Nationalism And Sexuality: Middle-class Morality And Sexual Norms In Modern Europe

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The sexual and gendered nature of the tensions between India and Pakistan is also a way to place sexual nationalisms in their specific geopolitical and historical locations. Europe absolves itself from any homophobia and sexism by laying blame elsewhere, and at the same time it creates qualification and disqualification rules for its own citizens by affixing them to their origins, thus sanctioning the national normativity of sexuality. For Lisa Duggan, there is no difference today between the gay and lesbian homonormativity of the American white middle class and the traditional heteronormativity that used to characterize the national majority.