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# Trump: The Assault on the Administrative State and Science

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This talk analyzes the early months of the second Trump term. Trump has pursued a more aggressive effort to downsize and control administrative institutions, including scientific institutions. His second term represents the creation of a personalist presidency, where legal systems are built around loyalty to the President and his preferences, with purges for those who are viewed as disloyal and suspect. In particular, the Trump administration has broken the decades-long partnership between the federal government and higher education, politicizing review of scientific projects, defunding basic research agencies and using science funding as a political weapon.

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