

100 word thesis summary

From revelation to revolution: an inquiry into the democratization of democracy

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In this thesis I investigate a political desire for a *democratization of democracy* by comparing current political events with radical democracy theory. In the first part, my main argument is that in the political events the definition of democracy is not universal (as implied), but in fact particular. From a radical democracy standpoint, I argue that this explains the “counterproductivity” towards democratization. In the second part, I look critically at the radical democracy theorists themselves. I argue that although these thinkers can account for the conflictual tendencies within democracy, their theoretical insights are unable to sustain a democratic being-together.