Call for Participation – ipb Online Colloquium Series "Politics from Below" 2027

The Institute for Protest and Social Movement Research (ipb) warmly invites submissions for its colloquium series "Politics from Below" (Politik von unten). We welcome researchers working in the field of protest and social movement studies. The ipb colloquium offers an open space to present work in progress, discuss new ideas, and engage in interdisciplinary exchange. We are equally pleased to receive contributions from researchers at all career stages, including early-career researchers and established scholars!

The colloquium takes place in a small group in order to enable confidential exchange and in-depth feedback. **To ensure this, all presenters are expected to attend all the sessions in full.**

Particularly welcome are contributions offering interdisciplinary perspectives that go beyond conventional protest and social movement research.

Format & Practicalities:

- The meetings will primarily take place online via Zoom. A hybrid option is also available if desired.
- Each session lasts approximately 90 minutes: around 15 minutes for the presentation + 75 minutes of questions and discussion.
- We are planning approximately four sessions for the winter semester, held every three weeks starting in January 2027.
- Language: German or English.
- Contributions will be circulated via the mailing list one week in advance: https://lists.riseup.net/www/info/politicsfrombelow. All participants and presenters are therefore asked to subscribe to the list.
- Contributions may consist of unpublished chapter or article drafts, as well as proposals for research projects. Contributions should not exceed 20 pages.
- Discussion will be guided by Tillys Rules of Etiquette.
- We aim to foster a respectful culture of feedback.

An overview of previous colloquia and their topics can be found here: https://protestinstitut.eu/kolloquium/

We look forward to receiving registration or submission from interested parties via our form **(here)** by **9th of December 2026.**

For further questions, please contact the organizers Damla Keşkekci (damla.keskekci[@]sns.it), Eva-Lotte Schwarz (evalotte.schwarz[@]sns.it), or Masha Guzzo (info[@]protestinstitut.eu).

We look forward to your contributions!

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