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# Norman Cohn Lecture 2022

## “DARK MONEY AND THE SUBVERSION OF GLOBAL POLITICS”

by Peter Geoghegan

25 May 2022 at 6.30

Chaired and introduced by Prof. Patrick Wright FBA  
at the British Academy, London.

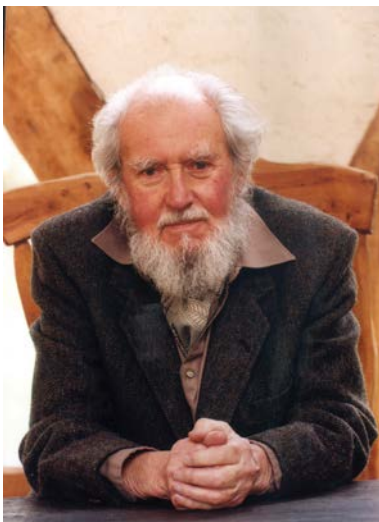
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In his talk Geoghegan will highlight the role and contribution of *openDemocracy* as well as its findings, discuss what is known of the world of the oligarchs in the current context, and consider the implications of an ecosphere in which an organisation like Twitter can be individually owned and controlled.



Highlighting themes pioneered by the work of Prof. Norman Cohn (1915-2007) in *The Pursuit of the Millennium* (1957) and other publications, the event is co-sponsored by The Norman Cohn Trust, which exists to promote greater understanding of disruptive extremism and its forms, and the Centre for the Critical Study of Apocalyptic and Millenarian Movements (CenSAMM), which promotes scholarship across the domain of apocalyptic and millenarian studies.