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### New publication by Alexander Spencer & Judith Renner: Trump, Brexit & Post-Truth



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In this article **Prof. Dr. Alexander Spencer and Dr. Judith Renner** want to react on by considering what IR theory has to say about “(post)-truth” as a situation “relating to or denoting circumstances in which objective facts are less influential in shaping public opinion than appeals to emotion and personal belief”. In particular it will focus on post-structuralist approaches to IR for two reasons: firstly, due to the circumstances that post-structuralism/postmodernism, and in particular the French thinkers such as Michael Foucault, Jacques Derrida and Jean Baudrillard on which many of the theoretical assumptions of poststructuralist IR theory are based, have been blamed for the rise of “post-truth” politics by some scholars in the field. Secondly, if we consider post-structuralism as a theoretical corner in which the J. Renner, A. Spencer role of “truth” or rather truths play an essential role in the theoretical assumptions, it seems plausible to assume that post-structuralism has something to say about “post-truth” world order.

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