



Democracy and Representation

On the Relevance and Importance of Eric Voegelin's Theory of Representation

The relationship between democracy and representation is one of the basic questions of political science and philosophy. A crisis of representation, as is currently being diagnosed in western democracies, has actually been a persistent issue from their very beginning. This conference tries to shed light on the topic from different perspectives and will in particular discuss the question of the extent to which Eric Voegelin's political theory can contribute to a better understanding of the problem of representation.

Organized by:

Voegelin-Zentrum (Geschwister-Scholl-Institut / LMU München)

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Friday, December 3rd, 2021

4:00–7:00 pm CET

Nicoletta Scotti Muth (Milan) / Christian Schwaabe (Munich): *Opening Remarks*

Giuliana Parotto (Trieste): *Introduction*

Giuseppe Duso (Padua): *Die Repräsentation jenseits der repräsentativen Demokratie*
[*Representation beyond representative democracy*]

Bernat Torres Morales / Roger Castellanos (Barcelona): *Voegelin on Hobbes:*
The idea of the everlasting constitution

Anton Schütz (Vienna): *Voegelin's Ordnungskonzeption und die rezente These vom ‚normalen‘
Ausnahmestand* [Voegelin's concept of order and the recent theory of a ‚normalised‘ state of
emergency]

Saturday, December 4th, 2021

9:30–12:00 am CET

Gabriele De Anna (Udine / Bamberg): *Representation and political identity*

Arpad Szakolczai (Cork / Florence): *Representation: From principle to trick*

Giuliana Parotto (Trieste): *Konstitutioneller und existentieller Sinn der Repräsentation:*
Eric Voegelin und die Krise der repräsentativen Demokratie [The elemental and existential concept
of representation: Eric Voegelin and the crisis of representative democracy]

The two-day event will be held as an online conference via ZOOM. Participation is without any fees and open to anyone who is interested in attending.

Please register using the following link / QR code:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUKduuqqjoiHNJlx2IZ5Fm8CA5XQjsq3xu1>

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