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Democracy and Authoritarianism in the Postcommunist World 2009-11-30

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Democracy and Authoritarianism in Indonesia and Malaysia 1997-10-29

the fact that the malaysian state has managed to maintain a relatively democratic regime while an authoritarian regime came to power in indonesia has never been the focus of historical and comparative analyses despite certain cultural social and historical affinities between these two countries this book takes a look at contrasting class structures and alliances elite cohesion state strength as well as differences in political challenges to the state in order to understand two different paths to post colonial state formation

After Authoritarianism 2022-09-22

transitional justice the act of reckoning with a former authoritarian regime after it has ceased to exist has direct implications for democratic processes mechanisms of transitional justice have the power to influence who decides to go into politics can shape politicians behavior while in office and can affect how politicians delegate policy decisions however these mechanisms are not all alike some known as

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transparency mechanisms uncover authoritarian collaborators who did their work in secret while others known as purges fire open collaborators of the old regime after authoritarianism analyzes this distinction in order to uncover the contrasting effects these mechanisms have on sustaining and shaping the qualities of democratic processes using a highly disaggregated global transitional justice dataset the book shows that mechanisms of transitional justice are far from being the epilogue of an outgoing authoritarian regime and instead represent the crucial first chapter in a country s democratic story

Defeating Authoritarian Leaders in Postcommunist Countries 2011-06-30

from 1998 to 2005 six elections took place in postcommunist europe that had the surprising outcome of empowering the opposition and defeating authoritarian incumbents or their designated successors valerie j bunce and sharon l wolchik compare these unexpected electoral breakthroughs they draw three conclusions first the opposition was victorious because of the hard and creative work of a transnational network composed of local opposition and civil society groups members of the international democracy assistance community and graduates of successful electoral challenges to authoritarian rule in other countries second the remarkable run of these upset elections reflected the ability of this network to diffuse an ensemble of innovative electoral strategies across state boundaries finally elections can serve as a powerful mechanism for democratic change this is especially the case when civil society is strong the transfer of political power is through constitutional means and opposition leaders win with small mandates

Authoritarian Russia 2015-07-01

russia today represents one of the major examples of the phenomenon of electoral authoritarianism which is characterized by adopting the trappings of democratic institutions such as elections political parties and a legislature and enlisting the service of the country s essentially authoritarian rulers why and how has the electoral authoritarian regime been consolidated in russia what are the mechanisms of its maintenance

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and what is its likely future course this book attempts to answer these basic questions vladimir gel man examines regime change in russia from the collapse of the soviet union in 1991 to the present day systematically presenting theoretical and comparative perspectives of the factors that affected regime changes and the authoritarian drift of the country after the fall of the soviet union russia s national political elites aimed to achieve their goals by creating and enforcing of favorable rules of the game for themselves and maintaining informal winning coalitions of cliques around individual rulers in the 1990s these moves were only partially successful given the weakness of the russian state and troubled post socialist economy in the 2000s however vladimir putin rescued the system thanks to the combination of economic growth and the revival of the state capacity he was able to implement by imposing a series of non democratic reforms in the 2010s changing conditions in the country have presented new risks and challenges for the putin regime that will play themselves out in the years to come

International Dimensions of Authoritarian Persistence 2013-07-19

while the international system has been evolving in an increasingly liberal direction the level of democratic practice within the post soviet region has on the whole declined two decades after the popular uprisings against communism many governments in the region have successfully blunted both popular and international pressures for democratic consolidation each selection in this volume explores how international factors interact with domestic conditions to explain the persistence of authoritarianism throughout the region the selections in the volume cover several countries including azerbaijan kazakhstan uzbekistan south ossetia ukraine moldova and belarus special attention is paid to the russian federation since it is both a member of the region and acts as an external actor influencing the political development of its neighbors this volume is especially relevant as the world again experiences the surprising overthrow of long running authoritarian regimes the failure of democratic consolidation among post soviet states offers important lessons for policymakers and academics dealing with the recent wave of political transitions in the middle east and asia

Competitive Authoritarianism 2010-08-16

based on a detailed study of 35 cases in africa asia latin america and post communist eurasia this book explores the fate of competitive authoritarian regimes between 1990 and 2008 it finds that where social economic and technocratic ties to the west were extensive as in eastern europe and the americas the external cost of abuse led incumbents to cede power rather than crack down which led to democratization where ties to the west were limited external democratizing pressure was weaker and countries rarely democratized in these cases regime outcomes hinged on the character of state and ruling party organizations where incumbents possessed developed and cohesive coercive party structures they could thwart opposition challenges and competitive authoritarian regimes survived where incumbents lacked such organizational tools regimes were unstable but rarely democratized

The Authoritarian International 2023-05-25

focusing on russia and eastern europe hall argues that democracies can preserve their norms and values by better understanding how authoritarian regimes learn it will be of interest to scholars advanced students and policymakers concerned with the politics of authoritarianism and the politics of russia and central and eastern europe

Democracy and Authoritarianism in the Post-communist World 2010

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Dealing with the Legacy of Authoritarianism 2013-09-13

in recent years the agenda of how to deal with the past has become a central dimension of the quality of contemporary democracies many years after the process of authoritarian breakdown consolidated democracies revisit the past either symbolically or to punish the elites associated with the previous authoritarian regimes new factors like international environment conditionality party cleavages memory cycles and commemorations or politics of apologies do sometimes bring the past back into the political arena this book addresses such themes by dealing with two dimensions of authoritarian legacies in southern european democracies repressive institutions and human rights abuses the thrust of this book is that we should view transitional justice as part of a broader politics of the past an ongoing process in which elites and society under democratic rule revise the meaning of the past in terms of what they hope to achieve in the present this book was published as a special issue of south european society and politics

Decentralized Authoritarianism in China 2008-10-16

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the development of their localities without weakening political control his research shows that the ccp s personnel management system is a key factor in explaining china s enduring authoritarianism and proves convincingly that decentralization and authoritarianism can work hand in hand

The Lure of Authoritarianism 2019-04-01

the works collected in the lure of authoritarianism consider the normative appeal of authoritarianism in light of the 2011 popular uprisings in the middle east despite what seemed to be a popular revolution in favor of more democratic politics there has instead been a slide back toward authoritarian regimes that merely gesture toward notions of democracy in the chaos that followed the arab spring societies were lured by the prospect of strong leaders with firm guiding hands the shift toward normalizing these regimes seems sudden but the works collected in this volume document a gradual shift toward support for authoritarianism over democracy that stretches back decades in north africa contributors consider the ideological socioeconomic and security based justifications of authoritarianism as well as the surprising and vigorous reestablishment of authoritarianism in these regions with careful attention to local variations and differences in political strategies the volume provides a nuanced and sweeping consideration of the changes in the middle east in the past and what they mean for the future

Citizenship After Trump 2022-04-21

in citizenship after trump political theorists bradley s klein and scott g nelson explore the meaning of community in the context of intense political polarization the surge of far right nationalism and deepening divisions during the coronavirus pandemic with both trumpism and the ongoing coronavirus pandemic greatly testing american democracy the authors examine the political economic and cultural challenges that remain after the trump administration s exceedingly inept leadership response they explore the promise and limits of democracy relative to long standing traditions of american political thought the book argues that all americans should consider the claims of citizenship amidst the

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forces consolidating today around narrow conceptions of race nation ethnicity and religion each of which imperils the institutions of democracy and strikes at the heart of the country s political culture chapters on the media political economy fascism and social democracy explore what americans have gotten so wrong politically and considers what kind of vision can in the years ahead lead the country out of a truly dangerous impasse citizenship after trump is an invaluable and timely resource for self critical analysis and will stimulate focused discussions about as yet unexplored regions of america s political history

Establishing Democratic Rule 1993

this book establishes that a tension exists between how we frame democratisation and the conclusions we arrive at it demonstrates how and why interpreting ambiguity matters in the study of indonesia s post authoritarian settlement and highlights the need for dialogue with proponents of social conflict theory

The Road from Authoritarianism to Democratization in Indonesia 2010-06-07

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Democracy and Authoritarianism in Indonesia and Malaysia 1997

examines in depth three waves of democratic change that took place in eleven different former communist nations

Democracy and Authoritarianism in the Postcommunist World 2010

through a unique collection of essays drawn from rich case studies authoritarianism in the middle east provides important insights into the ongoing instabilities of the middle east and the authoritarianism and democratisation processes that have led to dramatic socio political transformations

Authoritarianism in the Middle East 2015-03-17

between 2000 and 2005 colour revolutions swept away authoritarian and semi authoritarian regimes in serbia georgia kyrgyzstan and ukraine yet after these initial successes attempts to replicate the strategies failed to produce regime change elsewhere in the region the book argues that students of democratization and democracy promotion should study not only the successful colour revolutions but also the colour revolution prevention strategies adopted by authoritarian elites based on a series of qualitative country focused studies the book explores the whole spectrum of anti democratization policies adopted by autocratic rulers and demonstrates that authoritarian regimes studied democracy promotion techniques used in various colour revolutions and focused their prevention strategies on combatting these techniques the book proposes a new typology of authoritarian reactions to the challenge of democratization and argues that the specific mix of policies and rhetoric adopted by each authoritarian regime depended on the perceived intensity of threat to regime survival and the regime s perceived strength vis à vis the democratic opposition this book was

published as a special issue of democratization

Coloured Revolutions and Authoritarian Reactions 2014-07-17

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Authoritarian Russia 2015-05-29

while the Arab uprisings have overturned the idea of Arab exceptionalism or the acceptance of authoritarianism better analysis of authoritarianism's resilience in pre and post uprising scenarios is still needed modern Middle East authoritarianism roots ramifications and crisis undertakes this task by addressing not only the mechanisms that allowed Middle Eastern regimes to survive and adapt for decades but also the obstacles that certain countries face in their current transition

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to democracy this volume analyzes the role of ruling elites islamists and others as well as variables such as bureaucracy patronage the strength of security apparatuses and ideological legitimacy to ascertain regimes life expectancies and these factors post uprisings repercussions discussing not only the paradigms through which the region has been analyzed but also providing in depth case studies of tunisia egypt libya algeria saudi arabia iraq and iran the authors arrive at critical conclusions about dictatorship and possibilities for its transformation employing diverse research methods including interviews participant observation and theoretical discussions of authoritarianism and political transition this book is essential reading for scholars of middle east studies islamic studies and those with an interest in the governance and politics of the middle east

Modern Middle East Authoritarianism **2013-07-31**

this work examines the ingredients for avoiding disaster in post authoritarian states it considers questions of praxis and security and the practical lessons learned in various countries

After Authoritarianism 1995-07-17

originally a chapter in the handbook of political science this analysis develops the fundamental distinction between totalitarian and authoritarian systems it emphasizes the personalistic lawless non ideological type of authoritarian rule the author calls the sultanistic regime

Totalitarian and Authoritarian Regimes **2000**

post communist russia is an instance of the phenomenon of authoritarian modernization project which is perceived as a set of policies intended to achieve a high level of economic development while political freedoms remain beyond the current modernization agenda or

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are postponed to a distant future why did russia unlike many countries of post communist europe pursue authoritarian modernization after the soviet collapse what is the ideational agenda behind this project and why does it dominate russia s post communist political landscape what are the mechanisms of political governance which maintain this project and how have they adopted and absorbed various democratic institutions and practices why has this project brought such diverse results in various policy arenas and why have the consequences of certain policies become so controversial why despite so many controversies shortcomings and flaws has this project remained attractive in the eyes of a large proportion of the russian elite and ordinary citizens this volume intended to place some of these questions on the research agenda and propose several answers encouraging further discussions about the logic and mechanisms of the authoritarian modernization project in post communist russia and its effects on russia s politics economy and society

Authoritarian Modernization in Russia **2016-08-12**

how might political opposition shape regime outcomes over time in an authoritarian system most studies on political opposition in authoritarian contexts tend to focus on the agency of the regime over and above that of the political opposition using albert hirschman s framework of exit voice and loyalty this book examines the case of kazakhstani opposition agency over 30 years to explore the extent to which political opposition in kazakhstan has shaped the dynamics of authoritarian regime development in the country what the analysis reveals is that in kazakhstan the regime has tended to treat formal institutional political opposition as neither a credible nor non credible threat consequently the kazakhstani regime has always responded to opposition exit and voice with sanctions and institutional adaption which strengthened the regime in the short to medium term but left them exposed to spontaneous grassroots non institutional opposition in the longer term this spontaneous grassroots opposition emerged in kazakhstan as a series of shocks crystallised in the 2011 events in zhanaozen the 2016 land protests the 2019 election protests and the

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events of qandy qantar bloody january in 2022 what this book illustrates is how authoritarian regimes which treat opposition threats ambiguously are likely to end up in a continuous state of instability because the feedback provided by opposition agency disappears leaving the regime susceptible to spontaneous opposition

Political Opposition in Authoritarianism **2022-08-13**

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Decentralized Authoritarianism in China **2008**

autocrats must overcome a range of challenges as they seek to gain and maintain political power including the threat that comes from both rival elites and discontented publics the international politics of authoritarian rule examines the ways in which international forces can encourage and assist autocratic actors in overcoming these challenges often autocratic incumbents are strengthened in power by events on the international stage and by the active support of international allies the book offers a typology of different international forms of influence on authoritarianism and examines the ways in which external forces shape autocratic rule at the domestic level the typology distinguishes between three broad forms

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of international influence passive influences unintended consequences and active forms of external autocratic sponsorship the book focuses in particular on the latter category and examines intentional autocratic sponsorship in the post cold war period a central contribution of the book is to address the question of how international autocratic sponsorship can bolster authoritarian rule it highlights the ways in which international sponsorship can contribute to authoritarian practices is three significant ways by increasing the likelihood that authoritarian regimes will pursue authoritarian practices such as coups repression or election fraud by contributing to the implementation of those practices and finally by shielding autocratic actors from international punishment after such practices are pursued external sponsorship can thus lower the costs of authoritarian behaviour and protect and shield authoritarian regimes from the negative consequences of their actions oxford studies in democratization is a series for scholars and students of comparative politics and related disciplines volumes concentrate on the comparative study of the democratization process that accompanied the decline and termination of the cold war the geographical focus of the series is primarily latin america the caribbean southern and eastern europe and relevant experiences in africa and asia the series editor is laurence whitehead senior research fellow nuffield college university of oxford

The International Politics of Authoritarian Rule 2016

this book asks why dominant political parties emerge in some authoritarian regimes but not in others focusing on russia s experience under putin

The Origins of Dominant Parties 2017-04-27

the first book to trace the evolution of russian politics from the bolsheviks to putin when the soviet union collapsed many hoped that russia s centuries long history of autocratic rule might finally end yet

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today's Russia appears to be retreating from democracy not progressing toward it. Ruling Russia is the only book of its kind to trace the history of modern Russian politics from the Bolshevik Revolution to the presidency of Vladimir Putin. It examines the complex evolution of communist and post-Soviet leadership in light of the latest research in political science explaining why the democratization of Russia has all but failed. William Zimmerman argues that in the 1930s the USSR was totalitarian but gradually evolved into a normal authoritarian system while the post-Soviet Russian Federation evolved from a competitive authoritarian to a normal authoritarian system in the first decade of the twenty-first century. He traces how the electorate those empowered to choose the decision makers has changed across different regimes since the end of Tsarist rule. The electorate was limited in the period after the revolution and contracted still further during Joseph Stalin's dictatorship only to expand somewhat after his death. Zimmerman also assesses Russia's political prospects in future elections. He predicts that while a return to totalitarianism in the coming decade is unlikely so too is democracy rich in historical detail. Ruling Russia is the first book to cover the entire period of the regime changes from the Bolsheviks to Putin and is essential reading for anyone seeking to understand why Russia still struggles to implement lasting democratic reforms.

Ruling Russia 2014-04-27

competitive authoritarian regimes in which autocrats submit to meaningful multiparty elections but engage in serious democratic abuse proliferated in the post-cold war era. Based on a detailed study of 35 cases in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and post-communist Eurasia, this book explores the fate of competitive authoritarian regimes between 1990 and 2008. It finds that where social, economic, and technocratic ties to the West were extensive as in Eastern Europe and the Americas, the external cost of abuse led incumbents to cede power rather than crack down, which led to democratization. Where ties to the West were limited, external democratizing pressure was weaker and countries rarely democratized. In these cases, regime outcomes hinged on the character of state and ruling party organizations. Where incumbents possessed developed and cohesive coercive party structures, they could thwart

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opposition challenges and competitive authoritarian regimes survived where incumbents lacked such organizational tools regimes were unstable but rarely democratized

Competitive Authoritarianism 2010

what must be done after the end of a dictatorship so that the suffering of those persecuted comes to an end and history does not repeat itself only rarely have long term studies academically investigated the effects that measures implemented within

After Dictatorship 2023

this book analyzes the dynamic political economy of authoritarian institutions in china and attempts to answer the following questions what is the significance of china s authoritarian institutions and the changes xi jinping has brought to them why did the chinese elites go along with the changes that affected them negatively through these questions the author unravels the mechanics of authoritarian resilience as well as its dynamics the work reviews both literatures on china studies and comparative authoritarianism to introduce a general framework for analyzing authoritarian institutional change under dictatorships

Economic Growth and Endogenous Authoritarian Institutions in Post-Reform China 2019-01-30

using post colonial hong kong as a case study this book examines why and how legal mobilization arises in authoritarian regimes

Legal Mobilization Under Authoritarianism 2013

the new york times bestselling author a dystopian odyssey through the

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dark authoritarian landscape of the modern world the time to be born american in the late twentieth century was to take the fact of a particular kind of american exceptionalism as granted a state of nature arrived at after all else had failed in the span of just thirty years this assumption would come crashing down after the fall we must determine what it means to be american again in 2017 as ben rhodes was helping barack obama begin his next chapter the legacy they worked to build for eight years was being taken apart to understand what was happening in america rhodes decided to look outwards over the next three years he travelled to dozens of countries meeting with politicians activists and dissidents confronting the same nationalism and authoritarianism that was tearing america apart along the way a russian opposition leader he spends time with is poisoned the hong kong protesters he comes to know see their movement snuffed out and america itself reaches the precipice of losing democracy before giving itself a second chance after the fall is a hugely ambitious and essential work of discovery throughout rhodes comes to realize how much america's fingerprints are on a world it helped to shape through the excesses of the post cold war embrace of unbridled capitalism post 9 11 nationalism and militarism mania for technology and social media and the racism that shaped the backlash to the obama presidency at the same time he learns from a diverse set of characters from obama to rebels to a rising generation of leaders how looking squarely at where america has gone wrong only makes it more essential to fight for what america is supposed to be for itself and for the entire world

After the Fall 2022-08-04

graeme gill shows why post soviet russia has failed to achieve the democratic outcome widely expected at the time of the fall of the soviet union instead emerging as an authoritarian polity he argues that the decisions of dominant elites have been central to the construction of an authoritarian polity and explains how this occurred in four areas of regime building the relationship with the populace the manipulation of the electoral system the internal structure of the regime itself and the way the political elite has been stabilised instead of the common yeltsin is a democrat putin an autocrat paradigm this book shows how putin

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built upon the foundations that yeltsin had laid it offers a new framework for the study of an authoritarian political system and is therefore relevant not just to russia but to many other authoritarian polities

Building an Authoritarian Polity 2015-11-12

the essays in this collection reflect on the promises hopes and fears dominant in the narratives on and realities of doing away with authoritarian regimes the experiences of post communist transition are matched with accounts on authoritarian traits present in established constitutional democracies and on authoritarian inclusions preserved in the new regimes in the post transition phase the essays combine first hand insider accounts with interdisciplinary scholarly analysis the first part of the collection focuses on considerations marking the way out of authoritarian not restricted to socialist regimes the second part centers around experiences and problems which surface following the days of totalitarianism both in newly emerged democracies and in well established constitutional systems issues covered range from police practices to the role of the people in post authoritarian regimes the dilemma transparent in all essays is whether coming out of authoritarianism is possible at all

Out of and Into Authoritarian Law 2003

by the end of the 2000s russia had become an increasingly authoritarian state which was characterised by the following features outrageously unfair and fraudulent elections the existence of weak and impotent political parties a heavily censored often self censored media weak rubber stamping legislatures at the national and sub national levels politically subordinated courts the arbitrary use of the economic powers of the state and widespread corruption however this picture would be incomplete without taking into account the sub national dimension of these subversive institutions and practices across the regions of the russian federation after the collapse of the soviet union sub national political developments in russia became highly diversified and the

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political map of russia s regions became multi faceted the period of 2000s demonstrated a drive on the part of the kremlin to re centralise politics and governance to the demise of newly emerging democratic institutions at both the national and sub national levels yet federalism and regionalism remain key elements of the research agenda in russian politics and the overall political map of russia s regions is far from being monotonic rather it is similar to a complex multi piece puzzle which can only be put together through skilful crafting the 12 chapters in this collection are oriented towards the generation of more theoretically and empirically solid inferences and provide critical evaluations of the multiple deficiencies in russia s sub national authoritarianism including principal agent problems in the relations between the layers of the power vertical unresolved issues of regime legitimacy that have resulted from manipulative electoral practices and the inefficient performance of regional and local governments the volume brings together a team of international experts on russian regional politics which includes top scholars from britain canada russia and the usa

The Politics of Sub-National Authoritarianism in Russia 2016-02-24

today electoral authoritarianism represents the most common form of political regime in the developing world and the one we know least about filling in the lacuna this book presents cutting edge research on the internal dynamics of electoral authoritarian regimes

The Remains of Authoritarianism 1995

guo challenges the predominant view that post mao china has moved away from communist totalitarianism and that totalitarianism is an outdated paradigm for china studies he seeks to reconstruct a plausible macro model in conceptual and comparative terms for defining regime identity and assessing the nature of regime change professor guo then applies the model to the study of regime change in post mao china and reevaluates post mao changes across the five major empirical aspects of regime change political ideological economic legal and social and the most critical dimensions of each the findings of guo s study demonstrate

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that the practice of post mao reforms remains rooted in and committed to the hard core of chinese communist totalitarianism and that the regime has attempted to revive many typical totalitarian practices most essential or core elements of the idea practice and institution of totalitarianism remain essentially unchanged in all major aspects of the post mao regime though the post mao regime does suffer from a certain degree of regime weakening in its adjustments of the action means or protective belt of defending the hard core of the communist totalitarian regime a controversial and essential analysis for scholars researchers and policy makers involved with contemporary china

Electoral Authoritarianism 2006

Post-Mao China 2000-01-30

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