

## **Coming to Terms with the Authoritarian Past : the Two Phases of White Terror-related Transitional Justice**

**Speaker: Vladimir Stolojan-filipesco,  
International Postdoctoral Fellow, Taiwan Foundation  
for Democracy;**

**Date: Friday, August 24, 2018**

**Time: 12:00 – 13:30**

**Venue: Taiwan Foundation for Democracy**

**No. 4, Alley 17, Lane 147, Sec. 3, Sinyi Rd., Taipei**

**Moderator: Dr. Mau-kuei Chang (張茂桂博士), Research Fellow, Institute of  
Sociology, Academia Sinica**

**Discussant: Dr. Vivianne Yen-ching Weng (翁燕菁博士), Associate Professor,  
Department of Political Science, National Chengchi University**

### **Agenda:**

12:00 – 12:10	Opening remarks by Dr. Mau-kuei Chang
12:10 – 12:40	Presentation by Dr. Vladimir Stolojan-filipesco
12:40 – 13:00	Comments by Dr. Vivianne Yen-ching Weng
13:00 – 13:30	Open discussion

**※ Please note that this event will be conducted in English.**

### **Abstract**

Taiwan's democratization has rightfully been praised as been non-violent and able to transform the island in what is arguably East Asia's most democratic country in a relatively short amount of time. One of the reasons of this success is the negotiated nature of the democratic process, which allows Taiwan to enjoy stability during the transition. As the Kuomintang maintained a dominant position, any measures of transitional justice that could jeopardize its historical legitimacy and weaken its position in the new democratic order were carefully avoided. Nevertheless, several initiatives of restorative justice have been enacted in the 1990's, giving compensations to the victims of the authoritarian era. They mark the beginning of a dynamic which lasted until 2016 and that I consider as being the first phase of White Terror related

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transitional justice. The second starts with the victories of the Democratic Progressive Party at the 2016 general elections. This presentation will recall the main characteristics of these two phases, what they share in common and how they differ. It will be concluded with several observations on the nature of Taiwanese transitional justice.

### **Speaker Biography**

Vladimir Stolojan-filipesco obtained his PhD degree from Université Paris Diderot in 2017. His Dissertation title was The Taiwanese National Memory Status Quo: Studying the Development of the Antagonistic Public Narratives around the Experience of the Authoritarian Rule. He currently holds an International Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy.

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## **RSVP**

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