

IARPP Australia presents

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Seminar Part 2



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The Dread of Woman: Sex, Gender, and Race in Totalitarian Regimes

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Seminar Description:

As citizens, we are witnessing a global turn towards neo-fascism. Utilizing a social-historical- psychoanalytic lens, this seminar queries the allure of these regimes, while attempting to penetrate their deep structure. This course will suggest that eroticized anxieties around sex and gender are foundational to these regimes. The dread of woman; the male fear of castration: these reverberate with the loss of white power AND with a lost imaginary of white purity. In these recurrent epochs, there are themes that we witness today: fear of deviant contagion and blood poisoning by the Other; homoerotic taboos and homoerotic enticement; the idealization of phallic leaders, traditional families and gravid women; the demonization of female desire and 'mongrel babies'.

In Part 2: To sustain their power, these regimes sanctify erotic repression, even as they violate their own moralism. The fascist crowd always constructs, and persecutes, a category of 'deviance' that resides in the Other. This category of 'deviance' includes all culturally 'unregulated' bodies; it is written on race and ethnicity, and it legitimates eroticized violence. We will look at the fascist portrait of women, trans, and homosexuality throughout history. In these structures, 'gender fluidity' is attacked in the Other, even as gender fluidity is wholly owned by fascist women. We will keep asking why fascism has such a dread of woman AND why fascist women embrace their own oppression.

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Participation available via Zoom Teleconferencing.

A ZOOM LINK WILL BE SENT TO THE EMAIL ADDRESS USED TO REGISTER
ONE DAY PRIOR TO THE SEMINAR

Date:	Saturday 17 May 2025
Time:	9.00 to 11.00 am - Australian Eastern Standard Time (Sydney)
Venue:	This seminar will be solely on Zoom
Cost:	IARPP Aust members \$70 per seminar Non-members \$85 per seminar

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