

# What's the Problem with Populism?

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Populism is a central concept in current media debates about politics and elections. However, like most political buzzwords, the term often floats from one meaning to another, and both social scientists and journalists use it to denote diverse phenomena. What is populism really? Who are the populist leaders? And what is the relationship between populism and democracy? The lecture will illustrate the practical power of populist forces of the modern era, such as European right-wing parties, left-wing presidents in Latin America, and the Tea Party movement in the United States.

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