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Polarisation, populism and violence
Technology, misinformation, and AI
Art and democratic innovations
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Basic information

What's BrIAS?

Located in the heart of Brussels, the **Brussels Institute for Advanced Studies (BrIAS)** was co-founded by the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB) and Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), the two leading universities in Brussels. Their origin goes back 150 years. Six Nobel laureates, two Abel prizes, two Fields medals and three Wolf prize laureates were professors and/or alumni of the universities.

Both universities strive to **break down the walls of ignorance** and dogmatism by stimulating **ground-breaking research** at the highest level of creativity, **without taboos or prejudice**. This implies crossing boundaries and building bridges between disciplines and different socio-economic or cultural environments.

BrIAS hosts its Fellows at its premises on the Usquare site for up to five months, offering an interdisciplinary, collaborative, free-spirited environment, fostering mutual emulation and cross-fertilization of ideas.

Who's who?



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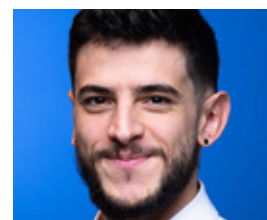
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Emergency contacts and procedure

Security is your first point of contact for incidents such as vandalism, theft, nuisances... etc. They are present on campus (see floorplan for the exact location of the security office) on weekdays until 22:00 and can be contacted via the number provided below or **dialing 7 on a red telephone**. They will immediately contact the emergency services if needed.

During the night and on weekends, if there is an emergency, please call Central ULB Dispatching.

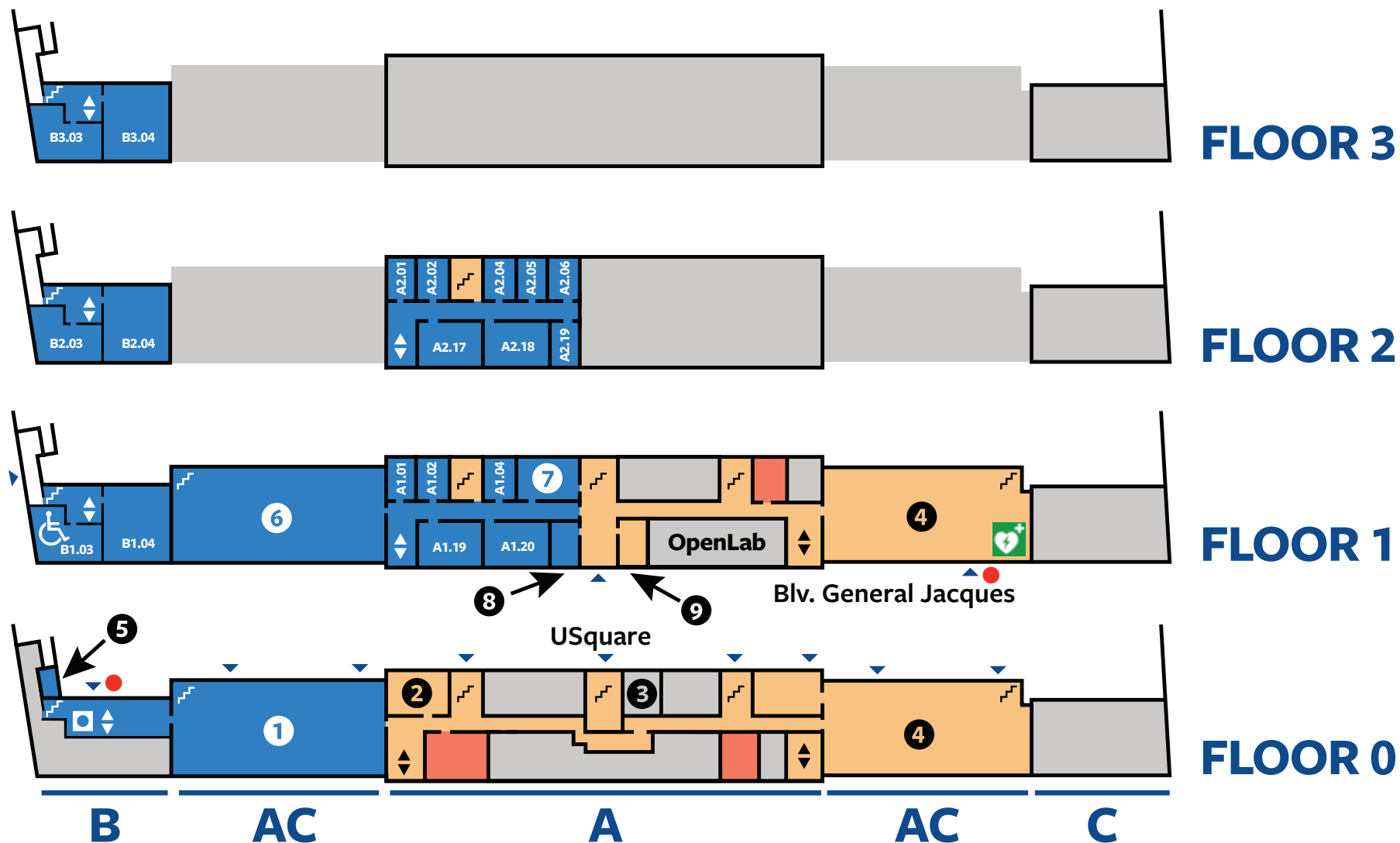
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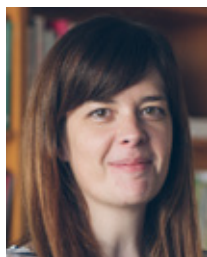
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| BrIAS premises | Laundry room | Seminar Hall/Foyer | Garbage room | Mail room |
| Common areas | Entrance | Bike room | Coworking space | Automatic defibrillator |
| Restricted areas | Intercom connected to dispatching | Security office | BrIAS offices | Stairs |
| Lavatories | | AC Hall | BrIAS meeting room | Lift |

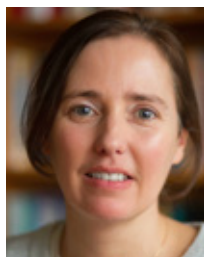
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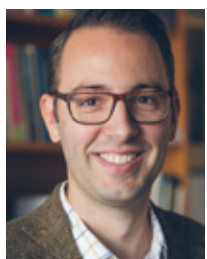


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He is one of the convenors of the Populism Specialist Group, one of the largest groups within the Political Studies Association in the United Kingdom and a major platform for critical studies on populism. He is also a member of several international research networks, including the Reactionary Politics Network, [Democracy, Signification and Resistance (DESIRE)], the Warwick Performance and Politics Network and the International Populism Research Network.

Keywords

populism; politics; performance; far-right; communication



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Keywords

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Mathieu Arsenault is an Associate Professor in the Department of History at the Université de Montréal and editor of the journal *Bulletin d'histoire politique*. A specialist of 19th-century Indigenous history in Canada, he obtained a PhD in history from York University (Toronto) in 2019. He is the author of several publications in Indigenous history and historiography and was awarded the Medal of Excellence in Research from the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Arts and Sciences in 2023. In 2026, he published the book *Ne rejette pas nos paroles: Politique autochtone et gouvernance coloniale au Canada (1815–1860)*.

A member of the Centre interuniversitaire d'études et de recherches autochtones (CIÉRA) and the Chaire de recherche en histoire contemporaine du Québec, his current research focuses on relations between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples, the dynamics between First Nations and the State, as well as medical colonialism in Quebec and Canada. He received an International Chair as part of his collaboration with the Université Libre de Bruxelles during the spring of 2027.

Keywords

populism; politics; performance; far-right; communication



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His research has been published by Oxford University Press and Cambridge University Press and has likewise appeared in specialised journals such as *Science*, *American Political Science Review*, or *British Journal of Political Science*.

Keywords

democracy; deliberation; citizen participation; institutions; democratic systems



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Sandrine Baume is a Full Professor at the University of Lausanne. Her research lies at the intersection of democratic theory and the history of political thought. She has focused in particular on institutions (such as constitutional courts), key actors (such as political parties), principles (including transparency and democratic self-defence), and practices (such as political compromise). Her extensive knowledge of legal scholars from the Weimar Republic has played a pivotal role in shaping her research and publications.

More recently, she has broadened her research to examine the political competence of people with intellectual disabilities, with particular attention to the role that the concept of autonomy plays in this debate.

Keywords

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political participation of people with disabilities



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His work has received international awards from the American Political Science Association, International Communication Association, and American Sociological Association. His book *The Hybrid Media System: Politics and Power* (Oxford University Press, 2013; 2nd ed., 2017) received the International Journal of Press/Politics Best Book Award.

He is also the author of *Internet Politics* and co-editor of *The Handbook of Internet Politics*. Andrew has published more than 120 academic and public-facing works and is founding series editor of *Oxford Studies in Digital Politics*. He has advised UK policymaking bodies on disinformation, AI, digital policy, and the BBC Royal Charter.

Keywords

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Bio

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Jolanda has served as co-Chief Editor of leading journals and held presidential roles in professional societies. Her honours include the Spearman Medal, Kurt Lewin Medal, and Lifetime Achievement Award from the European Association of Social Psychology. She is a Fellow of ASSA and has served on Australian and European research councils, as well as the Australian Government's BETA academic panel.

Keywords

economic inequality; social identity theory;
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Stathis N. Kalyvas is Gladstone Professor of Government and fellow of All Souls College at Oxford. He was, until 2018, the Arnold Wolfers Professor of Political Science at Yale University, where he founded and directed the Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence and co-directed the Hellenic Studies Program. In 2019 he founded the T. E. Lawrence Program on Conflict and Violence at All Souls College.

He is the author, among others, of *The Rise of Christian Democracy in Europe* (Cornell University Press, 1996) and *The Logic of Violence in Civil War* (Cambridge University Press, 2006). His work has received multiple awards and he was elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2008 and the British Academy in 2020. Since December 2023 he also serves as Chairman of the Board of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center.

Keywords

violent conflict; civil war; political violence



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Keywords

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Using experimental, qualitative, and mixed methods, he examines how disadvantaged groups navigate unequal social systems and how advantaged groups can be mobilised to recognise inequality and support social change. He recently completed an FMSH-funded study on multiple marginalisation among older queer migrants from Turkey in France. He currently leads the NWO-funded project “Reimagining Intergroup Apologies”, which explores community-centred approaches to intergroup apologies and social cohesion in contexts of polarisation and historical conflict.

Keywords

conflict; reconciliation; social identity; culture



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Specifically, she analyses the dynamics between patrons and protégés in military alliances. Her research agenda includes examining how protégés respond to patrons' military commitments and policy decisions, the interaction between a patron's military commitments and non-proliferation policies affecting its protégé, and the credibility of nuclear extended deterrence. She has investigated these topics using original large-N data and conducting archival research for in-depth case studies on the US-South Korea and China-North Korea alliances and their intra-alliance relations.

Keywords

alliance; nuclear weapons; international security; conflicts; Korea



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Leston-Bandeira was Chair (2020-26) and co-founder of the pioneering International Parliament Engagement Network (IPEN), having broken new ground as the first female academic Chair of the UK Study of Parliament Group (2019-22). She is a leading scholar on parliaments and public engagement and was awarded the UK Political Studies Association 2025 Sir Isaiah Berlin Prize for her outstanding professional contributions to political studies.

Keywords

parliament; public engagement; citizen engagement



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After completing a post-doctoral fellowship (JSPS-PD) and served as a Visiting Researcher at the CERC at Sorbonne Nouvelle University, she is currently an Assistant Professor at the Waseda Institute for Advanced Study. She received the Japanese Association of Comparative Literature Award in 2020.

Keywords

musicology; comparative literature



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Keywords

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His 2017 book *The Wealth Paradox* (co-authored with Jolanda Jetten and published by Cambridge University Press) has attracted international attention and praise for having debunked pervasive myths about populist parties and their voter base.

Keywords

political science; political psychology; election studies; populist parties



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Keywords

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His work has been published in journals such as the American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Perspectives on Politics, International Organization, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Democracy, and Sociological Methods & Research and in several books with Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press and Routledge.

Keywords

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Her work on the emotional dimension of activism has focused on understanding the impact of emotions at various stages of mobilization and on social and cultural change. Her latest book, *Llevamos un mundo nuevo en nuestros corazones: Una guía para construir una cultura emocional prefigurativa* (We Carry a New World in Our Hearts: A Guide to Building a Prefigurative Emotional Culture) (UNAM, 2026), demonstrates how emotions—as sociocultural constructs—are central to building the counter-hegemonic culture needed to create another world.

Keywords

emotions; social movements; activism; environmental; climate crisis



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Keywords

sociology; gender and queer studies; qualitative methodology



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Her work often compares new and established democracies and has appeared among others in Comparative European Politics, West European Politics, European Political Science Review, International Political Science Review, Party Politics, and Political Studies as well as in several edited book volumes.

Keywords

party system development; party politics; migration; gender; institutions



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Michael Saward is Emeritus Professor at the University of Warwick. A democratic theorist, he is author of *The Representative Claim* (Oxford UP 2010), *Making Representations* (ECPR Press and Rowman and Littlefield 2020) and *Democratic Design* (Oxford UP 2021).

In recent years he has been a visiting scholar at Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (Brazil), and Australian National University. International collaborations have in 2024 produced two new volumes: *Claiming and Contesting Representation in Mexico: Meanings, Practices and Settings* (edited by F. Castanos, S. Inclan and M. Saward) (Bristol: Bristol University Press 2024); and *Bodies, Spaces, Claims: The Theory and Practice of Performing Political Representation* (edited by P. Diehl and M. Saward) (Oxford: Oxford University Press 2024). Along with Shirin Rai (SOAS) and Warwick Theatre and Performance colleagues Silvija Jestrovic and Milija Gluhovic, he is co-editor of the Oxford Handbook of Politics and Performance (2021).

Keywords

representation; democracy; political theory



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political finance



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Setälä has led several large and multidisciplinary research projects. Currently, she leads the Research Group for Innovating Democracy (RIDE) at the University of Turku and is one of the four co-PIs in the ERC Synergy Project Advancing Digital Democratic Innovation ADDI (2025–2031).

Keywords

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Her main area of research is gender and politics, with a focus on how political parties and parliaments are shaped by gender dynamics and on resistance to the adoption and implementation of equalities policies. Her consultancy and governmental practice have also given her new insights into the possibilities and limitations of feminist institutional redesign.

Keywords

gender and politics; political parties; political representation;
adoption and implementation of equalities policies;
feminist institutional redesign

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Lizhou Wang studies the politics and governance of global knowledge relations, with a particular focus on higher education and research cooperation in East Asia. Her research examines how geopolitical tensions, power asymmetries, and institutional interests shape the production and circulation of knowledge across borders.

She is particularly interested in knowledge diplomacy and the role of universities as actors in international and regional cooperation. Her current work explores how cross-border academic collaboration is negotiated and sustained amid growing geopolitical fragmentation.

Keywords

knowledge diplomacy; higher education; geopolitics;
international research cooperation; global governance



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Bio

Anyuta Wiazemsky Snauwaert is a Brussels-based multidisciplinary artist whose practice draws on their studies in law, fine arts, and sociology. Working across visual arts, in-situ performance, theatre, and participatory art, they explore intimacy and the shifting boundaries between private and public, individual and collective. Their work examines how people create meaning and interact within social structures, while also investigating how personal experiences intersect with bureaucratic systems and legal frameworks.

Anyuta's work has been presented across Belgium, the Netherlands, Russia, Portugal, the UK, and India, including at the Red Star Line Museum, Kaaithéater, De Brakke Grond, and Kunsttempel. Their practice encompasses installations, performances, participatory projects, and lectures. Since 2016, they have collaborated with Kim Snauwaert on BETWEEN US, a long-term research project examining the intersections of art, law, and social structures. Collaboration, generosity, empathy, and social engagement are central to their approach, using personal experience as a space for public and political negotiation.

This residency is possible through the artistic residency programme of OHME, supported by the Visual Arts Commission of the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles.

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BrIAS Senior Fellows timeline

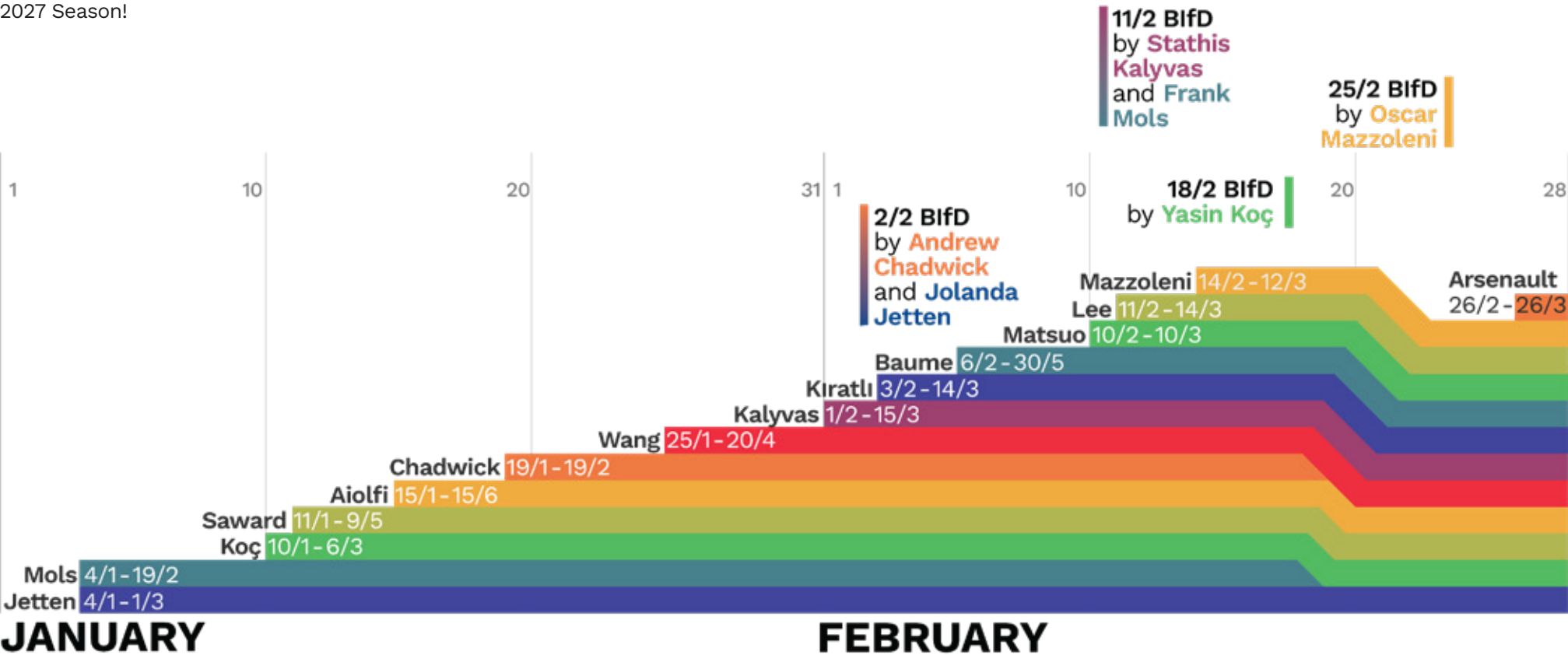
From January to June 2027, we will host our Senior Fellows at our headquarters in Brussels to foster collaboration among themselves, the ULB and VUB research teams, and the public at large.

The BrIAS Senior Fellows will be present during **various dates** from throughout the BrIAS Season. Don't miss any events, check who will be in house when with this timeline during the 2027 Season!



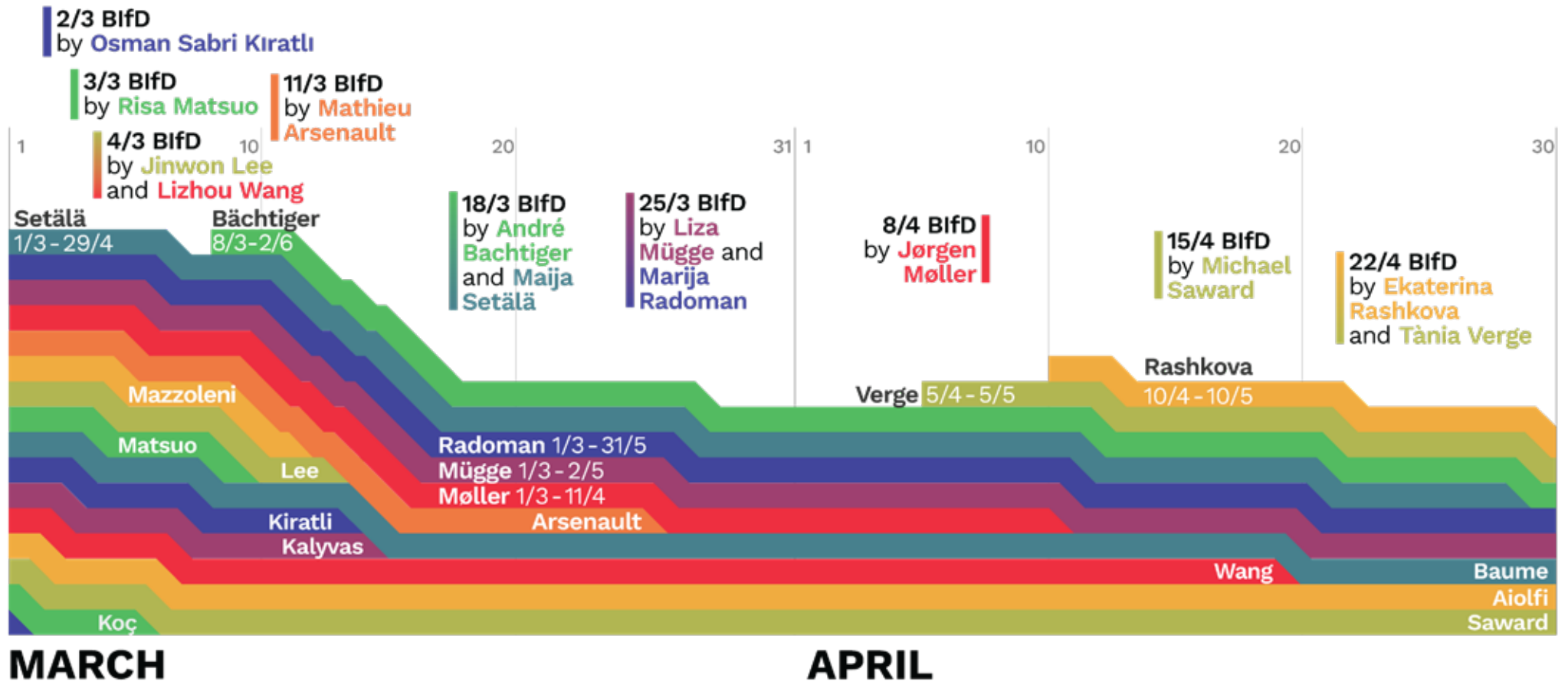
Big Ideas for Democracy

All throughout the 2027 Season, each of our BrIAS Senior Fellows will deliver a talk in our **Big Ideas for Democracy (BifD)** lecture series. These events, open to the public, are of general interest and showcase the state of the art of our Fellows' research interests.



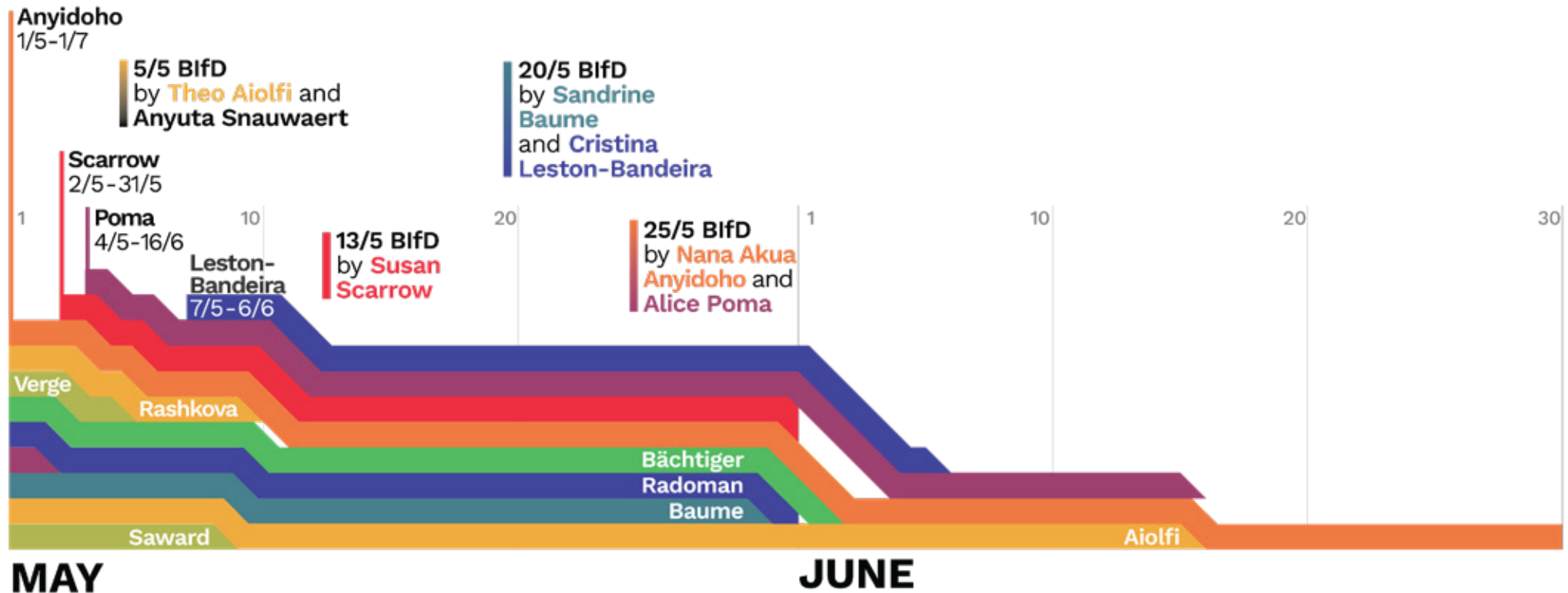
Workshop: Democratic Governance in Transition

From the 2nd to the 4th of March, we will host a 3-day workshop titled **Democratic Governance in Transition. Interdisciplinary Approaches to Polarization, AI, and Inclusion**, featuring talks from colleagues visiting from the **Waseda Institute for Advanced Study (WIAS)**, Japan; and the **Zukunftskolleg Konstanz (ZuKo)**, Germany.



What's in store for BriAS?

The next academic year of 2027-28 will see a new Programme Team develop a Season on Sustainable Development, lead by **Prof. Aurelie Bellemans** and **Prof. Alessandro Parente**. Stay tuned on our channels for the official announcements!



Mark your calendar! Highlights of the 2027 Season

Every Thursday

Lunchtime seminars and Big Ideas for Democracy Lecture series

- JAN 21** | Conference ABSP x VPW x BrIAS – ‘Belgium: The State of the Federation’ and 2027 Season Opening Ceremony
- FEB 4** | Workshop Cerium x BrIAS: ‘The End of Affective Polarization?’
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- MAR 2** | BrIAS x WIAS x ZuKo Democratic Governance in Transition. Interdisciplinary Approaches to Polarization, AI, and Inclusion
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- MAR 17** | Forum: ‘Re-Designing Democracy: Spaces, Infrastructures, Institutions’
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- APR 15** | Workshop: ‘Democratic Leadership’

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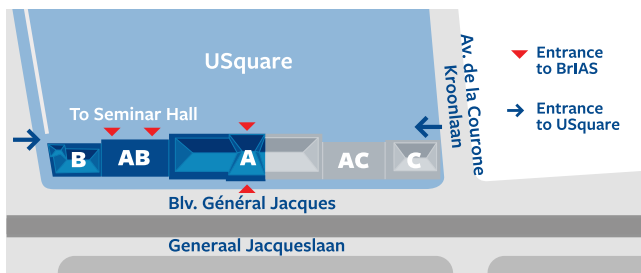
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