



IPSA RC02 POLITICAL ELITES

NEWSLETTER #5 (Summer 2014)

1. RC02 News

We are looking forward to meeting many of our members at the **upcoming IPSA World Congress** in Montréal and will publish a report on our panels in the next newsletter.

Unfortunately, only a few members sent us information on new publications and ongoing projects for this newsletter. We encourage you to send relevant information whenever it is available so that we can post it immediately on the RC02 website and will also be able to include it in the next edition of the newsletter.

2. Upcoming Events

2.1. IPSA 23rd World Congress of Political Science



Business Meeting of RC02: Thursday, July 24th, 15.00 – 16.00, Room 447

RC02 Panels:

[Diplomats of ideas and networks of norms: how think tanks and foundations are shaping the policy-making](#)

Chair: Dr. Xavier Carpentier Tanguy

Palais des congrès - 521a

Sunday, July 20th - 17:00-18:45

Papers:

European Think Tanks: bridges to nowhere ?

Dr. Luca Barani

Le réseau européen et les Nodes

Dr. Xavier Carpentier Tanguy

The Digital Rights and Access to Knowledge Movements: The Rise of a Networked Do-Ocracy

Dr. Melanie Dulong de Rosnay

Elite-Mass Interaction in Anticorruption Discourse: Analysis of Government Manifestos in the Czech Republic and Slovakia

Dr. Miroslav Beblavy, Dr. Emilia Beblava

[Political Dynasties : Patterns and Practices](#)

Chair: Dr. Ward Vloeberghs

Palais des congrès – 516e

Tuesday, July 21st - 9:00-10:45

Papers:

Dying with Dynastic Politicians: Who is Voting for Hereditary Candidates in Japan?

Dr. Airo Hino

Dynasties Politiques Brésiliennes: permanence des familles dans la politique l'État du Mato Grosso

Ms. Larissa Arruda

Is political family a key explanation in the political career success of Spanish MPs?

Mr. Francisco Javier Alarcón González, Mrs. Giselle García-Hípola

Political lineages in Catalonia, 1939-2014. From Dictatorship to Independence?

Dr. Charles Cotton

[Types of Political Elites Yesterday and Today](#)

Chair: Prof. John Higley

Palais des congrès - 521b

Wednesday, July 23rd - 13:00-14:45

Papers:

Do We Really Need a Universally Accepted Elite Typology?

Prof. Ursula Hoffmann-Lange

LA TRANSGRESSION DES FRONTIERES SYMBOLIQUES AU SEIN DES ELITES

Mr. Bastien Amiel

Liberal thinkers taking care of the political elite: François Guizot, Friedrich A. Hayek, John Rawls, three visions of democracy

Dr. Olivia Leboyer

Political Elites in BRIC countries: structure, models of recruitment and rotation

Prof. Oxana Gaman-Golutvina

Elites and Mass Publics: A Relationship in Crisis?

Chair: Prof. Heinrich Best

Palais des congrès - 521b

Wednesday, July 23rd - 15:00-16:45

Papers:

Political Elites and the Mass in Russia: the Mediatory Role of Parliament

Mr. Andrey Petrov, Mr. Nikita Pichugin

The Elite Paradigm's Prospects

Prof. John Higley

Transformation of the Elite-Mass Relationship in the Context of Deep Economic Fluctuations. The Case of Finland

Prof. Ilkka Ruostetsaari

Political Representation and Participation in Crisis Europe

Chair: Prof. Andre Freire

Co-Chair: Prof. Pedro Tavares de Almeida

Discussant: Prof. Oddbjørn Knutsen

Palais des congrès - 521b

Wednesday, July 23rd - 17:00-18:45

Papers:

Candidate campaigns in comparative perspective: a multi-level analysis

Prof. Marco Lisi, Dr. José Santana-Pereira

Citizens engagement with Parliaments in Europe through petitions, an evaluation framework

Mr. Tiago Tiburcio

Do women in Parliament make a difference for substantive representation? Ideology and Policy Preferences of Male and Female Prospective MPs in Comparative Perspective

Dr. Ana Espírito-Santo, Miss Sofia Serra da Silva, Prof. Andre Freire

Levels and Styles of Political Participation in Europe: before and after the 2008 crisis

Prof. José Manuel Leite Viegas, Prof. Conceição Pequito, Miss Inês Amador

The impact of the economic crisis on the ideological space in Portugal, Spain and Greece: A comparison of elites and voters

Dr. Emmanouil Tsatsanis, Prof. Andre Freire, Dr. Ioannis Tsirmpas

Who Pushes the "Revolving Door"? Moving Between Public Office and Private Interests: The Case of Portuguese Ministers (1983-2013)

Mr. Thierry Dias Coelho

Methodological Aspects of Elite Studies

Chair: Dr. Elena Semenova

Palais des congrès - 521b

Thursday, July 24th - 9:00-10:45

Papers:

Application of Social Network Analysis in Elite Studies

Ms. Tetiana Kostiuhenko, Dr. Elena Semenova

Coding professions in research with political elites: a methodological and a typological discussion

Prof. Adriano Codato, Mr. Lucas Massimo, Mr. Luiz Domingos Costa

Cross-National Research with QCA: New Methodological Perspectives in the Study of the Latin American Elites

Mr. Bastián González-Bustamante

The use of archives and collective restitution: two ways to reduce the inequality of positions when we study elite.

Dr. Meryll David-Ismayil

What, how, and why to mix research methods in the study of elites' career patterns?

Mr. Jérémy Dodeigne

Distinctiveness and Transformations of the Political Elites

Chair: Dr. Jaime Baeza

Palais des congrès - 521a

Thursday, July 24th - 13:00-14:45

Papers:

Career Trajectories of the Sixth Russian Duma Deputies from the "United Russia" Party: Political and Sociological Analysis

Mr. Ilya Zarankin

Developing an index for comparing elite institutions through an examination of the schools attended by Irish and UK cabinet ministers

Dr. John Hogan, Dr. Brendan K. O'Rourke

Distinctiveness and Elite-Mass Distinction in Argentina, Chile and Uruguay

Prof. Alfredo Joignant, Mr. Bastián González-Bustamante

Elite and mass response to the global financial crisis in South Africa

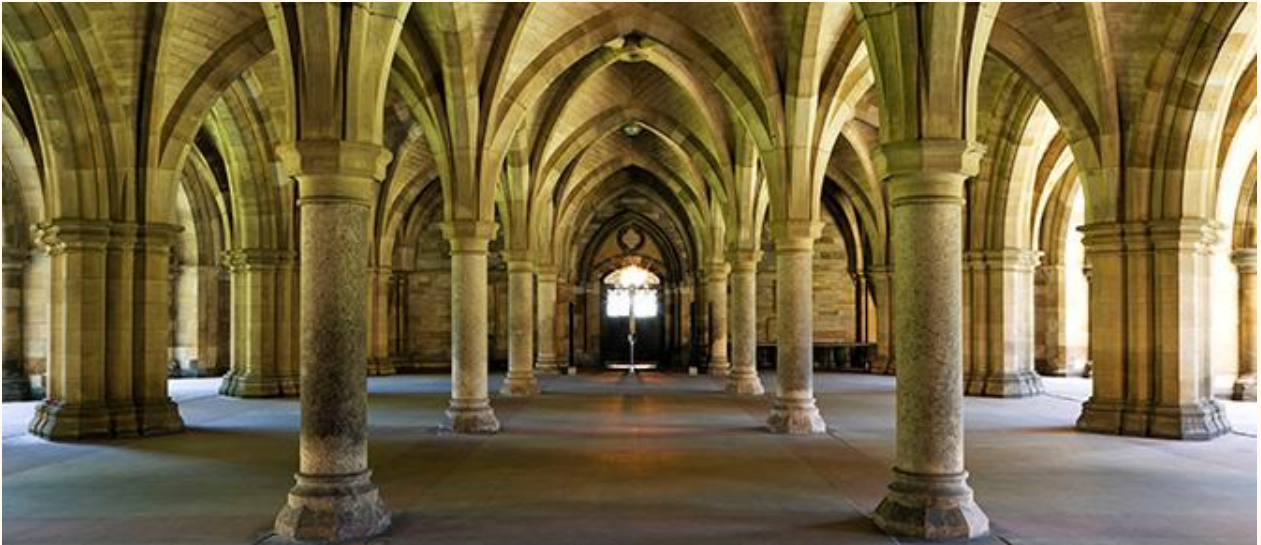
Prof. Hennie Kotzé, Dr. Cindy Lee Steenekamp

Executive careers in multi-level systems: a comparative perspective

Miss Melany Barragan

2.2. ECPR General Conference in Glasgow 3 - 6 September 2014

<http://ecpr.eu/Events/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=14>



Section 026 Elites and Citizens: Leadership, Responsiveness, or Distance? (Chair: Heinrich Best, Co-Chair: Jacques Thomassen)

The analysis of elite-citizen relations is structured by at least two distinctive approaches. On the one hand, scholars center their research on the responsible-party model, which is conceived as policy-mandate approach to representation. On the other hand, elite-centered approaches deny the possibility of any kind of mandate for political elites but have focused on elite-mass differences concerning the perception and evaluation of democratic politics and institutions. If we consider the multiple linkages between policies and politics/polities, both strands of research investigate the conditions and patterns of elite-citizens interactions. However, their theoretical approaches, empirical concepts and results are only loosely connected. Thus, the aim of the proposed section is to foster exchange and mutual stimulation. The panels address questions about the direction of influence (leadership, responsiveness), (in-)congruence of conceptions of democracy, mutual perceptions and (dis-)trust.

P084 Elite Policies and Mass Responses in Multilevel Systems

Chair: Heinrich Best

Time: 04/09/2014 09:00

Building: James Watt South Floor: 3 Room: J375

P157 Institutions as Challenges for Political Elites in Democratic Systems

Chair: Jacques Thomassen

Time: 04/09/2014 11:00

Building: James Watt South Floor: 3 Room: J375

P259 Policy Congruence: Causes and Consequences

Chair: Lars Vogel

Time: 04/09/2014 14:00

Building: James Watt South Floor: 3 Room: J375

P270 Political Parties and Mandate Politics

Chair: Tom Louwerse

Time: 04/09/2014 16:00

Building: James Watt South Floor: 3 Room: J375

P305 Relationships Between MPs and Citizens and Social Groups

Chair: Pablo Onate

Time: 05/09/2014 09:00

Building: James Watt South Floor: 3 Room: J375

P323 Social and Political Foundations of Political Leadership

Chair: Irmina Matonyte

Time: 05/09/2014 11:00

Building: James Watt South Floor: 3 Room: J375

2.3. International Congress in Salamanca 2015

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

Elites and leadership in times of change

Salamanca, July 10 and 11 of 2015

FIRST NOTICE

The Parliamentary Elites of Latin America (PELA) Project of Salamanca University will reach its twentieth anniversary next year. Hence, staff members, together with a group of colleges who have been working on the same subject, issue the following call:

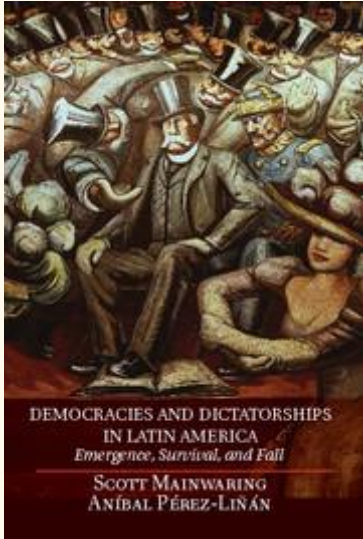
The Congress aim is to gather all those who work either on the field of elites or leadership. Although politics occupies a central place, contributions coming from other collectives are welcome. The Congress will follow a semi-closed workshop format organized around similar thematic concerns where all participants discuss the presented papers. Therefore, it has been structured on the basis of thematic areas that will gather an ideal number of fifteen papers. According to the demand however, these areas could be subdivided or merged with others. Papers will be debated throughout five sessions scheduled in two days; each will be commented and given enough time for discussion.

The Congress encourages the participation of postgraduate students, university scholars and professionals from Superior Research Organizations that conduct their investigations on these areas. Official languages will be Spanish and Portuguese although eventually it could also receive communications in English.

Deadline for submission of paper proposals: June 1 to November 30

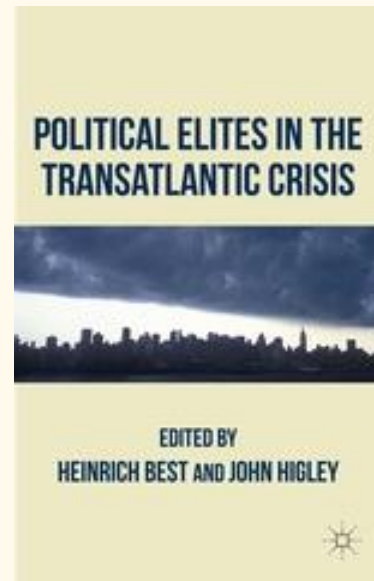
3. New Books on Elites

Scott Mainwaring (University of Notre Dame) and Aníbal Pérez-Liñán (University of Pittsburgh):
Democracies and Dictatorships in Latin America: Emergence, Survival, and Fall. Cambridge:
Cambridge University Press 2013.

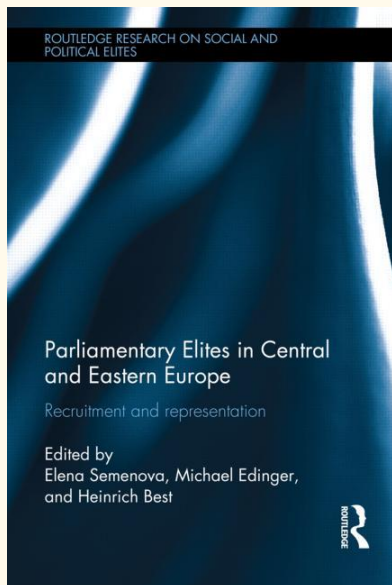


This book presents a new theory for why political regimes emerge, and why they subsequently survive or break down. It then analyzes the emergence, survival and fall of democracies and dictatorships in Latin America since 1900. Scott Mainwaring and Aníbal Pérez-Liñán argue for a theoretical approach situated between long-term structural and cultural explanations and short-term explanations that look at the decisions of specific leaders. They focus on the political preferences of powerful actors - the degree to which they embrace democracy as an intrinsically desirable end and their policy radicalism - to explain regime outcomes. They also demonstrate that transnational forces and influences are crucial to understand regional waves of democratization. Based on extensive research into the political histories of all twenty Latin American countries, this book offers the first extended analysis of regime emergence, survival and failure for all of Latin America over a long period of time.

Political Elites in the Transatlantic Crisis
Edited by Heinrich Best and John Higley
Palgrave Macmillan 2014



Abstract: The United States and most European countries have experienced an economic-political crisis unmatched in severity since the Great Depression. The crisis discredits the thesis of a nexus between free markets, unending economic growth and liberal democracy. It is obvious that elites – principal decision-makers in powerful public and private organizations at national and supranational levels – have been pivotal actors in this crisis. It has without doubt been the hour of elites. What do elites' responses to the crisis reveal? How are elites altered by it? In whose interests have they acted? Although the authority of elites is always subject to dispute, has the crisis damaged it irreparably? What do decisive actions by non-elected elites and leaders in the Federal Reserve, European Central Bank, European Commission and other institutions mean for democracy? In analyses covering five years of crisis, from 2008 to mid-2013, leading scholars in the field address these questions in order to understand the role of elites in the transatlantic crisis.



Parliamentary Elites in Central and Eastern Europe. Recruitment and Representation

Edited by Elena Semanova, Michael Edinger, Heinrich Best

Routledge – 2014 – 322 pages

Series: Routledge Research on Social and Political Elites

Hardback: 978-0-415-84346-1: \$135 / £80 (20% discount code: LRK69)

Abstract:

Legislators are entrusted with key parliamentary functions and are important figures in the decision-making process. Their behaviour as political elites is as much responsible for the failures and successes of the new democracies as their institutional designs and constitutional reforms.

This book provides a comparative examination of representative elites and their role in democratic development in post-communist Central and Eastern Europe (CEE). It argues that as the drivers of the transformation process in CEE, individual and collective parliamentary actors matter. The authors provide an in-depth analysis of representatives from eleven national parliaments and explore country-specific features of recruitment and representation. They draw on an integrated dataset of parliamentary elites for individual, party family, and parliamentary variables over the 20 years following the collapse of Communism and develop a common framework for the analysis of variations in democratisation and political professionalisation between parliaments and political parties/party families across CEE.

This unique volume will be of interest to students and scholars of comparative politics, elite research, post-communist politics, democratisation, legislative studies, and parliamentary representation.