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Editorial

We begin this issue of *Nations and Nationalism* with an article by co-editor John Hutchinson to mark the 25th anniversary of the journal. As one can see from the rest of the issue, the journal both continues with <u>settraditional</u>²² practices and makes innovations. There is the published version of the 2018 Anthony D. Smith Memorial Lecture by Pål Kolstø. That is followed by one of our more recent features: a 'Viewpoint' piece in which John Hall evaluates some of <u>Ernest Gellner's</u> ideas about nationalism in light of recent developments.

After that comes the first instance of another new feature: an 'Exchange' in which a number of scholars discuss a key topic in the study of nationalism. Here Daphne Halikiopoulou, Eric Kaufmann, Bart Bonikowski, Matthijs Rooduijn engage with the subject of the relationship between populism and nationalism.

That is followed by the published version of the most recent *Nations and Nationalism* Debate which was held at LSE last November. Andreas Wimmer, author of *Nation Building: Why Some Countries Come Together while Others Fall Apart* discussed his book with Elliott Green and Vera Tolz in a public debate chaired by Eleanor Knott.

The articles in this issue reflect the journal practice of being very wideranging. They include reflections on theory (social evolution), theorists (Popper, Hayes, and Kohn), and a diversity of empirical studies extending from the ancient to the contemporary period, from Britain to China, and from culture and identity to politics. Finally there is our usual range of book reviews.

Future issues this year will include published versions of the plenary talks given at the 2018 Conference on populism and nationalism, and a wide range of empirical and theoretical articles.

The Anthony D. Smith Book Prize was established by Wiley in 2017 in honour of the memory of the founding editor-in-chief of *Nations and Nationalism*. The prize winning article for 2018, "Historicising Nationalism in Africa", by Miles Larmer and Baz Lecocq, was published in the final issue of Volume 24. The 2018 Dominique Jacquin-Berdal Essay Prize winning article, by Uma Pradhan, will be published in Issue 25.2.

Finally, let us draw the attention of readers to the ASEN Annual Conference scheduled for 24-25 April 2019 on the theme of 'Nationalism and Self-Determination', inspired by the centenary of the Versailles Peace Conference when the concept of national self-determination shaped much of the rhetoric and practice of the post-war settlement. On the evening before the start of the conference, the Gellner Lecture will be given by Eric Weitz, who has himself published on the concept of national self-determination. Please note that for the first time the conference will not take place at London School of Economics but instead at the University of Edinburgh University-which runs a very successful nationalism studies programme. For further details, go to the ASEN website.

We continue to welcome proposals from across the social sciences and humanities for themed sections in addition to papers on nationalism. We have moved to electronic submissions via Scholar One. As usual, thanks go to our Managing Editor, Seeta Persaud, for her efficiency in running the journal and the Wiley Team for their consistent interest and assistance. Formatted: Highlight

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