

# Right-wing Radicalism in Europe I. (fascism, nazism)



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# Typology of contemporary far right

- Authoritarian conservatism
- Fascism/neo-fascism
- Nazism/neo-nazism
- New populist right



# Historical development of the far right in Europe

End of the 19 <sup>th</sup> century	Authoritarian and anti-semitic groups
20's – 40's	Fascist and nazi movements
50's – to the present	Neo-fascist, neo-nazi parties
80's – to the present	Neo-nazi subcultures
80's - to the present	New populist right

# Fascism and nazsim

Common ideas:

- Irrationalism
- Social darwinism
- Nationalism
- The state
- The leadership principle
- Racism (more in the national socialism)
- Anti-communism (Sargent 1981: 132)

German national socialism:  
antisemitism, German  
„Lebensraum“, „New European  
Order“ under German Nazi-  
leadership

Italian Fascim: corporativism



# Theories of fascism

- Social pathology
- Reaction to communism
- Instrument of capital and conservative forces



# Neofascism and neo-nazism

- Movements, groups and parties with similar goals and methods as historical fascism or nazism.
- Post-fascism/nazism: organizational and ideological links
- Neo-fascism/nazism: only ideological links



# Neo-fascist and neonazi parties

- Fascism/nazism is a question of identity.
- Real goals are not included in programmes (impossible democratic law system), except illegal parties
- Mainly marginal position within party systems, except the National democratic party of Germany (NPD) in Saxony and Social Alternative – List of Mussolini (AS-LM) in European Parliament (from Italy)
- Transnational European Organization: European National Front (ENF)



# Other Forms of neo-fascism and neonazim

Think-tanks	Institutes (a. o. revisionist institutes), journals etc.
Subcultures	Neo-fascist or neo-nazi skinheads, punks, grufties White Power Music Blood & Honour, Hammerskins Nations
Insurgency (militant groups, networks and strategies)	Leaderless Resistance Combat 18, Anti-antifa Various forms of vigilantism Para-military groups (a. o. some military-fans)



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