

# Nationalism's Futures

## Call for Papers - Sociology Special Issue

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### **Deadline for submission of full papers: 10 June 2019**

In the context of political upheaval across the globe, and as contemporary nation-states are implementing new ways of policing their borders, a renewed sociological interest in nationalism is emerging. The aim of this special issue of *Sociology* is to explore how sociology as a discipline can contribute to understanding this moment. A decade ago, sociologists were writing about the end of nationalism, for example in the context of post-national citizenship or globalisation. Yet developments such as Brexit, trade wars, the rise of populist political groups such as PSL in Brazil, the Freedom Party in Austria and the Bharatiya Janata Party in India, religious nationalism, techno-nationalism and also the collapse of nations pose a challenge to such pronouncements. How are sociologists to develop ways of understanding how nationalist ideologies and policies are evolving and the consequences of these? We invite submissions from sociologists across the globe to explore issues such as the following:

- What has sociology's contribution been to understanding the emergence and development of nationalism?
- How can sociology contribute to understanding nationalism's present and future?
- What has the role of the social sciences been in construction nations, for example through methodological nationalism?
- How can past and current developments in nationalism be understood through a postcolonial lens?
- How do borders define national or social identity and how they are policed?
- What role do issues of race and culture (e.g. language) play in the recent rise in nationalism?
- What are the various social and political consequences of nationalist agendas?
- How are the tensions between globalisation and nationalism to be understood?
- How are a range of global issues – such as the unequal provision of food and energy, or climate change – affecting what is happening to nationalism?
- How are old and emergent forms of nationalism lived on the ground?



The list above is indicative, not exhaustive. Papers can be based on any form of data or evidence. All papers should speak to broader patterns; in other words, if using a case study, this should be situated in a wider context so as to consider what the implications of this case are for how sociology as a discipline understands nationalism.

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