

I “fatti alternativi” sul crinale della verità

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The “Alternative Facts” and the Ridge of Truth

Abstract: The considerations proposed in the following pages concern the so-called “alternative facts”. Arises in the American political debate, they have led to a heated reflection, which is part of the broader and more controversial topic of post-truth. This particular category of “facts” proves to be particularly problematic: on the one hand, qualifying as “alternative” they seem to be inscribed within a relativistic perspective; on the other hand, as “facts”, they claim an absolute truth value. The analysis takes place within this problematic nature, highlighting the implications that their affirmation determines, in particular with regard to the questioning of the paradigm of democracy.

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