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## **Ideologies and Ideological Conflict: The Political Psychology of Belief Systems**

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Ideologies play a major role in politics and have done so for at least the last three hundred years since the term was coined during the French Revolution. Political views on the left and right shed light on some of the major political conflicts of modern times. New ideological perspectives such as green politics, feminism, and religious fundamentalism have broadened the range of political thought and beliefs that shape the character of political discourse. Political psychology was founded, in part, on the desire to understand political ideologies and their adherents and recent research has richly advanced this line of enquiry. This meeting will highlight the important and diverse contributions of political psychology to an understanding of political ideologies and their effect on politics and conflict in a global context.

We welcome individual papers and posters, as well entire panels and roundtables, which present theory and research on political ideologies and belief systems. In addition to research on traditional lines of ideological conflict, we encourage submissions on newer and emerging belief systems across the world. Research can draw on all of the theoretical perspectives and methods in the field of political psychology including, but not limited to, social communications, personality, leadership, values, cognitive and motivational processes, intergroup relations, collective action, and genetic and biological factors. We are particularly interested in proposals that provide new theoretical or empirical insights into the foundations of ideologies as well as research that examines conditions under which ideologies lead to political conflict and when they can help foster cooperation.

We also welcome panels, papers, posters, and roundtables on any topic in political psychology. The program chairs are interested in bringing together new research from the fields of psychology, political science, sociology, anthropology, biology, communications, economics, and philosophy. We hope to create an exciting intellectual exchange that will enrich political psychology and help us better understand the dynamics of politics in the world today.

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