



Border Realities

Ukraine at the Borderlands of European Universalism

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In the wake of Balkan wars in 1990s the French philosopher of 'borders of Europe', Étienne Balibar, formulated his well-known thesis that these events manifested the limits of European universalism. Varied discursive mechanisms were adopted by of European actors to represent Balkan peoples as undeserving to belong to Europe: violent, barbaric, oriental, premodern, backward, postcommunist etc. Balkans served as bad, demonized Other to re-consistute the image of good, civilized Europe. In my lecture I want to re-visit Balibar's remarks in the context current war in Ukraine.

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