This Update was issued on 30 September 2019. It is based on new publications and suggestions from users of the Democratic Decay & Renewal (DEM-DEC) resource.

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We’re Back from Hiatus

DEM-DEC was on hiatus from August to mid-September 2019.

This Global Research Update therefore covers research from both August and September. The number of monographs and edited collections, in particular, is much higher as a result.

Updates will be produced on the usual monthly basis from this Update onward.
About DEM-DEC

Created by Dr Tom Gerald Daly and supported by a range of leading academic and policy organisations, Democratic Decay & Renewal (DEM-DEC) is an online resource aiming to provide useful information on the deterioration and re-thinking of democratic rule worldwide through a mixture of curated, collaborative, and user-generated content including a Research Database, Concept Index, Experts Database, Events Database, Teaching Materials, and Links.

DEM-DEC’s core purpose is to bring scholars and policymakers together in a collaborative project to pool expertise on democratic decay and democratic renewal, in a context where many experts are talking in silos, or past one another, where the literature is rapidly expanding, and events and projects are proliferating across the world.

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His current book project concerns the role of public law in countering ‘democratic decay’ worldwide. Recent academic publications include an article on ‘Democratic Decay: Conceptualising an Emerging Research Field’ (Hague Journal on the Rule of Law). Policy publications include a chapter on ‘Democratic Decay in 2016’ in International IDEA’s Annual Review of Constitution-Building for 2016.

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DEM-DEC Director Tom Daly will be on the panel 'How Media Can Help Restore Public Trust in Democracy'
(organised in collaboration with Project Syndicate) Monday 14 October

He will also attend other key meetings, including:
'Update Liberal Democracy' Workshop (13 Oct)
'The Third Wave of Autocratization: How to Face It?' at Žofín Palace (14 Oct)
‘Human Rights Foreign Policy in the Age of Rising Authoritarianism’ at the Embassy of Canada (15 Oct)

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- Constitutional Amendments: Making, Breaking, and Changing Constitutions
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- How to Democratize Europe
- This Is Not Propaganda: Adventures in the War Against Reality

Edited Collections:
- Democracies Divided: The Global Challenge of Political Polarization
- The Far Right and the Environment: Politics, Discourse and Communication
- Multiple Populisms: Italy as Democracy’s Mirror
- The Far-Right in Contemporary Australia
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- The International Rule of Law: Rise or Decline?
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- articles and book reviews on rule of law, executive privilege, constitutional resilience, and celebrity power in the US, Uruguay’s Laretta doctrine, participatory institutions in Latin America, populism and rule of law in Canada

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ICON Journal, CML Review, HJLR, European Judicial Review
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Introduction

The DEM-DEC Bibliography

The DEM-DEC Bibliography is provided on Democratic Decay & Renewal (DEM-DEC) at www.democratic-decay.org, which was launched on 25 June 2018 and which aims to provide useful information to academics and policymakers concerned with the creeping deterioration of democratic rule worldwide and on re-thinking democratic governance.

The main Bibliography (finalised on 24 June 2018) presents a global range of research on democratic decay. It has a strong focus on research by public lawyers – spanning constitutional, international and transnational law – but also includes key research from political science, as well as policy texts.

Thirteenth monthly update since DEM-DEC was launched

Updates to the Bibliography are issued every month. This is the thirteenth monthly update provided and was issued on Monday 30 September 2019. All updates should be read in conjunction with the main DEM-DEC bibliography.

Comprehensiveness

It is impossible to be comprehensive given the broad scope of the subject. However, the updates here have been collated from suggestions by scholars and experts worldwide, a broad search of publisher websites and academic journals worldwide, as well as information collated on leading blogs. Blog posts, media articles, and (with some exceptions) policy documents are not covered.

Period covered by this update

As this is a monthly update, the main items here are from August-late September 2019. Items suggested by DEM-DEC users include earlier material. In addition, the ‘Forthcoming Research’ section provides a growing list of future publications.

Global Coverage

The Global Research Updates aim for global coverage. However, it should be borne in mind that the Bibliography and Updates, at present, collate information exclusively in the English language.

Hyperlinks

Every effort is made to provide hyperlinks to access each text listed, or at least information on the text. Please remain mindful that some links may be broken over time.

Acknowledgments

Sincere thanks to all who have suggested additions and sent key information for this Update. A particular thanks to DEM-DEC’s Research Editors, Kuan-Wei Chen and Anant Sangal, who have provided highly valuable assistance in compiling information for this Update.
Editorial: Reflecting on 1989

Identifying Themes

In each monthly Update DEM-DEC Director Dr Tom Gerald Daly writes an editorial based on key themes in the Update. The aim is simply to provide ‘added value’ by helping users to navigate the Update, and to provide some limited commentary, especially on very recent research.

1 Soul-Searching 30 Years After 1989

As 2019 draws to an end we find ourselves reflecting intensely on the legacy and meaning of 1989 as a pivotal year that seemed to usher in a new democratic era. The German Marshall Fund has produced a keynote report, Reassessing 1989 (September 2019), examining a range of themes, including: liberal overreach and the misinterpretation of 1989; the end of techno-Utopianism; the thirtieth anniversary of Tiananmen Square; the “mixed fruits” of Poland’s democratic transition; the headwinds buffeting the EU; authoritarian advances and the end of global democratic expansion; the rise of precarious work; and the myriad ways in which technology is shaping, and poised to shape, our world – not least artificial intelligence, quantum computing, biotechnology, and the infrastructure of the Internet itself.

Certainly, from our current standpoint the comparison between the hope of 1989 and the alarm of 2019 is striking. Cas Mudde’s new book addresses the “renaissance” and normalisation of far-right politics, with (in his view) radical right leaders in three of the world’s largest democracies: USA, Brazil, and India. Secretary General Thorbjørn Jagland opens the Council of Europe’s new 2018 Report saying that the Council “remains vigilant and proactive to counter dangerous trends.” With the ruling authoritarian PiS party leads in Poland’s imminent election, prorogation and impeachment bring democratic crises to fever pitch in the UK and US, and Hong Kong convulses in city-wide protests, it is easy to be despondent. As Peter Pomerantsev puts it so eloquently in his new book, This Is Not Propaganda: “I feel that everything that I thought solid is now unsteady, liquid.”

However, it is also a moment for renewed hope and for action. On 13-15 October I will attend Forum 2000’s conference in October – the 23rd since it was set up after 1989 – devoted to the theme Recovering the Promise of 1989. Democracy defenders from across the world will convene to “to analyze these challenges and search for ways to renew ... and strengthen democracy” and discuss “our common global future in the next 30 years.” Attendees will include Jan Zielonka, whose 2018 book on ‘liberal Europe in retreat’ (included in this Update) emphasises the need to ground liberal democracy in an equitable economy – which resonates with Tarun Khaitan’s new article on preventing excessive material inequality from becoming political inequality, or even plutocracy.

2 Seeing Many Roads Forward

Many analysts featured in this Update, while anatomising the problems facing democracy, also chart a way forward. Taking a very broad lens (mirroring their previous book, Why Nations Fail), Daron Acemoglu and James Robinson in The Narrow Corridor (September 2019) take aim at what they see as a Western misconception of political liberty as “a durable construct, arrived at by a process of “enlightenment”, building a new theory about liberty and how to achieve it. In What Was Liberalism?
(September 2019), James Traub explores the centuries-long evolution of the liberal idea to address how it can rebuild its majoritarian foundations. A new collection (September 2019) edited by Tom Carothers and Andrew O’Donoghue for the Brookings Institution examines, not only democracy’s problems, but also the many ways that citizens and civil society bodies are countering polarizing forces, including reforms to political parties, institutions, and the media. As regards institutional reforms, David Farrell and Jane Suiter’s short book Reimagining Democracy (September 2019), on Ireland’s Citizens’ Assembly, will be of interest to anyone who sees such bodies as a key innovation for cutting across deadlock or hyper-partisan political systems, marrying public, political and expert knowledge, and attenuating the impact of excessive lobbying by sectoral interests. Taking a more philosophical tack, Jakob Huber — in a recent article suggested for addition by a DEM-DEC user — examines hope as an integral feature of democratic politics.

3 Media Manipulation, Complicity and Reform

The role of the media is on my mind as I prepare to speak on the Forum 2000 panel, ‘How Media Can Help Restore Public Trust in Democracy’ on 14 October (organised in collaboration with Project Syndicate). This Update provides much food for thought in contemplating the ways in which the media can be used to distort the public sphere. Government manipulation is key in some accounts, including Pomerantsev’s punchy new book on today’s disinformation deluge, and Attila Bátorfy and Ágnes Urbán analysis of how the Hungarian government has used State advertising to build an uncritical media empire aligned with the government. However, media complicity is also evident. Amber Boydstun and Regina Lawrence discuss how, despite prior research suggesting the media would treat Donald Trump’s presidential campaign with derision, a combination of his fame, wealth, and the high entertainment value, led the media to cover him heavily and assist his success. Ways forward can be found, too: Israel Butler argues in a recent book (suggested for addition by a DEM-DEC user), that one way of countering the siren song of authoritarian populists may be to teach committed democrats to communicate the value of liberal democracy effectively. Others seek more: Pomerantsev raises the potential of public input into the decision-making processes of tech giants who currently have inordinate and unchecked power over our information and in shaping our information environment.

4 Lobbying and Influence: ‘Soft Power’ v ‘Shadow Power’?

The core role of the media in a healthy liberal democracy is clear, as an intermediary between government and public, and in maintaining a public sphere in which those holding public power can be scrutinised and challenged. Other forms of influence by unelected actors are more contested and can be hard to pin down. Corporate and celebrity influence are two areas of focus in this Update. In Kochland, business journalist Christopher Leonard lays bare the influence and “dark money” wielded by Koch Industries – one of the world’s largest privately-owned corporations – to shape policy on everything from climate science to healthcare, distorting the formal democratic processes for policy formation (NB: Leonard does not engage in far-right tropes of negative Jewish influence on politics). While, for some, Koch Industries is simply the flip-side of liberal billionaires’ activities, perhaps we can make a fundamental distinction here between overt influence (‘soft power’) and covert influence (‘shadow power’). That does not mean, of course, that ‘soft power’ is always positive: for instance, the authors of an interesting article on ‘Celebrity, Democracy, and Epistemic Power’ – part of a thought-provoking collection in Perspectives on Politics – decry the “unchecked uses” of social and political power by celebrities, arguing that these threaten the very legitimacy of our democracies.
5 Parliaments Under Fire?

The role of ‘shadow power’ has also been a central theme as parliaments have come under intense pressure in various states in recent week. In the UK, the decision to prorogue Parliament, to prevent it sitting and ‘thwarting’ a no-deal Brexit, has shone a spotlight not only on PM Boris Johnson but also on the perceived excessive influence of his senior adviser Dominic Cummings. In Poland, the decision on 11 September to suspend parliament until after the 13 October elections has concentrated our gaze once again on the dominant role of ‘puppet master’ Jaroslaw Kaczyński, who is neither president nor prime minister, but rather head of the ruling Law and Justice party. In a more overt power clash, as this Update was being finalised on 30 September 2019, President Vizcarra in Peru dissolved Congress, which responded by declaring his presidency suspended, appointing an interim president. A new project (added to the DEM-DEC Resources Database) examining why authoritarian leaders shut down legislatures, called Parliaments Under Fire and led by Ben Noble at University College London, may prove illuminating even in democratic contexts. Less dramatically (but of no less acute importance), Patrick Vickery in the Texas Law Review argues in ‘Trumping Congress’ that the executive should have “exclusive power over dictating and managing the country’s diplomatic agenda”.

6 The Evolution of International Intervention

If a meta-theme of this Update might be the role of unelected actors, many items point to the complex and contested role of external international actors in addressing democratic decay and democratic crisis. In the EU context, a range of analyses point to the rapidly mutating thought, policy and law responses to ongoing rule-of-law (the preferred term) crises, especially in Poland and Hungary. Courts feature heavily. Marek Safjan, a judge of the EU’s Court of Justice (from Poland), argues in the European Judicial Review (Europejski Przegląd Sądowy) that “exceptional measures” are needed to address a systemic crisis. In a new research paper (September 2019) András Jakab, focused on the role of constitutional law in countering erosion of democracy and the rule of law, includes EU law in his analysis, reflecting the deep imbrication of national and supranational responses in the European literature – as do new papers and forthcoming articles by Armin von Bogdandy, Dimitry Kochenov and Maciej Bernatt, and Petra Bård & Anna Śledzińska-Simon. Parliament matters, too, as Duncan McDonnell and Annika Werner discuss in their landmark new book on the radical right in the European Parliament. Beyond the EU, the Council of Europe’s 2018 Report further emphasises the multiplicity of defensive actors working across the European public space.

Beyond Europe itself, and underscoring the long pedigree of this line of thinking, Tom Long and Max Paul Friedman recount the “forgotten failure” of Uruguay’s proposed ‘Larreta Doctrine’ in the 1940s, which focused on the interconnectedness between democracy and human rights, and the need for regional mechanisms to safeguard these values. A fitting companion piece is a new edited collection on The International Rule of Law: Rise or Decline? (August 2019), examining whether we can continue to frame and organise international relations as based on a universal understanding of values.

(For more discussion of EU issues, see the Article 7 section on DEM-DEC).
Additions Suggested by DEM-DEC Users

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Monographs


Katherine BERSCH, When Democracies Deliver: Governance Reform in Latin America (Cambridge University Press, January 2019).

Israel BUTLER, Countering Populist Authoritarians: Where their support comes from and how to reverse their success (Civil Liberties Union for Europe, December 2018).

Andrea BURATTI, Western Constitutionalism - History, Institutions, Comparative Law (Springer, 2018).


Jan ZIELONKA, Counter-revolution: Liberal Europe in Retreat (Oxford University Press, 2018).
Edited Collections


Andrew GAMBLE & Tony WRIGHT (eds), Rethinking Democracy (Wiley, January 2019).


Articles


Benjamin BIARD, ‘How do radical right populist parties influence resurging debates over the stripping of citizenship?’ International Political Science Review OnlineFirst Articles (published online: 22 January 2019).


James L. GIBSON, Christopher CLAASSEN & Joan BARCELÓ, ‘Deplorables: Emotions, Political Sophistication, and Political Intolerance’ American Politics Research OnlineFirst Articles (published online: 14 January 2019).


Eoin O’MALLEY, David M. FARRELL & Jane SUITER, ‘Does talking matter? A quasi-experiment assessing the impact of deliberation and information on opinion change’ International Political Science Review OnlineFirst Articles (published online: 10 April 2019).


Book Reviews


Working Papers


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Policy Reports & Papers

HUNGARIAN HELSINKI COMMITTEE, Attacking the Last Line of Defence: Judicial Independence in Hungary in Jeopardy (15 June 2018. Author: Dániel Szabó)


Panel Discussion to Launch DEM-DEC

‘Is Democracy Decaying Worldwide? And What Can We Do About It?’

Having gone live on 25 June 2018, Democratic Decay & Renewal (DEM-DEC) was formally launched at the University of Melbourne on Monday 22 October with a panel discussion. The panel was specifically designed to be open to the public and to be suitable for broadcast. Panellists were asked to avoid all academic jargon in their contributions and to strive for clarity.

The panel started with a global overview from DEM-DEC Creator Dr Tom Gerald Daly of the deterioration of democracy worldwide, in states such as Hungary, the USA and Brazil. This was followed by discussion of democratic decay in Poland, Venezuela and India with leading experts: Prof. Wojciech Sadurski (University of Sydney), Dr Raul Sanchez Urribarri (Latrobe University), and Dr Tarunabh Khaitan (universities of Oxford and Melbourne). The panel concluded with discussion of the robustness of, and challenges facing, Australian democracy, with Prof. Cheryl Saunders (University of Melbourne), followed by Q&A with the audience. DEM-DEC was formally launched by Prof. Pip Nicholson, Dean of Melbourne Law School, following the panel.

Podcast

On 27 and 28 November 2018 the launch panel discussion was broadcast as an hour-long programme on Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) Radio National’s flagship current affairs programme ‘Big Ideas’. It is now available as a podcast.

Click CTRL and this symbol to access the panel podcast
August-September 2019: New Publications

Note: Some items were published in very late July 2019


**Monograph:** James D. Zirin, Plaintiff in Chief: A Portrait of Donald Trump in 3,500 Lawsuits (Pan Macmillan Australia, 24 September 2019).


**Monograph:** Simon Torney, Populism (Bloomsbury, published 3 September 2019).


**Monograph:** Peter POMERANTSEV, *This Is Not Propaganda: Adventures in the War Against Reality* (Faber & Faber, 30 July 2019).


**Edited Collection:** Paul BLOKKER & Manuel ANSELMI (eds), *Multiple Populisms: Italy as Democracy's Mirror* (Routledge, published 17 September 2019).

**Edited Collection:** Mario PEUCKER & Debra SMITH (eds), *The Far-Right in Contemporary Australia* (Springer Singapore, published 8 September 2019).


**Edited Collection:** Heike KRIEGER, Georg NOLTE & Andreas ZIMMERMANN (eds), *The International Rule of Law: Rise or Decline?* (Oxford University Press, published August 2019).

**Edited Collection:** Giorgos CHARALAMBOUS & Gregoris IOANNOU (eds), *Left Radicalism and Populism in Europe* (Routledge, published 30 Jul 2019).

**Texas Law Review: Volume 97, Symposium Issue (July 2019)**

**Articles**


Note

*Perspectives on Politics: FirstView Articles (July-September 2019)*

**Articles**


**Special Issue Articles**

Alfred ARCHER, Amanda CAWSTON, Benjamin MATHESON & Machteld GEUSKENS, ‘Celebrity, Democracy, and Epistemic Power’ (published online: 29 August 2019).


*Latin American Politics and Society: Volume 61, Issue 4 (November 2019 – Published August)*

**Book Reviews**


Kathryn HOCHSTETLER, ‘Lindsay Mayka, Building Participatory Institutions in Latin America: Reform Coalitions and Institutional Change. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2019. Figures,


**Supreme Court Law Review (Canada): 2nd Series, Volume 92 (September 2019)**


**Canadian Journal of Political Science/ Revue canadienne de science politique: Firstview Articles (August-September 2019)**

**Article**

Haig PATAPAN, ‘On Populists and Demagogues’ (published online: 27 August 2019).

**Book Reviews**


**Revista Derecho del Estado: Vol. No. 44 (September-December 2019)**


**Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAIL) Review: Reflections (August 2019)**


Review Essay


Book Reviews


The Hague Journal on the Rule of Law: Online First Articles (September 2019)


Democratization: Latest Articles (September 2019)

Book Reviews


Book Review


Communist and Post-Communist Studies: Volume 52, Issue 3 (September 2019)


East European Politics: Latest Articles (September 2019)

Erika Harris, ‘Nation before democracy? Placing the rise of the Slovak extreme right into context’ (published online: 24 September 2019).

Attila Bátorfy & Ágnes Urbán, ‘State advertising as an instrument of transformation of the media market in Hungary’ (published online: 7 September 2019).

Ariel Zellman, ‘“Hawking” territorial conflict: ethnopopulism and nationalist framing strategies’ (published online: 16 August 2019).

Representation: Journal of Representative Democracy: Volume 55, Issue 2 (September 2019)

Articles


Alice El-Wakil & Spencer McKay, ‘Disentangling Referendums and Direct Democracy: A Defence of the Systemic Approach to Popular Vote Processes’ (published online: 12 August 2019).

Vanna Lodders & Steven Weldon, ‘Why Do Women Vote Radical Right? Benevolent Sexism, Representation and Inclusion in Four Countries’ (published online: 12 August 2019).

Fabio WOLKENSTEIN, ‘Party Reforms and Electoral Systems: Proportional Representation is More Hospitable to Internal Democratisation’ (published online: 8 August 2019).

Donatella della Porta & Andrea Felicetti, ‘Innovating Democracy Against Democratic Stress in Europe: Social Movements and Democratic Experiments’

Joan FONT, Sara PASADAS & José Luis FERNÁNDEZ-MARTÍNEZ, ‘Participatory Motivations in Advisory Councils: Exploring Different Reasons to Participate’ (published online: 5 August 2019).


Michelangelo VERCESI, ‘Democratic Stress and Political Institutions: Drives of Reforms of Bicameralism in Times of Crisis’ (published online: 8 July 2019).


Leonardo AVRITZER, ‘The double crisis of representation and participation in Brazil’ (published online: 12 April 2019).

Debora Rezende ALMEIDA, ‘The Constructivist Turn in Political Representation and its Challenges to Democratic Legitimacy: Lessons from Participatory Institutions in Brazil’ (published online: 29 November 2018).

Cristina HOLLANDA, ‘Brazilian Truth Commissions as Experiments of Representation: Between Impartiality and Proximity’ (published online: 6 March 2018).


Book Review


Government and Opposition: FirstView Articles (July-September 2019)

Article

Andreas FAGERHOLM, ‘How Do They Get In? Radical Parties and Government Participation in European Democracies’ (published online: 11 September 2019)
Book Review
Mattia Zulianello, ‘Varieties of Populist Parties and Party Systems in Europe: From State-of-the-Art to the Application of a Novel Classification Scheme to 66 Parties in 33 Countries’ (published online: 24 July 2019)

Global Constitutionalism: FirstView Articles (August 2019)
Tarunabh KHAI TAN, ‘Political insurance for the (relative) poor: How liberal constitutionalism could resist plutocracy’ (published online: 27 August 2019).

Annual Review of Law and Social Science: Vol. 15 (October 2019, Online publication May-July 2019)
Bojan BUGARIČ, ‘Could Populism Be Good for Constitutional Democracy?’. (First posted online: 26 July 2019. Subject to revision).

American Journal of Political Science: Early View Articles (July 2019)
Christopher CLAASSEN, ‘Does Public Support Help Democracy Survive?’ (published online: 31 July 2019).

American Political Science Review: FirstView Articles (September 2019)
Christopher CLAASSEN, ‘In the Mood for Democracy? Democratic Support as Thermostatic Opinion’ (published online: 20 September 2019).

Studies in Comparative International Development: First Online Articles (July 2019)
John GERRING & Carl Henrik KNUTSEN, ‘Polity Size and the Institutionalization of Leadership Succession’ (First online: 31 July 2019).

Political Research Quarterly: Volume 72 Issue 3 (September 2019)
Miguel M. PEREIRA & Nicholas W. WATERBURY, ‘Do Voters Discount Political Scandals over Time?’.

Philosophy & Social Criticism: OnlineFirst Articles (June-August 2019)
Camila VERGARA, ‘Corruption as systemic political decay’ (published online: 12 August 2019).
Liam FARRELL, ‘The politics of non-domination: Populism, contestation and neo-republican democracy’ (published online: 1 August 2019).

Benjamin A SCHUPMANN, ‘Constraining political extremism and legal revolution’ (published online: 20 June 2019).

International Political Science Review: OnlineFirst Articles (August 2019)

Chanchal Kumar SHARMA & Wilfried SWENDEN, ‘Economic governance: Does it make or break a dominant party equilibrium? The case of India’ (published online: 5 August 2019).


DEM-DEC Recommended Read

“Powerful, timely, important. A much needed analysis.”
— Elif Shafak, award-winning novelist

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—Ryan Heath, POLITICO

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—Karen Nussbaum, Working America

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2019 Brown Democracy Medal winners David M. Farrell and Jane Suiter are co-leads on the Irish Citizens’ Assembly Project, which has transformed Irish politics over the past decade. The project started in 2011 and led to a series of significant policy decisions, including successful referenda on abortion and marriage equality.

The Lawrence and Lynne Brown Democracy Medal, presented by the McCourtney Institute for Democracy at Penn State, recognizes outstanding individuals, groups, and organizations that produce innovations to further democracy in the United States or around the world.

Jane Suiter is Director of the Institute for Future Media and Journalism and an Associate Professor in the School of Communications at Dublin City University.

David M. Farrell is Head of Politics and International Relations at University College Dublin.

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Forthcoming Research

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Note 2: New additions to this section are clearly marked

Books

Bruce ACKERMAN, The Rise of World Constitutionalism, Volumes Two and Three * Note: the first volume in this three-volume series was published on 13 May 2019

Yeşim ARAT & Sevket PAMUK, Turkey Between Democracy and Authoritarianism (Cambridge University Press, due for publication in October 2019).

Julian BERNAUER & Adrian VATTER, Power Diffusion and Democracy (Cambridge University Press, due for publication in August 2019).


NEW Mark CHOU, Benjamin MOFFITT & Octavia BRYANT, Political Meritocracy and Populism: Cure or Curse? (Routledge, due for publication 22 November 2019).

Catherine DE VRIES & Sarah HOBOLT, The Rise of Challenger Parties * Note: manuscript under preparation; no publication date - announced on Twitter 12 May 2019.

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New Additions to DEM-DEC Resources Database

Note: Think something could be added to the DEM-DEC Resources Database? E-mail the information to democraticdecay@gmail.com

The Links section on DEM-DEC has been renamed the Resources Database. New resources added since the last Research Update include the following:

**Ben Stanley – Personal Website on Poland and Populism**

**Ben Stanley – Poland, Psephology and Populism**

Ben Stanley is an assistant professor at SWPS University in Warsaw, and researches political parties, voting behaviour and populism in Central and Eastern Europe. This site introduces his academic work and hosts his two blogs: (i) of notes and observations about Polish politics, and (ii) about Polish party polling. A great source for commentary on Polish politics.

**Mood of the Nation Poll**

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The McCourtney Institute for Democracy’s Mood of the Nation poll offers a unique approach to public opinion polling. It allows Americans to speak in their own words through open-ended questions that focus on emotions like anger and hope, as well as commitment to constitutional principles.

**Democracy2025**

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Democracy 2025 is an initiative of the Museum of Australian Democracy (MoAD) and the Institute for Governance and Policy Analysis at the University of Canberra (UC-IGPA) aimed at is strengthening democratic practice in Australia through research, dialogue and innovation. It is a centre for excellence based at the spiritual home of Australian democracy (Old Parliament House, Canberra).
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