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Contributions may investigate one country, event, or right or several. They can be case or comparative studies in nature, relying on theoretical and methodological perspectives drawn from disciplines such as history, political science, religious studies, sociology, and anthropology, and engage with interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary approaches.

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