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THE REEMERGENCE OF MINIMAL IDENTITIES

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Abstract: A central strand of European/American anti-racism appeals to false and pernicious belief-structures about the distinctive properties of different social groups to explain racist behavior. Recently, a range of evidence suggests an alternative explanation rooted in very thin "minimal" identities, marks of group membership that distinguish in-groups and out-groups but express no content about the properties of the groups.

This talk explores the contrast between these two approaches, and considers a range of emerging evidence in arguing for the psychological dominance of minimal identities in understanding racism and related intergroup phenomena. Some implications of this view are also explored.



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