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2. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Colleagues,

This is the last issue of our newsletter under its current format. In the fall, the new changes will take effect. A team lead by Michael Bernhard at the University of Florida will be responsible for substantive essays, which will be added to the professional and programmatic announcements.

As a section, we are very grateful to Diego Abente and Melissa Aten-Becnel for their exemplary handling of the editorial tasks thus far. And we are very fortunate that their time, skill and commitment will continue to be available as we shift gears and move to a new and more ambitious format in the fall.

We hope to see you at the annual meetings in Washington. Among other things, we will announce the prize winners and felicitate them at our organized section meeting.

Sincerely,
Ashutosh Varshney
Chair, Comparative Democratization

3. NEWS FROM MEMBERS

Leslie E. Anderson, professor of political science, University of Florida, published Social Capital in Developing Democracies: Nicaragua and Argentina Compared (Cambridge University Press) in March 2010, in which she “explores the contribution of social capital to the process of democratization and the limits of that contribution.” Using Nicaragua and Argentina as case studies, she finds that “strong, positive, bridging social capital has enhanced democratization” in the former, while “the legacy of Peronism has created bonding and non-democratic social capital that perpetually undermines the development of democracy” in the latter. She concludes that social capital can promote democracy if it strengthens horizontal ties among citizens, but it can also inhibit democracy if it strengthens these hierarchical ties or weakens horizontal ones.

Nancy Bermeo, Nuffield Professor of Comparative Politics, University of Oxford, received the Oxford University Excellence in Teaching Award for which she was nominated by her Oxford M. Phil students and the Department of Politics and International Relations. Teaming up with other section members, she also published a number of chapters and articles bearing on the subject of democratization. In the conclusion of Is Democracy Exportable?, edited by Zoltan Barany and Robert G. Moser (Cambridge University Press), she distinguishes between democracy assistance, democracy promotion, and the export of democracy and argues that democracy cannot be exported. In an essay titled, “Democracy Assistance and the Search for Security” in New Challenges for Democratization (Routledge Press), edited by Peter Burnell and Richard Youngs, she argues that democracy aid is often undercut by military aid and that, in the US and elsewhere, these aid programs require better coordination. Finally, in the October 2009 Journal of Democracy she asks “Does Electoral Democracy Boost Economic Equality?” and explains why the answer is usually “no.”

Michael Bratton, University Distinguished Professor of Political Science and African Studies, Michigan State University, received a Jennings Randolph Fellowship from the United States Institute for Peace. Beginning in October 2010, he will spend a sabbatical year in Washington, DC, working on a project on “The Paradoxes of Power Sharing: Zimbabwe’s Protracted Transition in Comparative Perspective.”

Matthew Cleary, assistant professor of political science, Syracuse University, published The Sources of Democratic Responsiveness in Mexico (University of Notre Dame Press), in which he uses Mexico as a case study to demonstrate that “various [other] types of political participation and engagement” are as important to democracy as elections. Mr. Cleary finds that electoral competition did not foster greater...
political responsiveness in Mexico in the 1980s and 1990s. Instead, he argues that ongoing changes in participatory politics are the cause of increasing responsiveness.

Omar G. Encarnación, professor of political studies, Bard College, published “Spain’s New Left Turn: Society Driven or Party Instigated” in a December 2009 special issue of South European Society and Politics dedicated to Spain’s “second transition” under Prime Minister José Luis Rodríguez Zapatero. The article examines the roots of recent legislation introducing gay marriage, amnesty for illegal aliens, government and workplace gender parity, and reparation for victims of the Spanish Civil War and concludes that the legislation was primarily a result of a crisis within the Spanish Socialist Party rather than broader changes within society.

Tulia G. Falletti, assistant professor of political science, University of Pennsylvania, published Decentralization and Subnational Politics in Latin America (Cambridge University Press), in which she uses evidence from fieldwork, archives, and quantitative data to argue that decentralization does not always increase the power of governors and mayors in “post-developmental” Latin America. Using a sequential theory and method, she explains the differing results of decentralization in Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, and Mexico by considering who introduces reforms, in what order reforms are introduced, and how reforms are implemented.


Sarah F. Fischer, Ph.D. candidate, American University, received a grant from the American Research Institute in Turkey and the American Association of Turkish Teachers to sponsor her participation in an intensive advanced Turkish language program at Bogaziçi University in Istanbul.

Carlos Gervasoni, assistant professor of political science and international studies, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Argentina, published “A Rentier Theory of Subnational Regimes: Fiscal Federalism, Democracy, and Authoritarianism in the Argentine Provinces” in the April 2010 World Politics. Using statistical evidence from Argentine provinces, the article shows that less democratic provincial governments are more likely to occur in provinces that receive a disproportionate share of central government revenues and are therefore less dependent upon local tax revenues. Under these politically-created rather than geographically-determined circumstances, Mr. Gervasoni argues that incumbents are able to undermine democratic practices and increase their own power.

Kenneth Greene, associate professor of government, University of Texas at Austin, published “The Political Economy of Single-Party Dominance” in the September 2010 Comparative Political Studies, in which he finds that dominant parties may retain political control despite poor economic performance, public dissatisfaction, and permissive electoral systems if they effectively politicize public resources. Using evidence from case studies and a cross-national time series analysis, Mr. Greene concludes that dominant parties lose control when “privatizations put the state’s fiscal power out of their reach.”

Marc Morjé Howard was recently promoted to professor of government at Georgetown University.

Amaney Jamal was promoted to associate professor with tenure in Princeton University’s Department of Politics.

Debra Javeline, associate professor of political science, University of Notre Dame, published “A Balanced Assessment of Russian Civil Society” with Sarah Lindemann-Komarova in the Spring/Summer 2010 Journal of International Affairs. In the article, the authors discuss prevailing analyses of civil society development in Russia, which tend to focus “geographically on the city of Moscow and substantively on political elites, elections, and human rights violations.” They argue that new developments in contemporary Russian politics, such as “pockets of public activism, NGO activity, and newly institutionalized frameworks for citizen participation in governance” merit attention.

also received a grant entitled “Notre Dame Collaboratory for Adaptation to Climate Change” as part of Notre Dame’s Strategic Action Planning Committee. Her portion of the project will examine the role of science in political decision-making.

**Craig M. Kauffman**, Ph.D. candidate in political science, George Washington University, and visiting research professor, FLACSO-Ecuador, received a 2010–2011 Grassroots Development Fellowship from the Inter-American Foundation. The Grassroots Development Fellowship program funds research on community and development among the urban rural poor. It will support Mr. Kauffman's research project on “The Environmental Movement, Grassroots Networks, and Democratic Governance: Watershed Management Reforms in Ecuador” which examines the role of transnational actors in promoting local environmental management reforms in Ecuador.

**Carl LeVan**, assistant professor of comparative regional studies, American University and Patrick Ukata contributed a country report on Nigeria to Freedom House’s 2010 *Countries at the Crossroads* that examines accountability and public voice, civil liberties, rule of law, and anti-corruption and transparency in the country.

**Staffan I. Lindberg**, assistant professor of political science, University of Florida, published a working paper on “Some Evidence on the Demand Side of Private-Public Goods Provision by MPs” as part of the Overseas Development Institute’s Power and Politics in Africa Research Program. Mr. Lindberg uses a pre-election survey conducted in ten constituencies in Ghana to explain the levels of clientelism demonstrated by politicians in Africa and determines that politicians are rational actors who find the most efficient way to win elections. Although voters may support politicians due to clientelism, they may also support politicians who provide the public good of local economic development.


**Devra C. Moehler**, assistant professor of communication, University of Pennsylvania, published “Democracy, Governance, and Randomized Development Assistance” in the March 2010 *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, in which she reviews recent and ongoing field experiments on democracy and governance and offers lessons about the prospects and obstacles to the future development of a useful body of experimental evidence on the political economy of development.

Ms. Moehler and **Staffan I. Lindberg** published “Narrowing the Legitimacy Gap: Turnovers as a Cause of Democratic Consolidation” in the October 2009 *Journal of Politics* in which they use a hierarchical procedure to analyze three rounds of Afrobarometer micro-level data combined with national-level data on African elections between 1989 and 2006. The analyses indicate that electoral turnovers have a significant moderating effect on the citizenry, thus furthering the consolidation of democracy.

**Leonardo Morlino**, professor of political science, Istituto Italiano di Scienze Umane, and Wojciech Sadurski edited *Democratization and the European Union: Comparing Central and Eastern European Post-Communist Countries* (Routledge Press), in which contributing authors examine the impact of the EU on aspects of the quality of democracy, including executive-legislative relationships, constitutional justice, decentralization, and ombudsmen and similar authorities. It provides detailed case studies of older new EU members (Poland and Hungary), newer new member states (Romania and Bulgaria), potential candidates (Albania and Serbia), and neighbor and remote neighbor states (Ukraine and Armenia).

Mr. Morlino and Gianluigi Palombelle edited *Rule of Law and Democracy: Inquiries into Internal and External Issues* (Brill), which addresses “the interplay between rule of law and democracy” in consolidated and transitional democracies and multinational scenarios and the interaction between “legal requirements, social commitments, and democratic standards.”

**Cas Mudde**, associate professor of political science, University of Antwerp, will be the Nancy Schaeenen
Visiting Scholar at the Janet Prindle Institute for Ethics and a visiting associate professor in the department of political science at DePauw University during the 2010–2011 academic year.

**Monika Nalepa**, assistant professor of political science, University of Notre Dame, published “Captured Commitments: An Analytic Narrative of Transitions with Transitional Justice” in the April 2010 *World Politics*, which considers why authoritarian governments surrender power in exchange for amnesty and why winning opposition parties honor amnesty agreements. Ms. Nalepa studies Czechoslovakia, Poland, and Hungary using an analytic narrative approach and argues that amnesty agreements are games of incomplete information where a party has “skeletons in its closet” that might be used against it if it violates an amnesty agreement. She also identifies the conditions under which authoritarian leaders are likely to step down in exchange for amnesty despite the threat of transitional justice.

**Julio Ríos-Figueroa**, assistant professor of political science at CIDE, and Andrea Pozas-Loyo published “Enacting Constitutionalism: The Origins of Independent Judicial Institutions in Latin America” in the April 2010 *Comparative Politics*. The authors explore the conditions under which constitution-making processes lead to institutions that respect constitutionalism, focusing on independent judicial institutions. Examining 18 Latin American countries between 1945 and 2005, they argue that such institutions are more likely to occur when the process is controlled by multiple political groups.

**Jillian Schedler**, associate professor of political science, University of Massachusetts Amherst, received the Outstanding Teaching Award by the university’s school of behavioral science. With Laleh Khalili, she published *Political Prisons and Policing in the Middle East and North Africa* (Columbia University Press), which examines the emergence of extensive policing, imprisonment, and torture in Middle Eastern states and “identifies the colonial origins and post-independence genesis of policing and incarceration…and links the centrality of criminalization to dissident politics.”

**Etel Solingen** was awarded a Chancellor’s Professorship in Political Science at the University of California, Irvine in recognition of unusual scholarly achievement.

**Jan Teorell**, senior lecturer in political science, Lund University, and Catharina Lindsted published “Electoral Systems: Assessing the Cross-Sectional Time-Series Data Sources” in the June 2010 *Political Research Quarterly*. Mr. Teorell and Ms. Lindsted compare and assess “four freely available cross-sectional time-series data sets in terms of their information on ballot structure, district structure, and formula of the electoral system in use for lower house and, if relevant, upper house and presidential elections.” The authors find that “the choice of data source matters for conclusions drawn on the consequences of electoral systems for both party systems and corruption.” During the 2010–2011 academic year, Mr. Teorell will also be a visiting scholar at Harvard University’s Centre for European Studies.


**Shannon Drysdale Walsh**, Ph.D. candidate in political science, University of Notre Dame, received an Andrew W. Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship from the American Council of Learned Societies. The fellowship will fund the final year of work on her dissertation “Engendering State Institutions: State Response to Violence Against Women in Latin America,” which studies variation among the police and judicial institutions that address violence against women in Guatemala, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica.

### 4. PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Call for Papers: Midwest Association for Latin American Studies Annual Conference**
The Midwest Association for Latin American Studies (MALAS) has issued a call for papers for its 60th
annual conference on “60 Years as the Gateway to the Americas,” which will take place in St. Louis, Missouri on November 4–7, 2010. MALAS is interdisciplinary and welcomes papers on a variety of Latin American topics. To submit a proposal, send a 150-word abstract and paper title to Martin Edwin Andersen at malasreviewoftheamericas@gmail.com. More information about the call for papers and conference are available here. Paper proposals are due by August 31, 2010.

Expanded Constituency-Level Elections Archive (CLEA) Now Available:
The directors of the CLEA are pleased to announce a major expansion in the Constituency-Level Elections Archive (CLEA). The central aim of the CLEA project is to produce a repository for detailed results (votes received by each candidate/party, total votes cast, number of eligible voter) at a constituency level for the lower house legislative elections that have been conducted around the world. This is the largest repository for such data available online. You can access the data at www.electiondataarchive.org.

Call for Book Proposals: Comparative Politics Series (Oxford University Press)
Dirk Berg-Schlosser of the Institute of Political Science at Philipps-University in Germany has issued a call for book proposals for a comparative politics series published in association with Oxford University Press. Comparative Politics is a series for students, teachers, and researchers of political science that deals with contemporary government and politics. Global in scope, books in the series are characterized by a stress on comparative analysis and strong methodological rigor. To propose a book for the series, please contact Dirk Berg-Schlosser at bergschl@staff.uni-marburg.de.

Call for Syllabi:
The Comparative Democratization Section is seeking syllabi from democracy and democracy-related courses taught by Section members to post on its website (http://www.ned.org/apsa-cd/Syllabi.html). Intended as a resource for democracy scholars, submitted syllabi will be posted in PDF to protect the integrity of the material. To submit a syllabus for posting, please email Melissa Aten at melissaa@ned.org.

5. RECENT CONFERENCES

The International Studies Association held its 51st annual convention on February 17–20, 2010, in New Orleans, Louisiana. This year's conference will focus on the theme “Theory vs. Policy? Connecting Scholars and Practitioners.” Extensive information about the conference is available here.

On February 26–27, 2010, the University of Connecticut’s Political Science Graduate Student Association hosted its second “Democracy and Democratization Annual Conference.” The conference offered graduate students working on democracy-related issues the opportunity to network and share their research projects and included a keynote speech by Pippa Norris, Harvard Professor of Political Science and distinguished scholar. More information can be found here.

On March 24–25, 2010, the Centre for the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence hosted a conference on “The Globalization(s) of the Conflict in Somalia” at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. The conference detailed the history of the conflict in Somalia and the role that international players have had in the development of events. More information can be found here.

The Association for Asian Studies held its annual meeting on March 25–28, 2010, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Keynote speakers included Anwar Ibrahim and Wang Hui. Nearly 300 panels and roundtables were held on various topics, including: “Technologies of Governance in Neoliberal India and the Crafting of Citizenship” by Dolly Daftary, Washington University; “Democracy and Identity in Southeast Asia” by Jacques Bertrand, University of Toronto; “Class and Democracy in Asia” by Erik M. Kuhonta, McGill University; “Democratizing Democracy: Politics of Social Movements in Contemporary Taiwan” by Ming-sho Ho, National Taiwan University; and “Is Bangladesh Now/Again a Democracy, or Not?” by Harry W. Blair, Yale University. A full list of panels and more information can be found here.
On March 29–April 1, 2010, the Political Studies Association of the United Kingdom hosted its 60th annual conference on “Sixty Years of Political Studies: Achievements and Futures” in Edinburgh, Scotland. The meeting reflected on political studies undertaken over the past 60 years and considered topics that must be addressed in the current political climate. Additional information about the conference can be found on the Association’s website.

On April 1–3, 2010, the Western Political Science Association held its 2010 annual meeting in San Francisco, California. The theme of this year’s meeting was “Politics in the Maelstrom of Global Economic Crisis.” Workshops on many topics, including feminist theory, environmental political theory, and Latino politics, were be presented. A full agenda and information about the WPSA can be found here.

The Center for the Study of Democracy (CSD) at the University of California, Irvine held its sixth annual Southern California Graduate Student Conference on May 8, 2010. This year’s theme was “Democracy and its Development.” The conference discussed problems that developed democracies face regarding the democratic process, economic markets and their relation to democracy, and the expansion of democracy across the developing world. More information about the conference can be found here.

On June 23–25, 2010, the Participatory and Deliberative Democracy Specialist Group of the Political Studies Association of the United Kingdom hosted a conference on “Deliberative and Participatory Democracy in the UK” in Glasgow, Scotland. The conference focused primarily on deliberative and participatory democracy in the United Kingdom. Additional information is available here.

6. FUTURE CONFERENCES

The Association of Chinese Political Studies is holding its 23rd Annual Meeting and International Symposium on the theme of “China in Search of Sustainable Development, Social Harmony, and Soft Power” on July 30–August 1, 2010, at Endicott College near Boston, Massachusetts. The conference will address topics such as the political development of China, the role of civil society in Chinese politics, changes in elite and local politics, and institution-building in China. Papers include “The Politics of Voluntary Expansion of Rights in Authoritarian Regimes,” “A Comparative Analysis of Civil Society in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan,” “Nationalism, Democratization, and Sino-Korean Relations,” “Beyond the Global Financial Crisis: The Chinese Discourse on Social Democracy,” and “Free Speech in China: Past and Present [and Future?].” Further information and a complete list of topics can be accessed here.

From August 23–24, 2010, the Hong Kong Political Science Association will host a conference on “Politics in Flux: Challenges and Opportunities in the Asian Century” at the City University of Hong Kong. The conference will address questions relevant to the study of democratization, including the impact of China and India on regional and global politics and the emergence of alternatives to the Washington Consensus model. More information about the conference is available here.

The third European Consortium for Political Research graduate conference will be held at Dublin City University in Ireland on August 30–September 1, 2010. The ECPR Graduate Conference is organized into thematic sections with 4–10 panels each, in addition to roundtables, symposia, and a plenary lecture. It is intended as a forum for graduate students to present their work in front of a large audience, develop their ideas, and build academic dialog. More information and online registration can be here.

The American Political Science Association will be holding its 2010 annual meeting and exhibition on September 2–5, 2010, in Washington, DC. In light of the recent financial crisis, the theme of the conference will be “The Politics of Hard Times: Citizens, Nations, and the International System under Economic Stress.” More information, including an online program and daily schedule, are here.

From September 9–11, 2010, the Standing Group on International Relations (SGIR) of the
European Consortium for Political Research will hold the Pan-European International Relations Conference in Stockholm, Sweden. Peter Gourevitch, Professor of Political Science at the University of San Diego, and Ambassador Jan Eliasson, Senior Visiting Scholar at the United States Institute of Peace, will deliver keynote addresses. Panels include “Spaces of Global Capital: Territoriality, Markets, and Democratic Politics,” “Challenges of Democracy Promotion: Do All Good Things Go Together?” and “Democratic Governance and International Institutions.” The conference website provides more information, including a preliminary program and online registration.

The Department of Government and the Institute for Electoral Research at the University of Essex in Britain will host this year's Elections, Public Opinion and Parties Annual Conference (EPOP) from September 10–12, 2010. The Elections, Public Opinion and Parties section is the largest specialist group of the Political Studies Association of the UK. More information is available here.

The 2010 Conference of the Australian Political Studies Association will be held at the University of Melbourne from September 27–29, 2010. The conference on “Connected Globe: Conflicting Worlds” aims to bring together nationally and internationally renowned researchers, recent graduates, practitioners, policymakers, and students for discussion. Further information and online registration is available here.

On November 5–6, 2010, the Pacific Coast Council of Latin American Studies will host its annual conference at Pepperdine University in Malibu, California. The conference brings together scholars and students interested in Latin America from across the disciplines. More information about the conference can be found here.

The Northeastern Political Science Association will hold its 42nd annual meeting in Boston, Massachusetts on November 11–13, 2010. The theme of the conference is “Changing Politics, Changing Political Science.” Conference panels of potential interest include Democratic Theory and Comparative Politics. Information on submissions, registration, and travel are available on the NPSA website.

On November 18–21, 2010, the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies will hold its 2010 convention in Los Angeles, California. The theme of the convention is “War and Peace.” Through this theme, the conference will explore topics including the reasons why societies make war and peace and the effect of war and peace in shaping regional societies. It will bring together scholars interested in Eastern and Central Europe and Central Asia to engage in interdisciplinary and comparative discussions. The conference website includes additional information, online registration, and a convention schedule.

The New Zealand Political Studies Association 2010 Conference will be held on December 2–3, 2010, at the University of Waikato in Hamilton, New Zealand. The conference, hosted by the University of Waikato’s Political Science and Public Policy department, will include panels on New Zealand government and comparative politics, public policy, international relations, and political theory. General information about the conference can be found here.
7. NEW RESEARCH

Journal of Democracy
The April 2010 (Volume 21, no. 2) issue of the Journal of Democracy features clusters of articles on Indonesia and Central America, as well as individual case studies on ex-presidents, democratic policing, and Mozambique. The full text of selected articles and the tables of contents of all issues are available on the Journal’s website.

“Democracy and Deep Divides” by Nathan Glazer
How do democracies deal with the deep divisions created by race, ethnicity, religion, and language? The cases of Canada, India, and the United States show that democratic institutions—notably, competitive elections and independent judiciaries—can bridge divides and build stability, but they must find a way to manage the tension between individual and group equality.

Indonesia
I. “The Irony of Success” by Edward Aspinall
Indonesia is widely lauded as a democratic success story for rolling back the military, keeping radical Islam in check, and institutionalizing democratic freedoms. But this success has had costs in terms of democratic quality.

II. “Personalities, Parties, and Voters” by Saiful Mujani and R. William Liddle
The 2009 electoral victories of Indonesia’s incumbent president Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono (SBY) and his party reveal a growing sophistication among the electorate and a robust presidency, but also a dangerously weak, highly personalistic party system.

“Do Muslims Vote Islamic?” by Charles Kurzman and Ijlal Naqvi
Those who warn against efforts to promote free elections in Muslim-majority countries often point to the threat posed by Islamic parties that stand ready to use democracy against itself. But what does the record really show regarding the ability of Islamic parties to win over Muslim voters?

“The Ex-Presidents” by Lisa Anderson
What makes elected leaders step down at the appointed hour, and what do they have to look forward to once their terms end? A look at the political afterlives of world leaders tell us that the future prospects of presidents and premiers may well affect their behavior while in office.

Trouble in Central America
I. “Honduras Unravels” by J. Mark Ruhl
A Central American military once again returned to the political center stage in 2009, but this had less to do with power-hungry generals than with warring civilian elites whose respect for liberal-democratic principles proved to be questionable at best.

II. “Guatemala on the Brink” by Anita Isaacs
Strange and unsettling turns of events further roiled the already-troubled waters of Guatemalan political life in 2009, driving the crime-ridden country’s shaky democracy to the brink.

III. “Crime, Hard Times, and Discontent” by Mitchell A. Seligson and John A. Booth
Amid a climate of rising crime and insecurity as well as economic uncertainty produced by the global downturn, can the study of public opinion and attitudes reveal which Central American countries are most at risk of democratic reversals?

The Freedom House Survey for 2009
“The Erosion Accelerates” by Arch Puddington
Although the overall state of freedom in the world has clearly improved over the last two decades,
more recent trends are worrisome. In 2009, declines in freedom outnumbered gains for the fourth consecutive year.

”Mozambique’s Slide into One-Party Rule” by Carrie Manning

Once touted as a regional success story, Mozambique has been backsliding toward one-party-dominant rule, and has now slipped off the Freedom House list of electoral democracies. How and why did this happen?

Democratization

The March 2010 (Volume 17, no. 2) Democratization is a special issue on “Democracy and Violence and features articles on the United Kingdom, Peru, Egypt, Morocco, Latin America, Hamas, and Hizbullah.

”Democracy and Violence: A Theoretical Overview” by John Schwarzmantel

”Liberal Democratic Politics as a Form of Violence” by Maureen Ramsay

”A Contest to Democracy? How the UK Has Responded to the Current Terrorist Threat” by Raffaello Pantucci

”Hearts and Minds and Votes: The Role of Democratic Participation in Countering Terrorism” by Rachel Briggs

”Perverse State Formation and Securitized Democracy in Latin America” by Jenny Pearce

”Revisiting ‘Democracy in the Country and at Home’ in Peru” by Jelke Boesten

”Bullets over Ballots: Islamist Groups, the State and Electoral Violence in Egypt and Morocco” by Hendrik Kraetzschmar and Francesco Cavatorta

”Reframing Resistance and Democracy: Narratives from Hamas and Hizbullah” by Larbi Sadiki

The June 2010 (Volume 17, no. 3) Democratization features articles on international law, Hong Kong, regional democracy promotion, the lawyers’ movement in Pakistan, and Malawi.

”Democratic Enclaves in Authoritarian Regimes” by Bruce Gilley

”Using International Law to Assess Elections” by Avery Davis-Roberts and David J. Carroll

”Beijing’s 2007 Political Reform Plan and Prospects for Hong Kong’s Democratization” by Baohui Zhang

”What Difference Can a Path Make? Regional Democracy Promotion Regimes in the Americas and Africa” by Thomas Legler and Thomas Kwasi Tieku

”Fighting for the Rule of Law: Civil Resistance and the Lawyers’ Movement in Pakistan” by Zahid Shahab Ahmed and Maria J. Stephan

”Challenges to Democracy Building and the Role of Civil Society” by Tina Mavrikos-Adamou

”Ties that Bind? The Rise and Decline of Ethno-Regional Partisanship in Malawi, 1994–2009” by Karen Ferree and Jeremy Horowitz

”‘The Unfinished Business of Democratization’: Struggles for Services and Accountability in South African Cities” by Sebastiana Etzo

SELECTED JOURNAL ARTICLES ON DEMOCRACY
This section features selected articles on democracy that appeared in journals received by the NED's Democracy Resource Center, February 1–June 1, 2010.

**African Affairs, Vol. 109, no. 435, April 2010**

“‘We Changed the Laws’: Electoral Practice and Malpractice in Sudan since 1953” by Justin Willis and Atta el Battahani


“Social Capital and Civil War: The Dinka Communities in Sudan’s Civil War” by Luka Biong Deng


**China Quarterly, no. 201, March 2010**

“Civil Service Reform in China: Impacts on Civil Servants’ Behaviour” by John P. Burns and Wang Xiaopi

“Trade Unions and the Quadripartite Interactions in Strike Settlement in China” by Feng Chen

**Communist and Post-Communist Studies, Vol. 43, no. 1, March 2010**

“Plus ça Change: Electoral Law Reform and the 2008 Romanian Parliamentary Elections” by Cosmin Gabriel Marian and Ronald F. King

“The Radical Right in Romania: Political Party Evolution and the Distancing of Romania from Europe” by Paul E. Sum

“Electoral Rules and Minority Representation in Romania” by Oleh Protsyk and Lupsa Marius Matichescu

“Socio-Economic Status and Political Support in Post-Communist Romania” by Vasile Cernat

“Post-Communist Regime Types: Hierarchies across Attributes and Space” by Jørgen Møller and Svend-Erik Skaaning

“Politics, Justice and the New Russian Strike” by Samuel A. Greene and Graeme B. Robertson

“Continuities and Changes in Left-Right Orientations in New Democracies: The Cases of Croatia and Slovenia” by Willy Jou

**Comparative Political Studies, Vol. 43, no. 3, March 2010**

“Political Scale and Electoral Turnout: Evidence from the Less Industrialized World” by Karen L. Remmer

“New Structuralism and Institutional Change: Federalism between Centralization and Decentralization” by Jan Erik and Edward Koning

*Voting Amid Violence: Electoral Democracy in Colombia* by S. L. Taylor. Reviewed by Erika Moreno

*Crude Democracy: Natural Resources Wealth and Political Regimes* by T. Dunning. Reviewed by Benjamin Smith

**Comparative Political Studies, Vol. 43, no. 4, April 2010**

“Why No Backsliding? The European Union’s Impact on Democracy and Governance Before and After Accession” by Philip Levitz and Grigore Popp-Eleches
“Policy Uncertainty in Hybrid Regimes: Evidence from Firm-Level Surveys” by Thomas Kenyon and Megumi Naoi

**Comparative Political Studies, Vol. 43, no. 5, May 2010**
“Decentralization and the Development of Nationalized Party Systems in New Democracies: Evidence from Latin America” by Imke Harbers

*Presidents with Prime Ministers: Do Direct Elections Matter?* by Margit Tavits. Reviewed by Joseph W. Robbins


**Comparative Political Studies, Vol. 43, no. 6, June 2010**
“The Politics of Inequality: Voter Mobilization and Left Parties in Advanced Industrial States” by Jonas Pontusson and David Rueda

“Aid Effectiveness and the Politics of Personalism” by Joseph Wright

“Elections in Rural China: Competition without Parties” by Pierre F. Landry, Deborah Davis, and Shiru Wang

*Participatory Institutions in Democratic Brazil* by Leonardo Avritzer. Reviewed by Jorge Antonio Alves

*The Forensics of Election Fraud: Russia and Ukraine* by Mikhail Myagkov, Peter C. Ordeshook, and Dimitri Shakin. Reviewed by Robert Person

**Comparative Politics, Vol. 42, no. 2, January 2010**

“What Explains Corruption Perceptions? The Dark Side of Political Competition in Russia’s Regions” by Gulnaz Sharafutdinova

“Electoral Systems, Party Systems, and Ideological Representation: An Analysis of Distortion in Western Democracies” by HeeMin Kim, G. Bingham Powell, Jr., and Richard C. Fording

“Party System Institutionalization and Government Spending” by Joseph W. Robbins

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