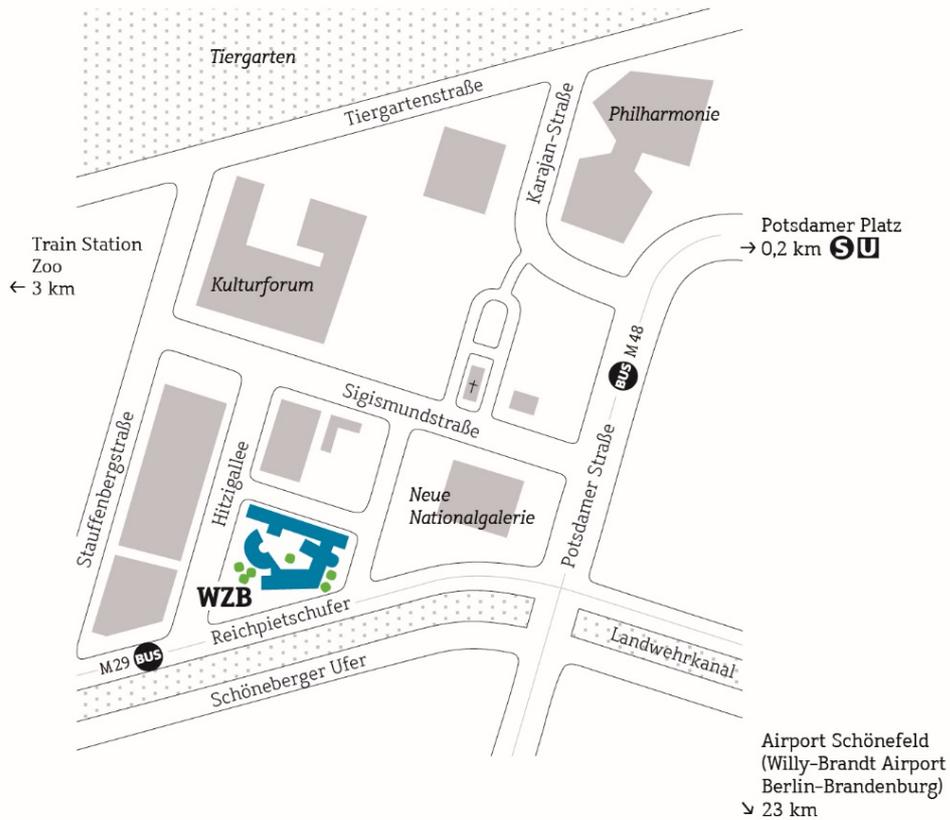
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FRIDAY, 7 October 2022

- 09:00-09:15**      **Introduction to Second Conference Day**
- 09:15-10:30**      **Session 5: Elites, Institutions and Violence in Democracies**  
Session chair: Aurel Croissant
- Tore Wig: “Elite Commitments to Political Non-violence in Consolidated Democracies: Experimental Evidence from Norway”**  
Discussant: Liliana Mason
- Daniel Ziblatt: “Democratic Semi-Loyalty: Revisiting Juan Linz with the Case of France on 6th of February, 1934”**  
Discussant: Nils-Christian Bormann
- 10:30-10:45**      **Coffee Break**
- 10:45-12:00**      **Session 6: Violence and Regime Transformation**  
Session chair: Neeraj Prasad
- Ashutosh Varshney and Connor Staggs: “Modi’s India, Jim Crow America: Democratic Backsliding and Political Violence”**  
Discussant: Michael Bernhard
- Sebastian Hellmeier: “The Long Arm and the Iron Fist: Transnational Repression and Authoritarian Crackdowns”**  
Discussant: Aurel Croissant
- 12:00-13:30**      **Lunch Break**  
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- 13:30-15:00**      **Session 7: Media, Polarization and Violence**  
Session chair: Sophia Hunger
- Sabine Carey: “The Impact of Media on Attitudes in Post-war Societies: Insights from a Natural Experiment.”**  
Discussant: Ashutosh Varshney
- Laia Balcells: “Issues, Media, and Polarization in Spain” (online)**  
Discussant: Sascha Riaz
- 15:00-16:00**      **Coffee Break and Concluding Remarks**
- 16:00-18:30**      **Recreational Break**
- 18:30-21:00**      **Informal Get Together ‘Avenues for Research on Democracy and Violence’ (optional)**

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