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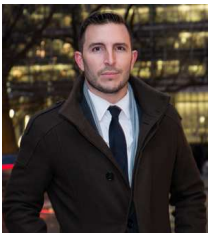
Justin Gest

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**The New Minority: The White Working
Class Revolt in America and Europe**

Once in the political center, today white working class people have drifted to the margins and are transforming American and European politics. How did this happen? And what could possibly lead a group with such enduring numerical power to, in many instances, consider themselves a “minority” in the countries they once defined? In this lecture, Justin Gest reports findings from original surveys and full-immersion fieldwork among the white working class people of once thriving industrial cities to draw impactful conclusions about their political behavior. He makes the case that tension between the vestiges of white working class power and its perceived loss have produced the unique phenomenon of their radicalization.

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