

Hybrid symposium and public lecture

## The Bristol School of Multiculturalism: Enduring relevance, gaps and ways forward

Jointly hosted by Swansea University's Comparative Politics and Policy Research Centre, the Cultures and Communities Research Institute, and the University of Bristol Centre for the Study of Ethnicity and Citizenship.

Date: 17 November 2025

### Symposium

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#### 10:00-10:10 **Opening remarks**

Pier-Luc Dupont, Swansea University, Director of Comparative Politics and Policy Research Centre

Jon Fox, University of Bristol, Director of the Centre for the Study of Ethnicity and Citizenship

#### **Session 1 Diversity, belonging and recognition**

Moderator: Erdem Dikici, University of the West of England

10:10-10:25 Theorising political belonging: The Bristol School and diverse membership in contemporary political communities

Clayton Chin, University of Melbourne

10:25-10:40 Populism, working-class dislocation, and the making of a multicultural civil society

Sam Taylor Hill, Bristol Centre for the Study of Ethnicity and Citizenship

10:40-11:10 Q&A

11:10-11:20 Break

## **Session 2 Religion, secularism and legal pluralism**

Moderator: Thomas Sealy, University of Bristol

11:20-11:35 Accommodating transnational religious diversity: Liberal secularisms, multiculturalized secularism and transnational religion

Erdem Dikici, University of the West of England

11:35-11:50 From selective secularism to transcultural agency in Spain's religious diversity governance

Zakaria Sajir, University of Salamanca

11:50-12:05 Navigating legal pluralism: Muslim family practices and state responses in Britain

Fouzia Azzouz, University of Algiers II

12:05-12:50 Q&A

12:50-13:00 Break

## **Session 3 Multiculturalism in comparative perspective**

Moderator: Pier-Luc Dupont, Swansea University

13:00-13:15 Building a multicultural nation: Learning from multicultural policy and practice in postcolonial Singapore

Rebecca Grace Tan, National University of Singapore

13:15-13:30 Assessing multiculturalism's cross-national fate with greater accuracy: Why we need a Bristol School of Multiculturalism Index

Arjun Tremblay, University of Regina

13:30-14:00 Q&A

14:00-14:15 **Closing remarks**

Erdem Dikici, University of the West of England

Thomas Sealy, University of Bristol

## Public lecture

Venue: Zoom and Swansea University, Singleton Campus, Faraday Lecture Theatre

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### **18:00-20:00 Multiculturalism, Islamophobia and antisemitism**

Tariq Modood FBA, University of Bristol, Founder of the Bristol School of Multiculturalism

Hosted by David Turner, Swansea University, Director of the Cultures and Communities Research Institute

\*\* The lecture will be followed by a drinks reception.