**Populism, Civil Society and Constitution**  
Andrew Arato, 2020 CEU, April 27- May 15

I. **Popular Sovereignty I: history, doubts, and solution attempts**  
(two sessions, including intro) (2 sessions: April 27 and 28)

Readings: Edmund Morgan *Inventing the People* (chapters 1-4);  
Strongly Recommended: D. Grimm *Sovereignty*; Rosanvallon *Democracy Past and Future* (chapters 2 and 3); Kelsen *General Theory of State and Law* (233-242; 261); Schmitt *Crisis of Parliamentary democracy* chapter 1;  
Also Recommended: Janos Kis “Popular Sovereignty”; Habermas (“Popular sovereignty as Procedure”, appendix I of *Between Facts and Norms*; Lefort (selections)

II. **Popular Sovereignty II: populist renewal of popular sovereignty?**  
(3 sessions: April 30, May 4 and 5)

Reading: M. Canovan *The People*; Laclau *On Populist Reason*  
Recommended: Roberts (chapter 5) and Jansen (chapter 6) in de la Torre *The Promise and Perils of Populism*; J. Cohen “What’s wrong with the normative theory (and the actual practice) of left populism.” *Constellations* October 2019

III. **Populism, Civil Society and Social Movements**  
(May 7)

Reading: Arato and Cohen “Civil Society, Populism and Religion” (chapter 6) in de la Torre ed. Routledge Handbook of Global Populism; Rosanvallon *Counter Democracy* (introduction and chapters 11-13)  
Recommended:; Pelinka (chapter1) and Marsdal (chapter 3) in Wodak et.al. ed. *Right Wing Populism in Europe*;

IV. **Concepts of Constitution and Constitutionalism**  
(May 8)

Reading: C. Schmitt Constitutional theory (or Verfassungslehre) Part I: 1-9; II 12-13; III: 1 ; Kelsen *General Theory of State and Law* part two: part one. 115-121; 124-128; part II:iG 258-269  
Strongly Recommended:; McIlwain *Constitutionalism: Ancient and Modern*

V. **Constitution, Revolution and Constitutionalism**  
(May 11)

Reading: Ackerman *Revolutionary Constitutions* part One  
Nader Sohrabi, *Revolution and Constitutionalism in the Ottoman Empire and Iran*, Read the Introduction
Recommended: Arato “Revolution on a Human Scale: Liberal values, Populist theory” in R. Albert Revolutionary Constitutionalism

VI. **Populism as a Regime, and its Constitution**
    (two sessions: May 14 and 15)