

THE NEXT DEMOCRACY TRANSFORMING PARADIGMS, INSTITUTIONS AND THE MARKET

On 28 June, the Democracy Lab of Das Progressive Zentrum will host the second Innocracy - Conference in Berlin.

Traditionally, the main focus of liberal democracies has been to provide the framework for citizens to lead “good lives”, often with an exclusive focus on material prosperity. Economic growth and social mobility were at the core of the “social contract” and helped to legitimise the post-War political system.

Today, the **ecological crisis and rising inequality** challenge this long-lasting political focus. In addition, **automation and digitisation** have a transformative impact on the labour market and the social system. The **rise of authoritarian and illiberal movements** demonstrates the vulnerability of liberal democracy, as they attack fundamental values of liberal democracy and put into question collective identities.

These challenges are fundamental. They require new answers – **democracy will not be saved by defending the status quo**. Thus, to preserve the core values and principles of democracy, we will have to rethink society in all its aspects. **Innocracy 2018 invites you to confront the systemic challenges democracy must overcome in order to survive.**

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Thursday 28 June 2018

9.30am - 6.00pm

Kalkscheune Berlin

Johannisstraße 2 | 10117 Berlin

A range of international thinkers and practitioners will host co-creation sessions, debates and talks on the following topics:



SYSTEMIC REFORM

How must democratic institutions and structures change to serve citizens in times of fundamental transformation?



SUSTAINABLE DEMOCRACY

How can political and economic systems, i.e. democracies and markets, be integrated in the boundaries of our eco-system?



DIGITAL DEMOCRACY

Which kind of governance does it take to make technological progress compatible with the “social contract”?



COMMUNITY & BELONGING

How can we create individual and collective identities that serve as drivers to build the next democracy?

After the conference, Das Progressive Zentrum invites you to join the **summer party of Das Progressive Zentrum** at the same location (6.30pm-open end).

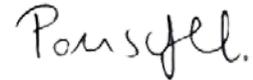
We are currently **looking for partners** to support us - either within one of the thematic clusters or for the summer party. Please do not hesitate to contact us at democracylab@progressives-zentrum.org if you are interested in participating in this conference!



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THE DEMOCRACY LAB



Das Progressive Zentrum launched the *Democracy Lab* in April 2017. It offers a space for creative, interdisciplinary and international exchange. As a collaborative platform, our objective is to translate ideas coming from civil society into practical recommendations for decision-makers in the field of democratic innovation. Our projects cover a wide range of topics, from digital democracy, the engagement of young people in politics to the issue of representativity and trust.

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Das Progressive Zentrum, located in Berlin, is an independent and non-profit think tank. The aim of *Das Progressive Zentrum* is to foster new networks of progressive actors from different backgrounds and to promote innovative politics as well as economic and social progress. In this respect, *Das Progressive Zentrum* gathers mainly young thinkers and decision-makers from Germany and Europe in its progressive debates.

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