

"After democracy, what?"

## I. Etat de la réflexion

1. Democracy as an ideal to be reached by some
2. Democracy as a normal status
  - a) polishing the reality, no problematique

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3. Democracy is a problem:
  - the <sup>average citizen</sup> ~~grass root~~
  - the political sciences } frontier-problem

### 4. Examples:

- 1) totalitarians
- 2) USA+allii
- 3) horizontal: it cuts across



### III. Democracy + m-m

1. Politics as communication-system at various levels
  2. Traditional communication
  3. New-media as new form of comm.
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4. Consequences of functioning of m-m for politics : is there still a Democracy



## IV. Nationalisms + planetary solidarity

1. Nationalisms as political/cultural heritage

2. New <sup>frame</sup> ~~governance~~ of world civilization

3. New forms of interdependence  
(+ multi-lateral org.)

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4. World governance  
+ consequences for national level



V - Portugal as cross-roads of problems of contemporary democracy

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