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Annual Conference

Democratic Values and Civic Participation in Europe and Beyond

Keynote Address Mon, March 10, 5 PM - 6:30 PM MARC Pavilion

Panel Discussions Tues, March 11, 9 AM - 4 PM SIPA II, Room 260

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The year 2024 was a "super election" year. In many European elections, including those for the European Parliament, as well as in the United States, governments changed, sparking a broader debate about democratic values and civic participation. This conference explores issues of inclusion and diversity, with a focus on democratic governance and resilience, and political participation by individuals and civic groups. What challenges do established democracies face in this regard, and how can they be addressed collectively? What can be done to combat apathy and polarization, which are fueled by misinformation and slow consensus-building in increasingly diverse societies? These questions have emerged prominently in both the U.S. and the EU, but they also require reflection on the broader geopolitical contexts in which democratic backsliding and polarization are taking place.

This two-day conference is free and open to FIU students and the public. For more information, contact Christine I. Caly-Sanchez at calyc@fiu.edu.

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