

Populist Ecologies



Presentation followed by commentary, Q&A.

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For further information, contact Ruth Evans 0118 378 7755 r.evans@reading.ac.uk Right-wing variants of populism are on the rise across the globe, creating new patterns of interaction between society and the environment. These new socio-ecological relationships - dubbed 'populist ecologies' – are not homogenous and, instead, can vary from country to country and populist to populist. In this presentation, I will explore two particular rightwing populist ecologies: the government of Jair Bolsonaro in Brazil (2019 onwards) and the politics of Matteo Salvini in Italy. In doing so, I will highlight complexity of the relationship contemporary right-wing populism and the environment – and the ways in which populist ecologies may act to conceal the more-nefarious elements of the populist moment.

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