

ENTHUSIASM: BOOK LAUNCH AND PANEL DISCUSSION

Enthusiasm: Emotional Practices of Conviction in Modern Germany

By Monique Scheer

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WITH PANEL

Matthew Engelke: Professor of Religion at Columbia University, Director for the Institute for Religion, Culture, and Public Life

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Enthusiasm seeks to contribute to a culturally and historically nuanced understanding of how emotions secure and ratify the truth of convictions. More than just pure affective intensity, enthusiasm is about something: a certainty, clarity, or truth. The book takes its starting point in religion, the social arena in which the concept was first debated and to which the term still gestures. When understood as an emotional practice, enthusiasm has different styles, inflected by historical traditions, social milieus, and knowledge (even ideologies) about emotions and how they work.

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