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For a while now, political science as a discipline has been big enough (in terms of the number of academics) and analytically mature enough to justify reflections on and reviews of its achievements. In fact, there is no lack of general handbooks, dictionaries and 'state of the art' assessments (as well as 'reflective' journals such as the ECPR's own *European Political Science*), which are useful in helping us to understand and evaluate where we currently are and where we might still need to go. The focus of these texts, however, is on particular concepts, themes, research areas, institutions or behaviour. What they rarely do is indulge in a critical reflection on the political scientists themselves, especially those who are commonly accepted as having made the most significant contributions to the growth of their discipline. This book fills an important gap in the growing reflective literature on the political science discipline: it consists of a series of 'objective' profiles of the 'Masters of Political Science', written by political scientists who have read and studied their work and who are therefore in a position to evaluate the nature of their contributions.

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Political Conflict and Political Preferences
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What is the effect of deliberation on political actors and when can we expect it to be successful? Are mutual understanding and consensus realistic results of political decision-making processes or is compromise the most we can hope for? This book addresses what appear to be blind spots in theories of deliberative democracy: the conceptual and empirical relationship between communication and political preferences and the institutional preconditions for preference change and co-ordination. It proposes a model of preference transformation through communication and develops a typology of modes of political interaction that distinguishes discussion, deliberation, debate and bargaining. This serves as a framework for the analysis of a fundamental and highly polarising conflict – the German decision over the import of embryonic stem cells. Analysis of communicative interaction in different forums shows how a well-justified and widely accepted

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compromise was achieved in a conflict that had appeared irresolvable in moral terms and irreducible in terms of interest.



Electoral Change
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Until the last quarter of the twentieth century, Western party systems appeared to be frozen and stability was generally taken to be the central characteristic of individual-level party choice. But during the 1970s and 1980s, in a spasm of change that appeared to occur in all countries, this ceased to be true. Voters in Western countries suddenly demonstrated an unexpected and increasing unpredictability in their choices between parties, often to the extent of voting for parties that are quite new to the political scene. Understanding these fundamental changes became a pressing concern for political scientists and commentators alike, and a matter of extensive controversy and debate. In the middle 1980s, an international team of leading scholars set out to explore the reasons for these shifts in voting patterns in sixteen western countries: all those of the (then) European Community (except for Luxembourg and Portugal), together with Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden and the United States. In this book they report their findings regarding the connections between social divisions and party choice, and the manner in which these links had changed since the mid-1960s. The authors based their country studies on a common research design. By doing so, they were able to focus on the characteristics that the sixteen countries had in common so as to evaluate the extent to which the changes had a common source. This is a longitudinal study, extending over nearly a generation, of changes in voting behaviour that is as fully cross-national as it was possible to produce at the time. Its findings enabled the authors to break away from conventional explanations for electoral change to arrive at conclusions of far-reaching importance. The passage of time has not dated this book, and in this edition the original text is augmented by a new Preface that describes the ways in which the book's findings retain their relevance for contemporary scholarship, and by an Epilogue in which the main analyses reported in the book are brought up-to-date to the mid-2000s. Mark Franklin's numerous publications include *The Decline of Class Voting in Britain, Choosing Europe?* and *Voter Turnout*; Tom Mackie is co-author of *The International Almanac of Electoral History* and of various volumes in the *European Voter* series; Henry Valen was the author of a large number of works including *Political Parties in Norway*.

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Parties and Elections in New European Democracies
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The abrupt transformation of one-party Communist regimes into political systems holding competitive elections challenges theories of democracy by evolution. Part One develops an interactive model of how the supply of parties by political elites

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shapes the responses of inexperienced electors, and what this means for the institutionalisation of party systems and party identification. The model is then applied to elections since 1990 in ten Central and East European democracies that are now members of the European Union. Part Two provides a definitive and up-to-date text of election results and the formation and disappearance of parties in these ten countries. In addition, there is a lengthy chapter on elections in Russia.



Beyond the Nation State
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Citizens, Elections, Parties
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Of all of the books produced by Ernst B Haas during his career, Beyond the Nation State contains the most complete and definitive statement of 'neofunctionalism': the theory of transnational integration for which he is best known. Focusing on the International Labor Organisation, Beyond the Nation–State was one of the first efforts to analyse systematically the dynamics and effects of a global international institution. This book is regarded as a classic in comparative politics, international relations and among students of European Integration, and has enjoyed a renaissance with the end of the Cold War, reinvigorated European integration, resumed interest in communitarian theorising, and efforts to theorise about forms of global governance, which relied on a heightened role for international institutions and their associated policy communities. First published in 1964, this book was part of larger project described by others as 'neofunctionalism', 'regional integration' and 'soft constructivism', which animated Haas throughout his career. Beyond the Nation–State continues to provide valuable guidelines for describing and understanding contemporary IR, and is re-issued with a new introduction by Peter M. Haas, John G. Ruggie, Philippe Schmitter and Antje Wiener, placing this important work in a current context.

Stein Rokkan became one of the central figures of European comparative politics and political sociology in the post-war decades. He wrote numerous papers, articles and chapters, but *Citizens, Elections, Parties* was his only single-authored book. It remains the most complete guide to Rokkan's work up to 1970, and it is for this that Rokkan is most widely known today. The core question at the heart of this seminal work is what explains the political behaviour of citizens. The book brings together a series of studies, some conceptual and theoretical, others empirical and statistical, of processes of political development in industrialising and industrialised societies. The fourteen studies presented in the volume focus on three central themes in the comparative sociology of national development: first, the extension of citizenship to hitherto underprivileged strata of each

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territorial population; second, the mobilisation of the new masses through the institutionalisation of elections and the formation of parties and popular movements; and third, the reactions of the mobilised masses to the alternatives presented to them by the inherited national regime, by the parties, and by the new media of communication. Rokkan's work, as represented in *Citizens, Elections, Parties*, remains alive today; his analysis of the structural underpinnings of citizen behaviour was innovative and highly ambitious in its day and still remains relevant, with many of the questions he raised still not receiving an adequate answer.



Joining Political Organisations
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From political parties to environmental organisations, citizens join a host of associations in order to influence policy-making and political agendas. Yet, why in some Western democracies do citizens join political organisations much more than in others? Drawing on a large number of cross-national surveys and data sets, Morales shows that huge cross-national variations in political membership are not so much related to social or attitudinal differences between these countries' citizens, but are explained to a great extent by the structure of the political system of each nation.

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