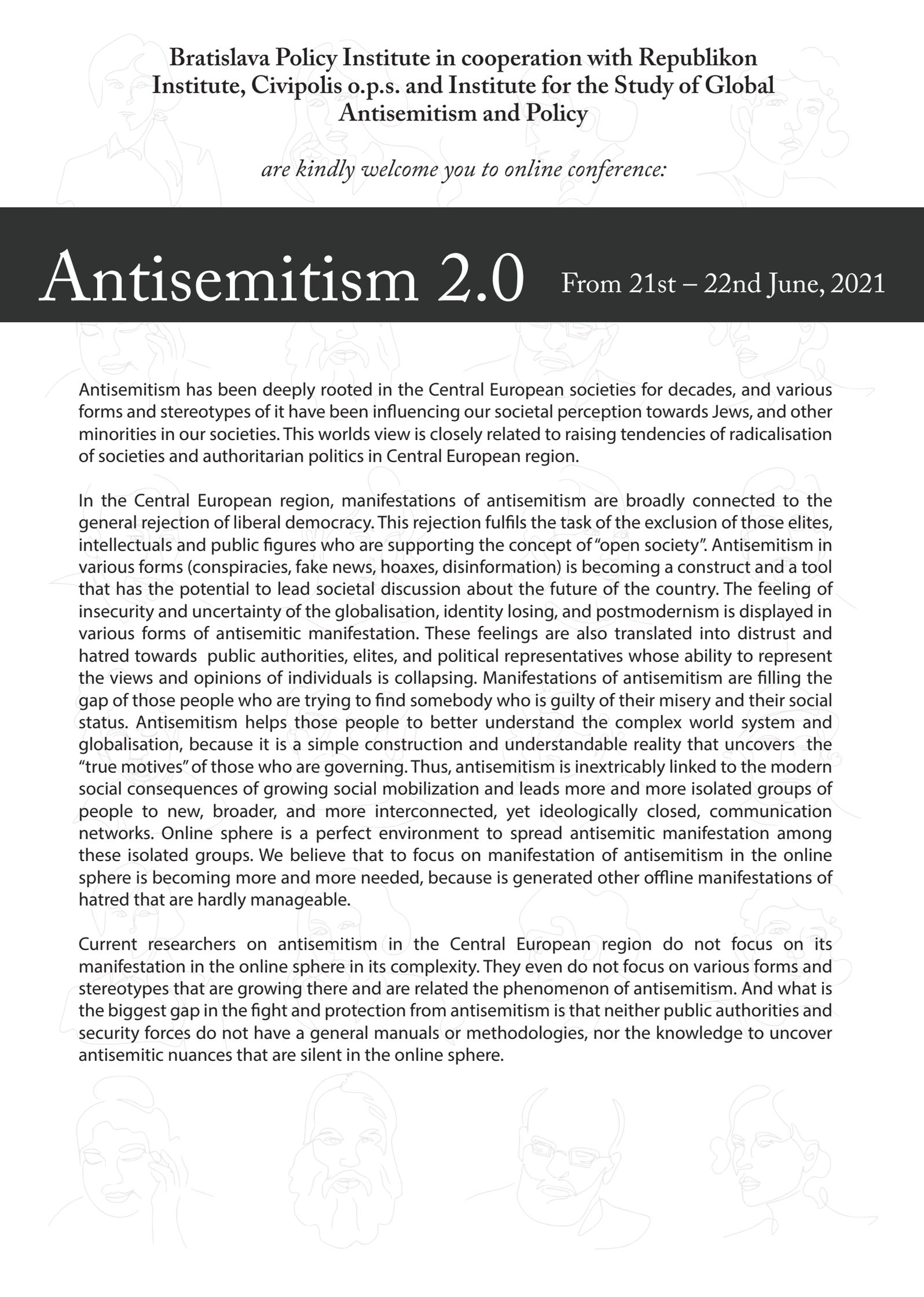


# Online Conference



# Antisemitism 2.0

Manifestations of Antisemitism at Online Sphere in  
Central European Region



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Antisemitism has been deeply rooted in the Central European societies for decades, and various forms and stereotypes of it have been influencing our societal perception towards Jews, and other minorities in our societies. This worlds view is closely related to raising tendencies of radicalisation of societies and authoritarian politics in Central European region.

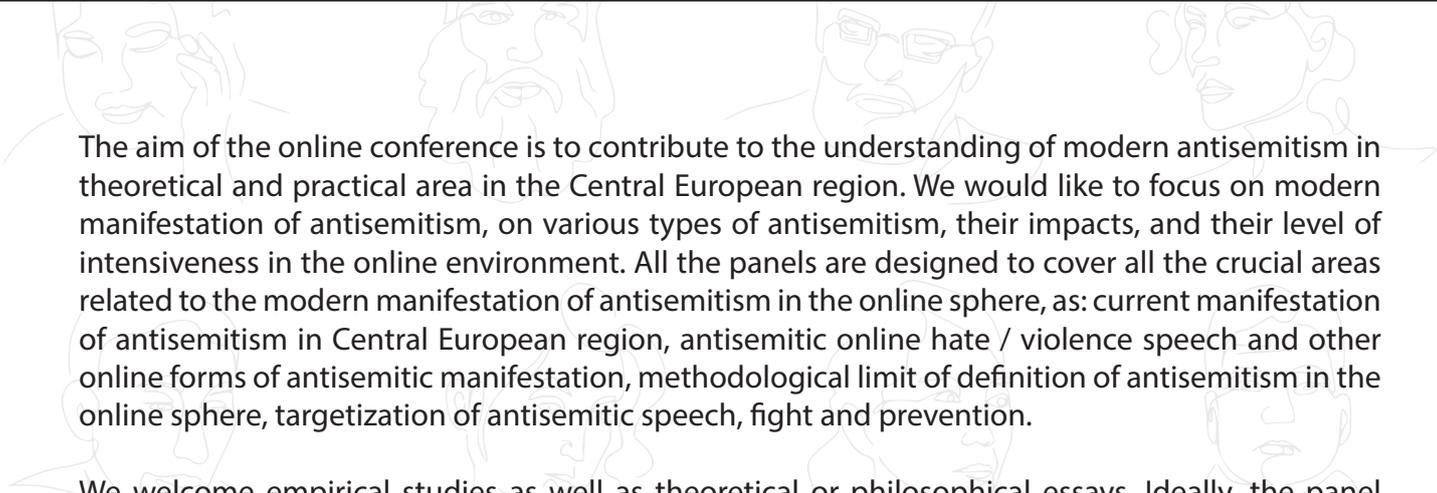
In the Central European region, manifestations of antisemitism are broadly connected to the general rejection of liberal democracy. This rejection fulfils the task of the exclusion of those elites, intellectuals and public figures who are supporting the concept of “open society”. Antisemitism in various forms (conspiracies, fake news, hoaxes, disinformation) is becoming a construct and a tool that has the potential to lead societal discussion about the future of the country. The feeling of insecurity and uncertainty of the globalisation, identity losing, and postmodernism is displayed in various forms of antisemitic manifestation. These feelings are also translated into distrust and hatred towards public authorities, elites, and political representatives whose ability to represent the views and opinions of individuals is collapsing. Manifestations of antisemitism are filling the gap of those people who are trying to find somebody who is guilty of their misery and their social status. Antisemitism helps those people to better understand the complex world system and globalisation, because it is a simple construction and understandable reality that uncovers the “true motives” of those who are governing. Thus, antisemitism is inextricably linked to the modern social consequences of growing social mobilization and leads more and more isolated groups of people to new, broader, and more interconnected, yet ideologically closed, communication networks. Online sphere is a perfect environment to spread antisemitic manifestation among these isolated groups. We believe that to focus on manifestation of antisemitism in the online sphere is becoming more and more needed, because is generated other offline manifestations of hatred that are hardly manageable.

Current researchers on antisemitism in the Central European region do not focus on its manifestation in the online sphere in its complexity. They even do not focus on various forms and stereotypes that are growing there and are related the phenomenon of antisemitism. And what is the biggest gap in the fight and protection from antisemitism is that neither public authorities and security forces do not have a general manuals or methodologies, nor the knowledge to uncover antisemitic nuances that are silent in the online sphere.



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The aim of the online conference is to contribute to the understanding of modern antisemitism in theoretical and practical area in the Central European region. We would like to focus on modern manifestation of antisemitism, on various types of antisemitism, their impacts, and their level of intensiveness in the online environment. All the panels are designed to cover all the crucial areas related to the modern manifestation of antisemitism in the online sphere, as: current manifestation of antisemitism in Central European region, antisemitic online hate / violence speech and other online forms of antisemitic manifestation, methodological limit of definition of antisemitism in the online sphere, targetization of antisemitic speech, fight and prevention.

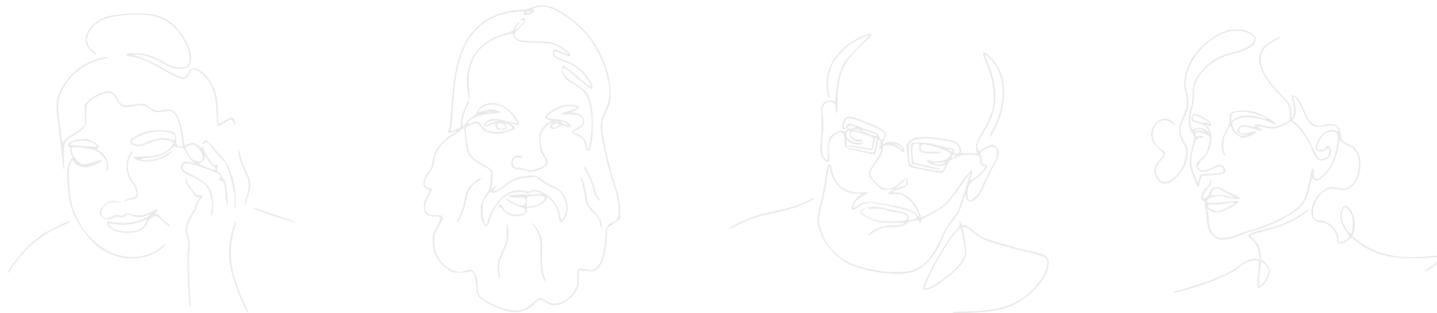
We welcome empirical studies as well as theoretical or philosophical essays. Ideally, the panel would host a mix of these approaches. Please send an abstract of no more than 500 words, as well as a short author biography, to [info@bpi.sk](mailto:info@bpi.sk) by 30th of April 2021 by 00:00 CET the latest. We will let you know by 4th of May 2021 if your abstract has been selected for our panel proposal.

It is expected that authors will submit only one (1) abstract. However, under no circumstances should there be more than two (2) abstracts bearing the name of the same author, either individually or as first author. Please note that it is mandatory for each accepted author to serve as a respondent for another presenter during the online conference. We accept abstract submissions in English. Note that the conference paper should be written in English only.

If your abstract is accepted, you will need to submit your full conference paper (3,000 to 6,000 words) by 15th of September 2021, in order to be included in the publication.

The conference is open, and attendance is free. The organizers reserve the right to personally invite speakers to speak directly in the place of the conference in front of an audience if the health situation will allow it and they will agree to it. The organizers will cover the expenses of such speakers (accommodation and travel cost).

We will keep you updated on the fate of our proposal as news reaches us.  
Thank you for your interest!





# Conference Themes

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## PANEL 1. Current trends and manifestation of Antisemitism in Central European region:

- New forms of antisemitism in CE region
- Comparison of various forms of antisemitism in CE and beyond
- Theoretical papers on new forms of antisemitism
- Regional specific and stereotypes of antisemitism in CE region
- Conspiracies and antisemitism

## PANEL 2. Antisemitism 2.0: violence, hate speech, hate crime and disinformation

- Online manifestations of antisemitism
- Old antisemitic stereotypes in new online forms
- New forms and trends of online antisemitism in CE region
- Comparison of various forms of online antisemitism in CE and beyond
- Regional specifics and stereotypes of online antisemitism in CE region

## PANEL 3. Methodological challenges and limits towards online antisemitism

- Categorisation of online antisemitism and potential limits of traditional definitions, categories
- A quantitative approach to understanding online antisemitism
- A quantitative approach to decoding silence issues of online antisemitism
- Measuring the antisemitic hate online

## PANEL 4. Antisemitism 2.0: Combat, counter and protect

- Targetization of online antisemitism
- Combatting online conspiracy theories
- Prevention on antisemitism on social media and online news platforms
- Prevention strategies and education possibilities for the youth
- Current community projects addressing antisemitism
- Empowerment through inspiration and skills building
- Addressing antisemitism in our societies

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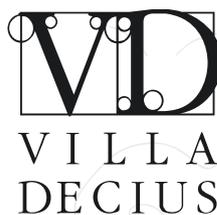
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