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The Mainstreaming of Radical Right Discourse in Denmark: The Proliferation of Liberal Intolerance

This paper analyses the tolerance/intolerance arguments put forward in the media coverage of two recent public debates in Denmark, both concerning public meetings arranged by or involving controversial Muslim actors, and shows how Muslim claims-making in public is challenged cross the political spectrum predominantly on the grounds of what could be called 'liberal intolerance', stressing essentially liberal reasons for not tolerating. The paper then moves on to discuss how these modalities of 'liberal intolerance' have served to recast and mainstream ideas and frames of intolerance which were once exclusive to the radical right in Denmark.

