

# The National Question: Nationalism, Ethnic Conflict, and Self-Determination in the Twentieth Century

## **Ausgrenzung und Entfremdung statt Integration: Afrikas Neuer Nationalismus in Zeiten der Globalisierung**

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**Abstract:** *Exclusion and alienation instead of inclusion: Africa's new Nationalism in times of globalization* - The New Nationalism in Africa and elsewhere shows remarkable differences both in its roots and its impact, compared with that of national independence movements of the early 1960s. Contrary to the first nationalism, the second is less prone to include than to exclude populations; alienation, xenophobia and its political instrumentalization are its curse. The New Nationalism has been shaped decisively by the consequences of globalization and by the increasing cleavages between the poor and the rich. Nowadays, structures of nationalism and nation-states differ more than in the past. Frequently, the new nationalism is rooted in populist grass-root movements which do not necessarily share the same interest as the ruling class or the state. This makes for its extraordinary political and social ambiguity and brisance.

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**Zusammenfassung:** *Ausgrenzung und Entfremdung statt Integration: Afrikas Neuer Nationalismus in Zeiten der Globalisierung* - Der Neue Nationalismus in Afrika und anderswo unterscheidet sich in Ursachen und Auswirkungen wesentlich von dem nationaler Unabhängigkeitsbewegungen der 1960er Jahre. Anders als der erste Nationalismus, setzt der zweite weniger auf Einschluß denn auf Ausschluß von Bevölkerungsgruppen: Entfremdung, Xenophobie und deren politische Instrumentalisierung sind sein Fluch. Der Neue Nationalismus wird maßgeblich geprägt durch die Folgen der Globalisierung und der auseinanderklaffenden Schere zwischen Arm und Reich. Die strukturellen Bedingungen von Nationalismus und Nationalstaat fallen heute typischerweise weiter auseinander. Denn der Neue Nationalismus entsteht oft aus populistischen Basisbewegungen, die durchaus auch gegen die staatliche Politik gerichtet sein können. Dies verleiht ihm eine besondere soziale und politische Ambivalenz und Sprengkraft.

**Schlagwörter:** Nationalismus, Migration, Fremdenfeindlichkeit, Entfremdung, Ethnizität, Armut, Afrika

**Résumé:** *Exclusion et aliénation au lieu d'intégration: le Nouveau Nationalisme africain en temps de la globalisation* - Le Nouveau Nationalisme en Afrique et ailleurs montre des similitudes remarquables dans ses causes et les conséquences, comparés de cela des mouvements de indépendance nationaux du début des années soixante. Contrairement au premier nationalisme, le deuxième est moins prédisposé pour inclure que pour exclure des populations; sa malédiction est l'aliénation, la xénophobie et leur instrumentalisation politique. Le nouveau nationalisme est marqué décisivement par les conséquences de la globalisation et des clivages croissants entre les pauvres et les riches. Les structures du nationalisme et d'un état national diffèrent aujourd'hui davantage de lesquelles du passé. Fréquemment, le nouveau nationalisme est enraciné dans les mouvements populistes de base qui ne partagent pas nécessairement le même intérêt que la classe dirigeante ou l'état. Ceci conduit à son ambiguïté extraordinaire et à sa brisance politique et sociale.

**Mots clés:** Nationalisme, migration, xénophobie, aliénation, ethnicité, pauvreté, Afrique

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