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EGOS takes a firm stance against the threats to academic freedom, diversity and human rights posed by recent blanket travel bans and, overall, by the rising authoritarianism, xenophobia, and anti-intellectualism in different parts of the world.

In the context of these developments, it is essential to reiterate and continue acting in line with the EGOS values of egalitarianism, plurality, openness in the exchange of ideas, respect for and appreciation of diversity in its numerous manifestations, critical thinking and freedom of enquiry. It is these values that keep EGOS as a welcoming and vibrant place for the advancement of research at the forefront of knowledge.

We are working together with the local organizers of the 2017 EGOS Colloquium in Copenhagen to provide platforms and initiatives where our role and responsibility as scholars and teachers in addressing these issues can be discussed during the Colloquium. It is our firm intention to ensure that our association maintains an active position and offers a strong voice promoting and defending its values and acting as a responsible citizen in the world.

The EGOS Board