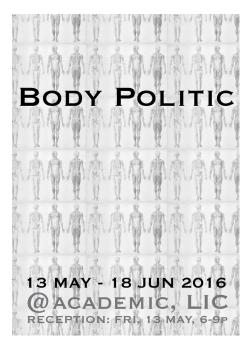
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*Our bodies. Individual. En masse. Deciders and followers. Corps-état at center and surrounded – These are our movements and moments: past, future, and present.* 

*Body Politic* looks at the figure as inherently political. Our bodies are equal rights, incarceration, inequality, abortion, rape, human trafficking, torture, war — the list is endless. As we move throughout our day, many actions become automatic. Technology pushes and tugs us into one direction or the next: we are subject to a constant deluge of information and access by others, finding comfort in the actions of the "like-minded".

With the invisible motion of the technological energy around us all, our bodies, minds and souls are also in constant movement. Because of this we seek camaraderie as a sense of pause. However, the more we are surrounded by the "like-minded", the more divisive we can become. Rather than focus on our similarities, how much more interesting to negotiate our differences? How can we aim for a space that promotes a truly free and open society?

*Body Politic,* curated by John Ros, features the work of Nina Buxenbaum, Mike Cloud, Loren Nosan, Paulapart, Elinore Schnurr, Zach Seeger, Kathy Stecko and Arielle Stein as a way into these conversations through the practices of these eight artists.