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Democratic Transitions 2014-04-03

democratic transitions have occurred in many countries in various regions across the globe such as southern europe latin america africa east and southeast asia eastern europe and the middle east and these nations have undergone simuntaneously political economic and social transformations yet the patterns and characteristics of transitions have varied significantly and different modes of transition have resulted in different outcomes this book offers cross national comparisons of democratic transition since the turn of the twentieth century and asks what makes democracies succeed or fail in doing so it explores the influence the mode of transition has on the longevity or durability of the democracy by theoretically examining and quantitatively testing this relationship the authors argue that the mode of transition directly impacts the success and failure of democracy and suggest that cooperative transitions where opposition groups work together with incumbent elites to peacefully transition the state result in democracies that last longer and are associated with higher measures of democratic quality based on a cross national dataset of all democratic transitioning states since 1900 this book will be of great interest to students and scholars of international politics comparative politics and democracy and democratization studies

Movements in Times of Democratic Transition 2015-01-09

in regions that have undergone tumultuous transitions democratic social movements have often been the catalyst for great change however once those changes occur can these movements survive and if so how the editors and contributors to movements in times of democratic transition examine in comparative detail how social movements act within the context of the democratic transitions they have been fighting for and how they are affected by the changes they helped bring about offering insights into the nature of how social movements decline radicalize revitalize or spark new cycles of activism movements in times of democratic transition provides a comprehensive analysis of these key questions of mobilization research contributors include paul almeida christopher j colvin stephen ellis grzegorz ekiert grzegorz forys krzysztof gorlach camila penna sebastián pereyra steven robbins ton salman mate szabo ineke van kessel michal wenzel and the editors

After Repression 2020-09-01

how differing forms of repression shape the outcomes of democratic transitions in the wake of the arab spring newly empowered factions in tunisia and egypt vowed to work together to establish democracy in tunisia political elites passed a new constitution held parliamentary elections and demonstrated the strength of their democracy with a peaceful transfer of power yet in egypt unity crumbled due to polarization among elites presenting a new theory of polarization under authoritarianism after repression reveals how polarization and the legacies of repression led to these substantially divergent political outcomes drawing on original interviews and a wealth of new historical data elizabeth nugent documents polarization among the opposition in tunisia and egypt prior to the arab spring tracing how different kinds of repression influenced the bonds between opposition groups she demonstrates how widespread repression created shared political identities and decreased polarization such as in tunisia while targeted repression like that carried out against the muslim brotherhood in egypt led opposition groups to build distinct identities that increased polarization among them this helps explain why elites in

tunisia were able to compromise cooperate and continue on the path to democratic consolidation while deeply polarized elites in egypt contributed to the rapid reentrenchment of authoritarianism providing vital new insights into the ways repression shapes polarization after repression helps to explain what happened in the turbulent days following the arab spring and illuminates the obstacles to democratic transitions around the world

Pathways to Democracy 2014-01-21

a global examination that includes nations in latin america asia russia eastern europe and africa pathways to democracy investigates the implications of the various paths that nations take to democracy and the political and economic programs needed to stabilize new democracies from military to authoritarian to communist oligarchies the essays reveal that democratic transitions were instigated by divisions within the ruling elite challenges came from groups and interests outside the elite and poor economic performance followed in its wake an extensive look at what the united states can do through its foreign policy to promote and invest in democratization is included an introduction to democratization that is comprehensive and global in scope includes comprehensive focus on u s foreign policy

Transitions to Democracy 1995

the phenomenon of transitions to liberal democracy has become a major concern for political scientists in recent decades this text covers conceptual issues for regime change theoretical and comparative interpretations of transition and authoritarian collapse national case studies of transition divided into three area studies the international context of transition the move towards democratic consolidation and the future of democratic transition studies

Democratic Transition in the Middle East 2013-05-02

popular uprisings and revolts across the arab middle east have often resulted in a democratic faragh or void in power how society seeks to fill that void regardless of whether the regime falls or survives is the common trajectory followed by the seven empirical case studies published here for the first time this edited volume seeks to unpack the state of the democratic void in three interrelated fields democracy legitimacy and social relations in doing so the conventional treatment of democratization as a linear formal systemic and systematic process is challenged and the power politics of democratic transition reassessed through a close examination of case studies focusing on bahrain egypt iraq lebanon syria and yemen this collection introduces the reader to indigenous narratives on how power is wrested and negotiated from the bottom up it will be of interest to those seeking a fresh perspective on democratization models as well as those seeking to understand the reshaping of the arab middle east in the lead up to the arab spring

Problems of Democratic Transition and Consolidation 1996-08-16

5 actors and contexts

Uncertain Path 2006-06-07

in this case study of the politics of transition in eastern europe rudolf martin rizman provides a careful detailed sociological explanation and narrative on the emergence of independent statehood and democracy in slovenia a small state whose experience is of interest to policy makers scholars and serious students of eastern europe in his focus on the transition from an authoritarian to a democratic regime rizman analyzes social processes and political issues in the context of the third wave of democratization identifying zones of certainty and uncertainty challenging many generally accepted ideas about small states and their transitions to democracy this book places slovenia s pattern of democratization in the wider regional context of eastern and central european post communist transitions rizman shows for example that a country s size is merely one factor out of many and while slovenes considered the influence of larger states their choices were not particularly circumscribed by them opening with a discussion of the relevant theoretical environment in sociology and political science rizman illuminates the complex processes of democratic transition and consolidation from there the book analyzes the internal and external processes and factors relevant for slovenia s successful trajectory from existence as an ethnically defined sub nation to an internationally recognized nation state after careful consideration of religious political military intellectual and other socio political stakeholders in the region including the somewhat disturbing evidence of the salience of a new radical right rizman concludes that slovenia is irreversibly set on the course of democratization with indications of having reached the early stages of consolidation

The Politics and Memory of Democratic Transition 2010-11-23

most accounts on the spanish transition to democracy of the late 1970s are based on a false dilemma its simplest formulation could be was it the pressure from below i e the organized working classes students and neighbors associations that triggered political change or was the elite settlement reached by the regime soft liners and the moderate sectors of the democratic opposition that established it this new and innovative volume appraises the movement towards a more democratic spain from a variety of important perspectives the collection of essays sheds light on the wide range of crucial processes institutions and actors involved in the political transformation that operated in the spanish instance of the third wave of democratization by making comparisons to other democratic transitions synthesizing the ideas of several leading spanish history scholars as well as incorporating new voices involved in creating the directions of research to come the politics and memory of democratic transition offers a thorough and vital look at this key period in contemporary spanish history taking stock of critical lessons to be gleaned from the spanish transition and pointing the way toward its future as a democratic nation

Transitions to Democracy 1999-09-22

are the factors that initiate democratization the same as those that maintain a democracy already established the scholarly and policy debates over this question have never been more urgent in 1970 dankwart a rustow s clairvoyant article transitions to democracy toward a dynamic model questioned the conflation of the primary causes and sustaining conditions of democracy and democratization now this collection of essays by distinguished scholars responds to and extends rustow s classic work transitions to democracy which originated as a special issue of the journal comparative politics and contains three new articles written especially for this volume represents much of the current state of the large and growing literature on democratization in american political science the essays simultaneously illustrate the remarkable reach of rustow s prescient article across the decades and reveal what the intervening years have taught us in light of the enormous opportunities of the post cold war world for the promotion of democratic government in parts of the world once thought hopelessly lost of authoritarian and totalitarian regimes this timely collection constitutes and important contribution to the debates and efforts to promote the more open responsive and accountable government we associate with democracy

Democratic Transitions in East Africa 2019-07-16

originally published in 2004 genocide in rwanda massive floods of refugees and displaced people in the horn of africa violent civil wars in the west african countries of sierra leone and liberia these are testimonies to the tremendous cost to grassroots communities when the authority and legitimacy of national political systems and leaders are called into question the consolidation of democracy represents one tangible strategy to restore authority and legitimacy of political rule providing the peace and security necessary for political enfranchisement and economic opportunity this volume explores the factors that are crucial to the emergence of democratic political systems on the african continent specifically focusing on kenya tanzania and uganda it highlights the political challenges facing these countries during this crucial transition period and provides insights that are applicable to other countries engaged in this process in africa and beyond

Democratic Transition and Consolidation in Southern Europe, Latin America and Southeast Asia 2016-07-27

the breakdown of authoritarian regimes in greece spain and portugal in the mid 70s was the beginning of a new cycle of democratization at the world scale the 1980s have seen the emergence of formal constitutional democracies in many countries especially in latin america and southeast asia this book analyses in a comparative perspective the causes the modalities and the prospects of these political changes in three regions southern europe latin america and southeast asia

Problems of Democratic Transitions in Multi-Ethnic States 2009-06-01

saw myat sandy s study deals with theoretical and empirical analysis of the political transitions in former yugoslavia and

burma the present day myanmar it covers the transition period of both states from the late 1980s until present the author examines the democratic transition in both states where the process has been unsuccessfully accomplished i e after a very promising beginning sooner or later undermined by the challenges of the transition which threatened to reverse what was gained by democratisation in this dissertation saw myat sandy argues that the democratic transition in both states became an extended process of transition because of its multi ethnic societies the democratisation in former yugoslavia led to disintegration and in myanmar it is proving to be an intractable one and has become almost un resolvable to anyone s satisfaction myanmar today suffers from on going political instabilities that cause political and social fragmentations but does not demonstrate that it will fall into conventional balkan scenarios this dissertation analyses if myanmar s political transition will follow the former yugoslavian fate by using the transition theoretical framework and highlighting the empirical facts on the problems of ethnicity and other political factors that relate to these democratisation processes the theoretical approaches are based on the democratic transition and consolidation theories argued by juan j linz alfred stepan and samuel huntington as opposed to many quantitative studies relevant dimensions will gradually appear in this gualitative case study the theoretical perspectives that apply are equally significant and supplement each other and relate to its national experience the study contributes to the conventional theoretical debate and aims to offer the understanding for the need to expand the link between ethnicity and political transitions in transition theories it proposes a heuristic method to integrate the dynamic of ethnicity in political transition theories

Transitions to Democracy 2013-04-15

fifteen case studies by scholars and practitioners demonstrate the synergy between domestic and international influences that can precipitate democratic transitions as demonstrated by current events in tunisia and egypt oppressive regimes are rarely immune to their citizens desire for democratic government of course desire is always tempered by reality therefore how democratic demands are made manifest is a critical source of study for both political scientists and foreign policy makers what issues and consequences surround the fall of a government what type of regime replaces it and to what extent are these efforts successful kathryn stoner and michael mcfaul have created an accessible book of fifteen case studies from around the world that will help students understand these complex issues their model builds upon guillermo o donnell philippe c schmitter and laurence whitehead s classic work transitions from authoritarian rule using a rubric of four identifying factors that can be applied to each case study making comparison relatively easy transitions to democracy yields strong comparisons and insights for instance the study reveals that efforts led by the elite and involving the military are generally unsuccessful whereas mass mobilization civic groups and new media have become significant factors in supporting and sustaining democratic actors this collection of writings by scholars and practitioners is organized into three parts successful transitions incremental transitions and failed transitions extensive primary research and a rubric that can be applied to burgeoning democracies offer readers valuable tools and information

Democratic Transitions in the Arab World 2017-01-05

a cross country examination of authoritarianism and democracy in north africa and the middle east

The Political Economy of Democratic Transitions 2018-06-05

in the last two decades there has been a widespread movement from authoritarian to democratic rule among developing countries often occurring against a backdrop of severe economic crises and the adoption of market oriented reforms the coincidence of these events raises long standing questions about the relationship between economic and political change in this book stephan haggard and robert kaufman explore this relationship addressing a variety of questions what role have economic crises played in the current wave of political liberalization and democratization can new democracies manage the daunting political challenges posed by economic reform under what economic and institutional conditions is democracy most likely to be consolidated drawing on contemporary political economy and the experiences of twelve latin american and asian countries they develop a new approach to understanding democratic transitions haggard and kaufman first analyze the relationship between economic crisis and authoritarian withdrawal and then examine how the economic and institutional legacies of authoritarian rule affect the capacity of new democratic governments to initiate and sustain economic policy reform finally the authors analyze the consolidation of political and economic reform over the long run throughout they emphasize the relationship between economic conditions the interests and power of contending social groups and the mediating role of representative institutions particularly political parties

Democratic Transition in Asia 1994

the book as the outcome of a research performed by the university of florence and the united states institute of peace of washington explores the role of law in the process of democratic transition in south africa more specifically it emphasize how constitutional law may contribute to civilize apparently reconcilable conflicts a part from laying down the foundations of the new legal order and institutions the book as the outcome of a research performed by the university of florence and the united states institute of peace of washington explores the role of law in the process of democratic transition in south africa more specifically it emphasize how constitutional law may contribute to civilize apparently reconcilable conflicts a part from laying down the foundations of the new legal order and institutions publisher s description

Constitutionalism and Democratic Transitions 2006

the 2010 s was a critical period in the continuing established trend of the spread of democracy worldwide from the arab spring countries of tunisia libya egypt and yemen to the unfolding turmoil of myanmar and ukraine by way of the upheavals in burkina faso senegal and ivory coast social mobilisation against autocratic corrupt or military regimes has precipitated political transitions that are characteristic of democratisation this book examines the state of democratisation theory and practice that reopens and revives the democratic transition debate exploring the factors that lead to the demise of autocracy the pathways and processes of change and the choice for an eventual consolidation of democracy for all its insights and shortcomings the framework of transitology a body of literature that has comparatively and through case study analysis examined common patterns sequences crises and outcomes of transitional periods has been largely eschewed the essays written by international democratisation specialists tackle the series of questions raised by a body of literature that remains highly useful to understand contemporary political turbulence and transformation considering numerous crucial issues this work will be of key interest to scholars students and practitioners of governance democratisation comparative politics international relations political science and more broadly history

Democratisation in the 21st Century 2016-10-04

what conditions motivate a transition to democracy can the dynamics of a transition influence its outcome under what circumstances has democracy been consolidated in africa this trilogy of questions has become necessary in light of the current democratic wave engulfing africa and the rest of the world in examining the conditions that initiate democratic transitions this book investigates the circumstances under which democracy movements have operated between 1980 and 1990 it concludes that contrary to dominant democratic theory the transitions to democracy in africa have occurred under declining levels of development with regard to transitions the book recognizes that they have their own dynamics two main types of transitions are discerned top down and bottom up the book argues that in spite of the restrictive nature of top down transitions they offer a better opportunity for democratic consolidation because of the consensus between elites of the pro democracy regime and their counterparts in the authoritarian regime a condition that is normally absent under bottom up transitions finally relying on the cases of consolidated democracies the book derives an african democracy model the model delineates five main conditions that facilitate democratic consolidation including good leadership relevant political institutions external support civic space and a reasonable level of development it cautions however that these are not sufficient conditions nor are all of them necessary since countries have unique historical circumstances specific countries will have to combine conditions in the model that are relevant to that society to consolidate its democracy the right combination will depend on the specific needs of the individual country

Transitions and Consolidation of Democracy in Africa 2008

with the fall of communism and the breakup of yugoslavia the successor states have faced a historic challenge to create separate modern democracies from the ashes of the former authoritarian state central to the croatian experience has been the issue of nationalism and whether the croatian state should be defined as a citizens state with members of all nationality groups treated as equal or as a national state of the croats with a consequent privileging of croatian culture and language but also with a quota system for members of national minorities sabrina p ramet and davorka matic have gathered here a series of studies by important scholars to examine the development of croatia in the aftermath of communism and the war that marred the transition sixteen scholars of the region discuss the values and institutions central to croatia s transformation from communism and toward liberal democracy they discuss economic change political parties and the uses of history since 1989 to understand the patterns in croatia they examine how civic values have been expressed reinforced and sometimes challenged through religion education and the media the implications of nationalism in its various manifestations are treated thematically in all the analyses this book is a companion volume to a similar study on slovenia edited by sabrina p ramet and danica fink hafner and released in fall 2006 together these two works form an important case study in comparison and contrast between two countries in the same region going through the transition from communism to liberal democracy scholars and policy makers will find a wealth of material in these two volumes

Democratic Transition in Croatia 2007-06-18

with democracy on the rise worldwide questions about transition are rapidly being replaced by questions about consolidation how can leaders provide for a stable democracy once a nation has made its initial commitment to the rule of law and to popularly edledted government in the politics of democratic consolidation a distinguished group of internationally recognized scholars focus on four nations of southern europe spain portugal italy and greece which have successfully consolidated their democratic regimes contributors p nikiforos diamandouros richard gunther hans jürgen puhle edward malefakis juan j linz alfred stepan felipe agüero geoffrey pridham sidney tarrow leonardo morlino josé r montero gianfranco pasquino and philippe c schmitter

The Politics of Democratic Consolidation 1995-08

contributors to this book are particularly interested in expanding our understanding of what helps or hurts successful democratic transition attempts in countries with large muslim populations crafting pro democratic coalitions among secularists and islamists presents a special obstacle that must be addressed by theorists and practitioners the argument throughout the book is that such coalitions will not happen if potentially democratic secularists are part of what al stepan terms the authoritarian regime s constituency of coercion because they the secularists are afraid that free elections will be won by islamists who threaten them even more than the existing secular authoritarian regime tunisia allows us to do analysis on this topic by comparing two least similar recent case outcomes democratic success in tunisia and democratic failure in egypt tunisia also allows us to do an analysis of four most similar case outcomes by comparing the successful democratic transitions in tunisia indonesia senegal and the country with the second or third largest muslim population in the world india did these countries face some common challenges concerning democratization did all four of these successful cases in fact use some common policies that while democratic had not normally been used in transitions in countries without significant numbers of muslims if so did these policies help the transitions in tunisia indonesia senegal and india if they did we should incorporate them in some way into our comparative theories about successful democratic transitions

Democratic Transition in the Muslim World 2018

balancing historical and contemporary cases this comparative text examines the crucial question of what promotes or prevents the successful founding of democratic systems the country case studies are placed in context by a substantial introduction surveying theories of democracy and democratic transition and by a conclusion assessing the cases and suggesting common patterns in the establishment of successful democracies balancing historical and contemporary cases this comparative text examines the crucial question of what promotes or prevents the successful founding of democratic systems underscoring lessons learned from successful regime change and assessing current efforts to establish democracies whose ultimate fate is yet uncertain this book will enable students to evaluate the chances of success for societies making the transition from an authoritarian or communist regime the case studies are placed in context by a substantial introduction surveying theories of democracy and democratic transition and a conclusion comparing the cases and suggesting common patterns in the establishment of successful democracies created for upper level students this book can be used as a primary text to be supplemented by theoretical readings or as a source of additional case studies extensive notes provide a wealth of suggestions for further reading and research

Establishing Democracies 2021-01-07

an examination of the evolution of the democratic two party system in taiwan this work explores the growth of taiwan s competitive party system in the context of social attitudes issue based politics and local factions

Taiwan's Electoral Politics and Democratic Transition: Riding the Third Wave 2016-09-16

a preliminary version of this paper was presented at the summer school on problems of transition to democracy in africa organized by the centro de estudos africanos for aegis the european network of african studies at the convento da arrábida near lisbon september 10th to 23rd 1995 the summer school was sponsored by the european community d g viii the gulbenkian and luso american foundation the junta nacional de investigação científica portuguese agency for science and technology and the instituto da cooperação portuguesa portuguese agency for development cooperation

The challenges of democratic transition in South Africa 1995-01-02

democratization emerged at a time of epochal change in global politics the twin impacts of the end of the soviet union and the speeding up and deepening of globalisation in the early 1990s meant a whole new ball game in terms of global political developments the journal s first issue appeared in early 1994 over time the editorial position has been consistently to focus on the third wave of democracy and its aftermath the third wave is the most recent exemplar of a long term historical trend towards more democratically viable regimes and away from authoritarian systems and leaders in short the journal wants to promote a better understanding of democratization defined as the way democratic norms institutions and practices evolve and are disseminated both within and across national and cultural boundaries over the years the many excellent articles that we have featured in the journal have shared our focus on democratization viewed as a process the journal has sought and continues to seek to build on the enduring scholarly and of course popular interest in democracy how and why it emerges develops and becomes consolidated our emphasis over the last 20 years has been contemporary and the approach comparative with a strong desire to be both topical and authoritative we include special reference to democratization in the developing world and in post communist societies in sum just as 20 years ago the journal today aims to encourage debate on the many aspects of democratization that are of interest to policy makers administrators and journalists aid and development personnel those involved in education and perhaps above all the tens of millions of ordinary people around the world who do not yet enjoy the benefits of living under democratic rule the two dozen articles collected in this virtual special issue are emphatic proof of the power of the written word to induce debate uncertainty and ultimately progress towards better forms of politics focused on the achievement of the democratic aspirations of men and women everywhere

<u>Twenty Years of Studying Democratization</u> 2015-06-05

incorporates the lessons learned from the 2011 arab revolutions into democratic transition theory

After the Arab Revolutions 2023-05-19

a systematic theoretical and empirical analysis of variations in tansitions to democracy

Democratic Transitions 2005

ibrahim offers a comparative study of the democratic transitions in the anglophone countries of west africa identifying regional trends and discreet factors he argues that democracy is creeping up the agenda owing to a detremined struggle for human rights and because democracy has been denied to the people for so long he identifies a number of common issues across the region the rise of a militarised secular state a significant increase in public corruption the primitive accumulation of capital an intense battle to deepen democracy between civil society and the state the appropriation of gender poltiics by the state through the office of the first ladies and the growing dissidence between elections and political choice the study also addresses what may be considered an acceptable regional model in ghana and an unacceptable example in liberia

Democratic Transition in Anglophone West Africa 2003

saw myat sandy s study deals with theoretical and empirical analysis of the political transitions in former yugoslavia and burma the present day myanmar it covers the transition period of both states from the late 1980s until present the author examines the democratic transition in both states where the process has been unsuccessfully accomplished i e after a very promising beginning sooner or later undermined by the challenges of the transition which threatened to reverse what was gained by democratisation in this dissertation saw myat sandy argues that the democratic transition in both states became an extended process of transition because of its multi ethnic societies the democratisation in former yugoslavia led to disintegration and in myanmar it is proving to be an intractable one and has become almost un resolvable to anyone s satisfaction myanmar today suffers from on going political instabilities that cause political and social fragmentations but does not demonstrate that it will fall into conventional balkan scenarios this dissertation analyses if myanmar s political transition will follow the former yugoslavian fate by using the transition theoretical framework and highlighting the empirical facts on the problems of ethnicity and other political factors that relate to these democratisation processes the theoretical approaches are based on the democratic transition and consolidation theories argued by juan j linz alfred stepan and samuel huntington as opposed to many quantitative studies relevant dimensions will gradually appear in this qualitative case study the theoretical perspectives that apply are equally significant and supplement each other and relate to its national experience the study contributes to the conventional theoretical debate and aims to offer the understanding for the need to expand the link between ethnicity and political transitions in transition theories it proposes a heuristic method to integrate the dynamic of ethnicity in political transition theories

Problems of Democratic Transitions in Multi-ethnic States 2009

this is a study of the international context of democratization aiming to enlarge on previous studies which have concentrated upon internal domestic factors in the overthrow of authoritarian undemocratic regimes

Encouraging Democracy 1991

the book contains twelve essays by stephen holmes frances m kamm maria ludassy steven lukes gyorgy markus andras sajo gaspar miklos tamas andrew arato timothy garton ash bela greskovits will kymlicka and aleksander smolar the studies explore a wide scope of subjects that belong to disciplines ranging from moral philosophy through theory of human rights democratic transition constitutionalism to political economy the common denominator of the studies collected is their reference to the scholarly output of janos kis in honor of his sixtieth birthday janos kis is a distinguished political philosopher who after many years spent as a dissident under the communist regime emerged as an important political figure in hungary s transition to democracy currently he is university professor of philosophy at central european university budapest

From Liberal Values to Democratic Transition 2004-01-01

this comparative study explores the impact of populist majoritarianism on greek and turkish democratic transition using case studies from greece and turkey the author argues that while majoritarianism is often celebrated as a manifestation of popular sovereignty it can undermine institutional performance and even stifle the process of democratic consolidation contributing to a confrontational and inefficient democratic regime in cases of transition states where levels of social capital are low and social polarization is high it is shown that building up a mild democracy requires maturity of institutions and an efficient system of checks and balances and implementation control mechanisms while building consensus and trust in societies torn by ethnic religious and ideological divides is not a luxury but a permissive condition for democratic consolidation and economic prosperity this book will be of use to students and scholars interested in the fields of greek and turkish politics comparative politics and democracy

Democratic Transition and the Rise of Populist Majoritarianism 2017-10-12

the book as the outcome of a research performed by the university of florence and the united states institute of peace of washington explores the role of law in the process of democratic transition in south africa more specifically it emphasize how constitutional law may contribute to civilize apparently unreconcilable conflicts a part from laying down the foundations

of the new legal order and institutions

Constitutionalism and Democratic Transitions 2006

since south korea achieved partial democracy in 1987 the country has moved away from authoritarian political control however after two decades of democratic transition south korea still does not have a strong liberal individualist culture something that has brought about a wide range of scholarly discussion on the nature of democracy practised in this dynamic country while the political changes in south korea have received rigorous attention from western scholars less attention has been given to the changing nature and role of media in this and other such transitions this book focuses on the changing role of media in the more democratised political landscape of south korea it thereby contributes to debates about the emerging role of the media in democratic transition especially in relation to approaches that go beyond traditional western constructs of media freedom and the relationship between the state and the media in addition it discusses the complex interacting forces that affect the role of the media and their implications for state control and democratisation

Media and Democratic Transition in South Korea 2012-07-26

this book explains why some countries succeed in installing democracy after authoritarian rule and why some of these new democracies make progress toward consolidation casper and taylor show that a democratic government can be installed when elite bargaining during the transition process is relatively smooth they view elite bargaining in twenty four transitions cases some where continued authoritarianism was the result others where a democratic government was the result and a third outcome where progress towards consolidation was the end product

Negotiating Democracy 1996-07-15

politics in pakistan has traditionally been understood in the context of civil military relationship in may 2013 for the first time in history pakistan saw an elected government complete a full term in office and transfer power through the ballot box to another civilian government in view of such an important development this book offers critical perspectives on pakistan s current democratic transition and its implications for national politics security and foreign policy it critically analyses the emerging political trends in the country including their underlying sources attributes constraints and prospects of sustainability drawing on history diverse theoretical perspectives and empirical evidence it explains the dynamics of the democratic process contested borders and spaces and regionalism contributions are from 13 prominent scholars in the field who provide a wide ranging analysis of pakistan s contemporary national and regional challenges as well as the opportunities they entail for its viability as a democratic state taking the debate on pakistan beyond the outmoded notions of praetorian politics and security the book explores the future prospects of civilian supremacy in the country it will be of interest to students and scholars of south asian politics political sociology and security studies as well as policy makers diplomats security experts and military professionals

Pakistan's Democratic Transition 2016-11-03

this topical book studies the process of democratic transition in myanmar it outlines the factors that contributed to the political transition in the country and the circumstances in which the transition from military rule of nearly five decades to democracy took place the author shows how political groups especially aung san suu kyi s national league for democracy and the military that had been hostile to the idea and practice of democracy came to work together paving the way for the political change after protracted struggle the volume also examines the role of the civil society elites external agencies and institutions in the process of democratic change bringing together a balance of primary ethnographic fieldwork and nuanced analyses this book will be of great interest to scholars and researchers of asian and southeast asian studies politics and political processes democratization process and democratic transitions international relations peace and conflict studies especially those concerned with myanmar

Democratisation of Myanmar 2015-12-22

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The Democratic Transition in Nepal 2000

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