

The Far Right in the Balkans

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Abstract

The Far Right in the Balkans is the first book to provide comprehensive coverage of the far right political party phenomenon in the region. The author focuses on political parties commonly described as lying on the far right in academic literature and examines their development from 2000 till 2010. The text provides a detailed analysis of historical legacies in understanding the overall context of nationalism as well as an overview of these political parties in each and every country. It discusses political parties individually, detailing their ideological features, internal organization and leadership, strategy, and compares their political, social, economic, ethno-cultural and international characteristics. It focuses on the main factors that were influential in the successes and failures of the far right and reveals a comparison between the typical far right voter living in the Balkans and the one in Western Europe. The implementation and enforcement of legislature such as hate speech is also looked at, along with other legal issues effecting the extremist and radical parties in the region. The book appeals to academics, established scholars and practitioners focused on Balkan issues, researching radicalism and extremism and participating in the establishment of democratic practices. The text is valuable to students at all levels and complements syllabuses in Political Science, Eastern European Studies, Balkan Studies and Security Studies among others.

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