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Constructing Modernity, Diagnosing the Present

This panel will present four scholars who have written about the nature of power in the contemporary world in relation to different theories and analysis of the modern. Exploring concepts of the public and the popular, the colonial and the postcolonial, the global and the conjunctural, in the light of their own work on contemporary forms and organizations of power.

This will be a roundtable discussion, with brief presentations by the four speakers.