

The Politics of Feeling: Populism, Progressivism, Liberalism

1. Introduction: The Politics of Feeling in a Conjunctural Crisis

Introduction: Change?

Conjunctural crisis

Between affect and ideology: Structures of feeling

In the folds of structures of feeling: Difference

Affective presents

A spreading and intensifying precariousness

After the future?

Digitally mediated presents?

Propositions from the present

2. Populism: Affirmative, Excessive, and Optimistic

Introduction: Weak ideology, strong feelings

Proposition 1: Populism offers affirmation and promises recognition

Proposition 2: Populism is excessive

Proposition 3: Populism is optimistic

Conclusion: Populism emergent?

3. Progressivism: Redemptive, Catastrophic, and Intense

Introduction: Progressivism after the future

Proposition 1: For progressivism, while things are not good, they also haven't been better

Proposition 2: Progressivism is intensified by its own impasse

Proposition 3: Everything matters now

Conclusion: Progressivism without progress

4. Liberalism: Defensive, Melancholic, and Boring

Introduction: Liberalism's affective crisis

Proposition 1: Liberalism must be defended

Proposition 2: Melancholy, liberalism faces a crisis of attachment

Proposition 3: Liberalism promises that nothing ever need change

Conclusion: The promise of disappearance

5. Conclusion: Into the Moving Present

Introduction: The cracking of 'there is no alternative'

Feeling for the (a) future

Structures of feeling differently

Afterword: In the impasse