



# Lecture Series in Social Anthropology

Spring  
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Tuesday, 28 April 2026 | 4.15 p.m. | Room AND-4-06

## Ethno-Forum: Introduction to SOKKA (formerly KOAF)

**With Eléonore Lépinard from CLADS Lausanne, online guests from India, and UZH members from SOKKA (formerly KOAF)**

The ISEK's Ethno-Forum invites students and staff to an open discussion on the erosion of academic freedom, organised by SOKKA – Solidarisches Kollektiv für eine kritische Akademie und akademische Freiheit (formerly KOAF). On 28 April (4:15–6:00 pm), guests joining us from India, from the organisation CLADS in Lausanne, and from UZH will share concrete experiences of censorship, self-censorship and intimidation in different academic contexts, before opening the floor to a collective conversation on how to resist silencing and defend critical scholarship. Together, we will reflect on recent scrutiny of the social sciences in Switzerland, shrinking budgets, political and media campaigns against researchers, and punitive measures against student activism, and ask how we can build networks of solidarity that protect both individuals and disciplines.

Rather than formal talks, the event is conceived as an informal, department-wide learning space to exchange strategies, articulate fears, and imagine ways of acting together for academic freedom across departments, universities and borders.

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Entrance free of charge.

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