

Dear Friend,

The **Danube Institute** is cordially invites you to its following event:

Making Hungarians, Making Europeans: Problems, Solutions

A **mini-conference** on **demography** at the **Danube Institute** on October 25, at 09:00-12:30

Registration is required. **Please register here:**

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Although the Hungarian fertility rate has increased by 20 per cent (from 1.23 to 1.49) since 2011, the population is still in decline. If the rate does not increase further, the population is projected to fall by more than one million by 2041. A similar story can be seen throughout the European continent. Italy, for example, registered the lowest number of births in 2015 since the country's unification in 1861.

Fertility in all European countries has been below the level required for long-run replacement of the population for several decades.

At the same time the European continent has been a net receiver of migrants from outside Europe, especially from the Middle East, Northern Africa, and the Indian subcontinent. Combined with a low native birthrate, mass migration to Western Europe has significantly altered the ethnic, religious, and cultural balance of countries such as France, Britain, and Sweden. For instance, white English people are now a minority in the population of London. In 2014 women born overseas accounted for 27 per cent of all live births in England and Wales, and 33 per cent of newborn babies had at least one immigrant parent.

Addressing the policy implications of this are:

- **Katalin Novák**, State Secretary for Family and Youth Affairs at the Ministry of Human Capacities, who is responsible for implementing the government's ambitious plan, announced by Prime Minister Viktor Orbán in 2017, to increase the birthrate to 2.1.

- **Paul Demény**, Ph.D, the distinguished Hungarian demographer, member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, and Laureate of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population.

- **Douglas Murray**, British author of *The Strange Death of Europe*, a study of the causes and consequences of mass migration to Europe, associate editor of the *London Spectator*, and associate director of the Henry Jackson Society, a London-based think tank.

Program Schedule

9:00-9:30 **Registration**

9:30-11:00 State Secretary **Katalin Novák** and demographer **Dr. Paul Demény** present policies and ideas to stop the demographic decline. Author **Douglas Murray** joins in for a conversation with the two experts moderated by **John O'Sullivan**, President, Danube Institute.

11:00-11:20 Coffee break

11:30-12:20 **Douglas Murray** discusses his best selling, five star ranked book, *The Strange Death of Europe*. Immigration, Identity, Islam and answers questions from the audience.

12:20-12:30 Book signing

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