2nd Istanbul Critical Theory Conference in Exile

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Arendt & Critical Theory Today.

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### Istanbul Critical Theory Conference: Arendt and Critical Theory Today
Carl von Ossietzky University Oldenburg
Thursday, July 13, 2017

**9:30-10:00**  Registration

**10.00-10.30**  Welcoming Address by Volkan Çidam, Gaye Demiryol, Zeynep Gambetti, Philip Hagh and Julia König

**10.30-12.30**  Keynote Address: Lars Rensmann (University of Groningen): Revolt and Delusion: Understanding Contemporary Populism with Arendt and Adorno

**12.30-13.30**  Lunch Break

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**13.30-15.30**  Parallel Panels

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Zahid Chaudary (Princeton): Arendt and Impunity  
Thomas Wittendorff (Florence): Contesting Guilt: Arendt’s Denktagebuch and her Attempt to Reconceptualize Guilt  
Larry Alan Busk (Eugene): Arendt, Adorno, and 'Post-Truth' Politics  
Anne Rethmann (Berlin): Chaotic turmoil - When opinion lacks judgment  
Masadeh Maria Sozmen (Santa Barbara): Arendtian Understanding of Truth, Lying and Action: Defactualization and Dehistoricization of the Armenian Genocide |
| Arendt and Adorno II (A 14, 0030)                                     |                                               | Renaud-Selim Sanfil (Brussels): The framework of the Nation-State and International Humanitarian Law under Trial  
Floris Biskamp (Kassel): Democratic Iterations and the Right to Have Rights. The Political Theory of Borders and the Critique of Ideology  
Enrico Pau (Oldenburg): Arendt and a critical theory of human rights  
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