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Media Alert:
[Nationalist and xenophobic movements in North America and Europe should learn from post-war citizenship narratives of inclusion and reconstruction](#)


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"The recent resurgence of nationalist and xenophobic movements in North America and Europe has in part been powered by the deployment of particular narratives of the past, especially narratives about migration, settlement, and belonging. Yet, Europe's experience in the post-war period shows that narratives of the past can also be used to foster inclusion..." [See more](#)

Some of the in depth discussions will take place next week (08.24/25) at UVic during the conference "Narratives of Memory, Migration, and Xenophobia: Intercultural Dialogues".

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Media Alert: Border and migration scholars available to the public

Canadian and European experts on border and migration engage with the public on Monday April 10th at the University of Victoria. Topics of discussions are the (re)enforcement of Europe's borders, and proposals for border walls and fences in North America. Speakers are coming from Denmark, Germany, The Netherlands, and Canada (Quebec and Victoria). Join us for the event ([Public Symposium: Walls, Migration and Border Cooperation](#)) or contact our experts. Scholars are open to media interviews and comments.

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Canada Europe Dialogue on Border and Migration - Experts available for interviews

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**Spain's general election:
Four visions of and for Spain**

Spain is heading into an early election in the midst of a deep constitutional crisis over Catalonia, a series of corruption scandals that have eroded trust in politics, and the emergence of a right wing party. In a highly controversial and divisive campaign two competing coalition governments on the left and on the right have crystalized as the most likely option for Spain's new government.

Read Pablo Ouziel's (University of Victoria) [take on Spain's election and the campaigns leading up to it](#)

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**Media Alert:
Swedish general election
2018: a right-wing surge?**

There is much uncertainty associated with the outcomes of the general election in Sweden on September 9. What seems certain, however, is that the far-right anti-immigration Sweden Democrats (SD) will make great gains in both votes and mandates from the previous election in 2014 when the party received 12.9 percent of the votes. According to the polls, SD may win something between 18 and 25 percent of the votes. Despite the increased support, the SD will not participate in the next Swedish government. The most likely outcome of the general election is

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Media Alert:
Merkel's path to victory and the rise of the extreme right


On Sunday, Germans will head to the polls after an election campaign that has largely been void of excitement and perceived by many simply as uninspiring. There has not been a great desire for political change in a country that mastered the economic turmoil of the past years relatively well. Most observers agree that Angela Merkel will succeed in securing a fourth term as Germany's chancellor. The most recent surveys put the governing Christian Democrats solidly in the lead even if their numbers have slipped slightly lately. The longing for stability and continuity is the dominant sentiment in the German public overshadowing any frustration with twelve years of rule under Chancellor Merkel's leadership.

Full Media alert:
[Merkel's path to victory and the rise of the extreme right](#)

EUCAnet.org Expert Comment by Dr. Oliver Schmidtke, Centre for Global Studies, University of Victoria



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EUCAnet.org expert on Austria, Nationalism, Cultural Studies, Popular Culture

Expert is available for interviews

Media Alert:
[Elections in Austria: Refugee and Migration Issues Move Austria to the Right](#)

Last Sunday, Austria elected a new government. Less than a year after the Green party-backed social liberal, ...the Conservatives landed a solid first place with 31.47% of the popular vote (a plus of 7.48%), the Social Democrats hung on to second place with 26.9% (+/-0), and the Freedom party ended up with 26% (a plus of 5.46%) of the vote...


There can be no doubt that the refugee issue, in conjunction with a well-established xenophobia and fear of migrants among large parts of the population, were the dominant issues for this desire for change in an affluent and stable country.. What are the likely consequences of this election? ...

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