

Call for Abstracts

2026 EASP (Strasbourg) Preconference 'The Psychology of Reaction: Exploring Reactionary Social Movements Through Social Psychological Frameworks'

Event details: June 30, 2026 (9 am-5:30 pm); in-person

Deadline for submissions: 5th January 2026

Reactionary social movements have gained momentum globally in recent years, emerging in opposition to progressive social change and seeking to restore traditional values, identities, and power structures. These include far-right, anti-immigration and anti-gender movements that centre nationalism, traditionalism and white supremacy, and resistance to feminist progress, and LGBTIQ+ rights (to name a few).

This preconference will bring together researchers interested in understanding the emergence, appeal, and persistence of reactionary movements, as well as strategies to counter their influence. The preconference will feature a keynote address by Professor Julia Becker (University of Osnabrück), a series of talks and blitz presentations from attendees and conclude with a roundtable discussion focused on key challenges and opportunities in this area (including further collaboration opportunities within our community).

We particularly encourage submissions from scholars in Central and Eastern Europe, North and Latin America, and other regions where reactionary social movements are active but under-examined. We also welcome contributions from early-career researchers and scholars from historically marginalised groups, and the use of diverse methods and theoretical approaches.

Submission details:

We welcome submissions for 15-minute talks (empirical or theoretical research) and 5-minute blitz presentations (work in progress, emerging theoretical or methodological developments).

Abstracts (up to 1,500 characters including spaces) can be submitted via this link:

https://uniofqueensland.syd1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6ffTv4U20fwZGjc

Please note that each participant may register for only one pre-conference (fee: €60) and must also register for the General Meeting (see fee information [here](#)).

Key dates:

5th Jan 2026 – abstract submission deadline

25th Jan 2026 – notification of acceptance decisions

27th Mar 2026 – final program announced

30th June 2026 – event date

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