

## SVENSKA SÄLLSKAPET FÖR ANTROPOLOGI OCH GEOGRAFI Invites to the 2018 VEGA SYMPOSIUM on

## **Resurgent** Nationalisms and Populist Politics

Date:Tuesday 24 April 2018, 13:15–16:45Venue:Beijersalen, Kungliga vetenskapsakademien, Stockholm<br/>(Metro: Universitetet; bus stop: Universitetet norra)

The 2018 Vega Symposium will focus on Vega Medallist Professor Emerita Gillian Hart, Professor of Geography at the University of California, Berkeley, USA, and Distinguished Professor in the Humanities Graduate Centre at the University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa. Instead of the triumph of liberal democracy, the end of the Cold War coincided with waves of right-wing nationalisms and populist politics sweeping over many different regions of the world. How best are we to understand these processes in relation to one another, and what are the political stakes? The symposium will engage these questions from the perspective of critical human geography and related disciplines.

## Programme

13:15 *Opening of the Vega Symposium*. Associate Professor Thomas Borén, President of SSAG and Chair of the Symposium

13:30 *Contesting Nationalisms in the Time of Populist Politics*. Professor Gillian Hart, University of California, USA; University of Witwatersrand, South Africa

14:15 Fatherland, Faith, and Family Values: Glocalized Grassroots Populism in Russia. Dr. Tova Höjdestrand, Lund University, Sweden.

## 14.45 Coffee

15:15 Culture, Space, Capital: Making Sense of Sinhala-Buddhist National Ideology in Sri Lanka (1977–2009). Associate Professor Kanishka Goonewardena, University of Toronto, Canada.

15:45 *The Political Economy of the Nation Form.* Associate Professor Manu Goswami, New York University, USA

16:45 Closing of the Symposium

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