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### Quantifying Populist Belief Judeo-Christianity, Judaism in PVV discourse

If one takes current debates on Islam, the 'judeo-christian' west and migration as a starting point, contemporary populism is all about religion. But is it? When Geert Wilders writes to the pope claiming that atheism arises out of Christianity, or when Judeo-Christianity is invoked to outlaw ritual slaughter, what are we talking about? Is this religion? Or, as many critics have stated, is this 'mere populism'?

This paper takes as its starting point the assumption that in populist discourse we are witness a re-imagination of the role of religion and secularity in post-secular societies. This paper will map, analyse and compare the roles of religion and secularity in right-wing populist discourse. It is well known that contemporary right-wing populism places 'Islam' in opposition to the secular West. It is considerably less well-known that they also present secular values, such as atheism, separation of Church and State as Christian or Judeo-Christian in essence. This generates a number of important conceptual questions: how to approach these seemingly paradoxical references to religion and secularity?

In order to grasp the pluriform and seemingly contradictory elements of populist religious discourse, we will first outline the way in which populism challenges the conceptual apparatus frequently used to make sense of populist discourse on religion. Subsequently, we map a small number of dominant tropes in populist discourse. Through analysis of all official PVV twitter accounts (using Twitter Capture and Analysis Toolset) and PEGIDA's Facebook pages (using Netvizz), we will use a 'bottom up' approach in order to craft a preliminary definition of religion and secularity in populist discourse. Concluding, we argue that far from being mere populism, this discursive practice can productively be characterized as a profoundly influential post-secular imagination.

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