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**The Challenge of Carl Schmitt** Chantal Mouffe 1999 Schmitt's thought serves as a warning against the dangers of complacency entailed by triumphant liberalism. In this collection of essays Schmitt reminds us that the essence of politics is struggle.

*Agonistik* Chantal Mouffe 2014-05-19 Die SPD wirbt mit »Das Wir entscheidet«, die CDU mit »Gemeinsam erfolgreich« – die Wahlplakate unterstreichen, wie politischer Wettbewerb heute meist aussieht: konsensorientiert und ohne klare Alternativen. Der Ansatz Chantal Mouffes zielt in die entgegengesetzte Richtung: Der agonistische Wettstreit der Ideen ist ein fundamentaler Bestandteil des Politischen. Daher plädiert Mouffe für einen radikalen Pluralismus: Wir müssen sicherstellen, dass unterschiedliche Modelle präsentiert und diskutiert werden können – und zwar auf der nationalen, der europäischen und der globalen Ebene. Was das konkret bedeutet und welche Lehren die Linke daraus ziehen muss, erläutert die Politikwissenschaftlerin im Nachfolgeband zu ihrem vielbeachteten Buch "Über das Politische".

**Recht macht Religion** Conrad Krannich 2020-09-07 In Iran entsteht seit Jahren ein protestantisches Untergrundchristentum, das die islamisch-politische Konfiguration des Staates infrage stellt. Iranische Christ-inn-en werden deshalb verfolgt und suchen u. a. in Deutschland nach Schutz. In der asylrechtlichen Prüfung ihres Ersuchens werden sie als (ehemalige) Muslim-inn-e-n betrachtet; sie müssen die »Ernsthaftigkeit« ihrer Konversion erst beweisen. Religion und Konversion sind dabei nicht einfach Prüfgegenstand. Der rechtliche Religionsbegriff stellt vielmehr erst die Weichen dafür, Christliches in asylrelevantes Wissen zu übersetzen. Wie die Christwerdung verhandelt wird, evoziert Widerstand. Im Kompetenzstreit zwischen Staat und Kirchen wird die Taufe zur Flüchtlingstaufe. Anhand von Fallbeispielen arbeitet Conrad Krannich die Grundlinien und Aporien des Konfliktes heraus. An underground Christianity is emerging in Iran, which articulates itself as Iranian Protestantism. Its members question the Islamic-political configuration of Iran. They are persecuted for reasons of national security and seek refuge in Germany, among other places. The asylum procedure considers them as (former) Muslims and asks, how "serious" their conversion is to be taken. "Religion" and "conversion" are not simply the object of the examination. Rather, the legal concept of religion helps transforming the Christian into legally processable knowledge. How baptism and becoming a Christian are being dealt with evokes resistance. For years, state and churches have been carrying out the conflict over "the baptism of refugees" as a conflict of competence that cannot be solved.

*New Reflections on the Revolution of Our Time* Ernesto Laclau 1990-12-17 New Reflections on the Revolution of Our Time continues the innovative exploration of major issues concerning democracy and socialism which was staked out in Hegemony and Socialist Strategy. Examining the meanings of social struggle in the context of late capitalism, Laclau situates the re-making of political identities within a framework of democratic revolution. The critical method is one which describes major structural changes in the contemporary world-system at the same time as it theorizes a coherent and radical interpretative form. This marriage of politics and theory allows the book to embrace topics ranging from the relationship between Marxism and psychoanalysis to the historical significance of May 1968 and forms of political struggle in the third world. In a final section of illuminating interviews the author expounds his most recent thought on poliiics and philosophy.

**Agonistics** Chantal Mouffe 2013-12-17 Political conflict in our society is inevitable, and its results are often far from negative. How then should we deal with the intractable differences arising from complex modern culture? Developing her groundbreaking political philosophy of agonistics – the search for a radical and plural democracy – Chantal Mouffe examines international relations, strategies for radical politics, the future of Europe and the politics of artistic practices. She shows that in many circumstances where no alternatives seem possible, agonistics offers a new road map for change. Engaging with cosmopolitanism, post-operaism, and theories of multiple modernities she argues in favour of a multipolar world with real cultural and political pluralism.

**Emanzipation und Differenz** Ernesto Laclau 2013-01

**Das Erfurter Programm in seinem grundsätzlichen Theil** Karl Kautsky 1892

*The Rhetorical Foundations Of Society* Ernesto Laclau 2014-07-22 The essays collected in this volume develop the theoretical perspective initiated in Laclau and Mouffe's classic Hegemony and Socialist Strategy, taking it in three principal directions. First, this book explores the specificity of social antagonisms and answers the question "What is an antagonistic relation?"—an issue which has become increasingly crucial in our globalized world, where the proliferation of conflicts and points of rupture is eroding their links to the social subjects postulated by classical social analysis. This leads Laclau to a second line of questioning: "What is the ontological terrain that allows us to understand the nature of social relations in our heterogeneous world?" This is a task he addresses with theoretical instruments drawn from analytical philosophy and from the phenomenological and structuralist traditions. Finally, central to the argument of the book is the basic role attributed to rhetorical tropes—metaphor, metonymy, catachresis—in shaping the "non-foundational" grounds of society.

**The Democratic Paradox** Chantal Mouffe 2009-06-09 From the theory of ‘deliberative democracy’ to the politics of the ‘third way’, the present Zeitgeist is characterized by attempts to deny what Chantal Mouffe contends is the inherently conflictual nature of democratic politics. Far from being signs of progress, such ideas constitute a serious threat to democratic insitutions. Taking issue with John Rawls and Jürgen Habermas on one side, and the political tenets of Blair, Clinton and Schröder on the other, Mouffe brings to the fore the paradoxical nature of modern liberal democracy in which the category of the ‘adversary’ plays a central role. She draws on the work of Wittgenstein, Derrida, and the provocative theses of Carl Schmitt, to propose a new understanding of democracy which acknowledges the ineradicability of antagonism in its workings.

**Laclau** Simon Critchley 2012-12-06 Laclau: A Critical Reader is the first full-length critical appraisal of Laclau's work and includes contributions from several leading philosophers and theorists. The first section examines Laclau's theory that the contest between universalism and particularism provides much of the philosophical background to political and social struggle, taking up the important place accorded to, amongst others, Hegel and Lacan in Laclau's work. The second section of the book considers what Laclau's 'radical democracy' might look like and reflects on its ethical implications, particularly in relation to Laclau's post-Marxism and thinkers such as Jürgen Habermas. The final section investigates the place of hegemony in Laclau's work, the idea for which he is perhaps best-known. This stimulating collection also includes replies to his critics by Laclau and the important exchange between Laclau and Judith Butler on equality, making it an excellent companion to Laclau's work and essential reading for students of political and social theory.

*Das demokratische Paradox* Chantal Mouffe 2008

**Kultur. Theorien der Gegenwart** Stephan Moebius 2010-11-01 Die Herausgeber Stephan Moebius und Dirk Quadflieg bieten in Zusammenarbeit mit den Autorinnen und Autoren einen systematischen und – in seiner angelegten Breite – erstmaligen Überblick über aktuelle kultursoziologische und -wissenschaftliche Theorien. Die gegenwärtig wichtigsten Kulturtheorien werden nach dem Kriterium ihrer interdisziplinären Relevanz für die zeitgenössischen Diskurse in der Soziologie, den Kulturwissenschaften, der politischen Philosophie sowie den Sprach- und Literaturwissenschaften einheitlich und verständlich vorgestellt. Der Band richtet sich in erster Linie an Studierende und Lehrende der angegebenen Fachrichtungen und dient als ein hilfreiches Nachschlagewerk im immer unübersichtlicher werdenden Diskurs zwischen den Disziplinen.

*Hegemony and Socialist Strategy* Ernesto Laclau 1989

**Reflections on Post-Marxism** Sim, Stuart 2022-05-19 The world has changed dramatically since the emergence of post-Marxism, and a reassessment is needed to determine its significance in the modern world. First published as a special issue of Global Discourse, this book explores the theoretical position of post-Marxism and investigates its significance in recent global political developments such as Brexit, Trump and the rise of the far right. With valuable insights from international contributors across a range of disciplines, the book puts forward a strong case for the continuing relevance of post-Marxism and, particularly, for Ernesto Laclau and Chantal Mouffe’s theory of radical democracy.

**Sozialismus - warum nicht?** Gerald A. Cohen 2010

**Hegemony And Socialist Strategy** Ernesto Laclau 2014-01-07 In this hugely influential book, Laclau and Mouffe examine the workings of hegemony and contemporary social struggles, and their significance for democratic theory.

With the emergence of new social and political identities, and the frequent attacks on Left theory for its essentialist underpinnings, Hegemony and Socialist Strategy remains as relevant as ever, positing a much-needed antidote against ‘Third Way’ attempts to overcome the antagonism between Left and Right.

**Für einen linken Populismus.** Chantal Mouffe 2018-09-10 Kann es das geben, einen guten, linken Populismus? Chantal Mouffe vertritt die Auffassung, dass dies möglich und sogar notwendig ist – eine Position, die ihr auch Kritik eingetragen hat. Führt das nicht zu einer gefährlichen Emotionalisierung? Läuft das nicht ebenfalls auf eine Unterscheidung zwischen gutem Volk und bösem Establishment hinaus? Politik, so Mouffe, funktioniere nun einmal über konfrontative *Wir*/sie-Konstruktionen; und ja, es gebe eine Art »Oligarchie«, die eine Verwirklichung demokratischer und ökologischer Ziele verhindere. Dies mache klare politische Alternativen und neue progressive Allianzen erforderlich. Eine so präzise wie provokante Intervention, die angesichts der Krise sozialliberaler Parteien und der Debatte um »Identitätspolitik« für Gesprächsstoff sorgen wird.

*New Reflections on the Revolution of Our Time* Ernesto Laclau 1990 No Marketing Blurb

**Hegemony and Socialist Strategy** Ernesto Laclau 2001-05-17 Since its original publication fifteen years ago, this hugely influential book has been at the centre of much debate. The arguments and controversies it has aroused are, furthermore, far from abating: the disintegration of the Soviet bloc, the emergence of new social and political identities linked to the transformation of late capitalism, and the crisis of a left-wing project whose essentialist underpinnings have increasingly come under fire have, if anything, made more relevant than ever the theoretical perspective that the book proposes. Moreover the political project of ‘radical and plural democracy’ that it advocates provides a much-needed antidote to the attempts to formulate a Third Way capable of overcoming the classical opposition between Left and Right. Updated with a new preface, this is a fundamental text for understanding the workings of hegemony and grasping the nature of contemporary social struggles and their significance for democratic theory.

*Contingency, Hegemony, Universality* Judith Butler 2000 At the heart of this experiment in intellectual synthesis is an effort to clarify differences of method and understanding within a common political trajectory. Through a series of exchanges on the value of the Hegelian and Lacanian legacies, the dilemmas of multiculturalism, and the political challenges of a global economy, Butler, Laclau, and ÅiPek lend fresh significance to the key philosophical categories of the last century while setting a new standard for debate on the Left. --Book Jacket.

**Laclau** Simon Critchley 2004 Over the last thirty years, the work of the political theorist Ernesto Laclau has reinvigorated radical political and social theory. Taking concepts previously ignored or unused within mainstream political theory, such as the political, hegemony, discourse, identity, and representation, he has made them fundamental to thinking about politics and social theory. Resisting the dead end of postmodern politics, his work has drawn in stimulating ways on Gramscian, poststructuralist and psychoanalytic theory. Laclau: A Critical Reader is the first full-length critical appraisal of Laclau's work and includes contributions from several leading philosophers and theorists. The first section examines Laclau's theory that the contest between universalism and particularism provides much of the philosophical background to political and social struggle, taking up the important place accorded to, amongst others, Hegel and Lacan in Laclau's work. The second section of the book considers what Laclau's 'radical democracy' might look like and reflects on its ethical implications, particularly in relation to Laclau's post-Marxism and thinkers such as Jurgen Habermas. The final section investigates the place of hegemony in Laclau's work, the idea for which he is perhaps best-known. This stimulating collection also includes replies to his critics by Laclau and the important exchange between Laclau and Judith Butler on equality, making it an excellent companion to Laclau's work and essential reading for students of political and social theory. Ernesto Laclau, Rodolphe Gasche, Fred Dallmayr, Oliver Marchart, Rado Riha, Linda Zerilli, Simon Critchley, Mark Devenney, Aletta Norval, William E. Connolly, Jelica Sumic, Jason Glynos, J. Hillis Mil

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*Politics and Ideology in Marxist Theory* Ernesto Laclau 2012-01-16 Ernesto Laclau is best known for co-authoring Hegemony and Socialist Strategy, with Chantal Mouffe. Politically active in the social and student movements of the 1960s, and a member of PSIN (Socialist Party of the National Left), Laclau’s oeuvre links the working class and new social movements. Rejecting Marxist economic determinism and the notion of class struggle, Laclau instead urged for a radical democracy where antagonisms could be expressed. Frequently described as post-Marxist, Laclau’s writings have focused on political movements. Politics and Ideology in Marxist Theory was Laclau’s first published work, where readers can trace the early formation of ideas that shaped the twentieth century.

**Kontingenz - Hegemonie - Universalität** Judith Butler 2013

*Handbuch Diskurs und Raum* Georg Glasze 2021-03-31 Das Handbuch bietet einen ausführlichen Überblick über diskursanalytische Ansätze in der sozial- und kulturwissenschaftlichen Raumforschung und ist damit unverzichtbarer Teil der Lehre in den Bachelor- und Master-Studiengängen der Geographie sowie der benachbarten sozial- und kulturwissenschaftlichen Raumforschung. Es lässt sich ebenso als umfassendes Nachschlagewerk wie als Einführung in Diskurstheorien, in die Raumbegriffe der Diskursforschung, in Modi der diskursiven Konstitution von Gesellschaft-Raum-Verhältnissen sowie in methodisch-empirische Zugriffe der Diskursforschung verwenden. Die grundlegend aktualisierte dritte Neuauflage bietet nun auch eine ausführliche Diskussion des konzeptionellen Verhältnisses von Diskursen, Praktiken, Technik und Materialität und behandelt der Diskursforschung nahestehende Ansätze wie die Analyse sozio-technischer Assemblagen und visueller Konfigurationen.

**Stasis** Giorgio Agamben 2016-11-24 In diesem vorletzten Band der »Homo-Sacer«-Reihe untersucht der weltweit bekannte und renommierte Philosoph Giorgio Agamben den Bürgerkrieg als politisches Paradigma. Zwei zentrale Momente der Geistesgeschichte stehen dabei im Mittelpunkt: Im ersten Teil widmet er sich dem griechischen Begriff der "stasis", der die Spaltung der polis in rivalisierende, gewalttätige Gruppen bezeichnet, während er im zweiten Teil eine furiose Interpretation von Hobbes' »Leviathan« und dessen berühmtem Frontispiz vorlegt, und zwar aus theologischer Perspektive. Eine spannende und wichtige Diskussion eines Begriffs, der sich für das politische, philosophische und juridische Denken als zentral erweist.

**Politische Räume** Georg Glasze 2014-03-31 Wie kann die Existenz einer »internationalen Gemeinschaft« und eines »geokulturellen Raumes« konzeptualisiert und analysiert werden? Das Buch geht dieser klassischen Fragestellung der Geographie am Beispiel der Frankophonie nach. Der Hegemonietheorie von Laclau und Mouffe folgend werden Räume - wie Identitäten - als historisch und kontingent und in diesem Sinne politisch konzipiert. Der Kulturgeograph Georg Glasze untersucht sowohl sprachliche als auch nicht-sprachliche Artikulationen und leistet mit der Verknüpfung von korpuslinguistisch-lexikometrischen und kodierenden Verfahren einen innovativen Beitrag zur Diskursforschung.

**Ordnungen des Politischen** Oliver Marchart 2017-04-05 Dieser Band behandelt das Werk und die Wirkung der Arbeiten Ernesto Laclaus. Sein streckenweise in Zusammenarbeit mit Chantal Mouffe entwickelter diskursanalytischer Ansatz der Hegemonietheorie, der weit in die Sozial- und Kulturwissenschaften hinein ausstrahlt, gibt der Politischen Theorie Instrumente zur Untersuchung sozialer Identitätsbildung und politischer Machtformation an die Hand. Das Ziel dieses Bandes besteht darin, einen Einblick in die breite Rezeption und die disziplinären Anschlussmöglichkeiten der Laclau'schen Hegemonietheorie zu ermöglichen.

*Zwischen den Kulturen* Alexander Garcia Düttmann 1997-01-01

*The Politics & Poetics of Gulliver's Travel Writing* Philip Cox 2019 Working at the intersection of narrative studies and political theory, this thesis performs an original critical intervention in Gulliver’s Travels studies to establish the work as an intertextual response to the hegemonic articulations of European travel writing produced between the 15th and 18th centuries under the discourse of Discovery. My argument proceeds through two movements. First, an archeology of studies on Gulliver’s Travels that identifies key developments and points of significance in analyses of the satire’s intertextual relationship with travel writing. Second, a discursive analysis of the role of Discovery generally, and travel writing specifically, in constructing European hegemony within a newly global context. Together these movements allow me to locate Gulliver’s Travels firmly within the discourse of Discovery and to specify the politics of the text and the poetics of its operations. For this analysis I adopt a conceptualization of hegemony elaborated by Ernesto Laclau and Chantal Mouffe in Hegemony and Socialist Strategy (1985), which defines discourse as a structured totality of elements of signification, wherein the meaning and identify of each element is constituted by articulatory practices competing to fix the differences and equivalences between it and others within the discourse. An hegemonic discourse is one that successfully limits the possibility of novel articulations according to a particular governing logic. In the Age of Discovery, this governing logic, I argue, is a socio-spatial logic that constructed the "European" subject through its difference from the "Non-European," the "civilized" subject through its difference from the "savage," and the "free land" of the "savage" peoples through its difference from the occupied lands of the "civilized." To conduct the concomitant critical analysis of Gulliver’s Travels, I draw upon Jacques Rancière’s conception of the "distribution of the sensible," which refers both to the partitions determined in sensory experience that anticipate the distributions of parts and wholes, the orders of visibility and invisibility, and the relationships of address or comportment beneath every community; and to the specific practices that partake of these distributions to establish the "common sense" about the objects that make up the common world, the ways in which it is organized, and the capacities of the people within it. This enables me to establish travel writing as an articulatory practice that utilized a narrative modality to "reveal" the globe in a Eurocentric image dependent upon the logic of Discovery: a discursively constructed paradigm that I identify as what others have labeled "travel realism," which organized the globe into a single field of discursivity predicated upon the "civilizational" and "rational" superiority of Europeans over their non-European Others. Gulliver’s Travels, I conclude, intervenes in this distribution of the sensible by utilizing the satirical form as a recomposing logic to upend the paradigm of travel realism and break away from the "sense" that it makes of the bodies, beings, and lands it re-presents.

For a **Left Populism** Chantal Mouffe 2018-06-28 We are currently witnessing in Western Europe a “populist moment” that signals the crisis of neoliberal hegemony. The central axis of the political conflict will be between right- and left-wing populism. By establishing a frontier between “the people” and “the oligarchy,” a leftpopulist strategy could bring together the manifold struggles against subordination, oppression and discrimination.This strategy acknowledges that democratic discourse plays a crucial role in the political imaginary of our societies. And through the construction of a collective will, mobilizing common affects in defence of equality and social justice, it will be possible to combat the xenophobic policies promoted by right-wing populism.

*On Populist Reason* Ernesto Laclau 2018-09-25 A philosophical and political exploration of the construction of popular identities In this highly original and influential work, Ernesto Laclau focuses on the construction of popular identities and how “the people” emerge as a collective actor. Skillfully combining theoretical analysis with a myriad of empirical references from numerous historical and geographical contexts, he offers a critical reading of the existing literature on populism, demonstrating its dependency on the theorists of “mass psychology,” such as Taine and Freud. On Populist Reason is essential reading for all those interested in the question of political identities in

the present day.

**The Making of Political Identities** Ernesto Laclau 1994-05-17 This lively book examines the major issues raised by the emergence and transformation of various political identities in the contemporary world. The contributors bring together many current trends of thought—Lacanian psychoanalysis, deconstruction, neo-Hegelianism and political philosophy—that are relevant to the question of identity, as well as concrete studies of some of the more important political identities which have emerged in recent decades. A central theme of the book is the logic implicit in the Freudian category of identification and its consequences for understanding politics. The first half of the book explores the theoretical dimensions of the issue of identity formation. The second half brings these more abstract considerations to bear on a number of case studies—the structure of apartheid in South Africa, the rise of Islam, the Palestinian diaspora, the explosion of national identities in former Yugoslavia, the Greens in Germany, and the spread of Rastafarianism in Britain.

*Diskurs - radikale Demokratie - Hegemonie* Martin Nonhoff 2015-07-31 Wenige politische Denker haben den internationalen politik- und sozialwissenschaftlichen Theoriediskurs der vergangenen Jahre so beeinflusst wie Chantal Mouffe und Ernesto Laclau - über Paradimgengrenzen hinweg. Beide verknüpfen neo-gramscianische, (post-)strukturalistische und psychoanalytische Theorieelemente und ermöglichen damit einerseits eine Erklärung von Ereignissen des politisch-diskursiven Geschehens, insbesondere der Ausbildung von Hegemonien, und andererseits eine normative Theorie der agonalen Demokratie. Die Beiträge dieses Bandes geben einen Überblick über wesentliche Denkfiguren von Laclau und Mouffe, setzen sich mit diesen kritisch auseinander und zeigen methodische und empirische Anschlussmöglichkeiten auf. Dieser Band enthält u.a. Originaltexte von Ernesto Laclau und Chantal Mouffe.

**Dimensions of Radical Democracy** Chantal Mouffe 1992-05-17 The themes of citizenship and community are today at the center of a fierce debate as both left and right try to mobilize them for their cause. For the left such notions are crucial in all the current attempts to redefine political struggle through extending and deepening democracy. But, argue the contributors to this volume, these concepts need to be made compatible with the pluralism that marks modern democracy. Rather than reject the liberal tradition, they argue, the aim should be to radicalize it. These essays set out to examine what types of “citizen” and “community” might be required by such a radical and plural democracy. From a range of disciplines and a fruitful diversity of theoretical perspectives, the contributors help us to address the following challenge: how to defend the greatest possible pluralism without destroying the very framework of the democratic political community. Despite their differences, a vision emerges from these essays which is sharply at odds both with the universalistic and rationalistic conception to be found in the work of Habermas, and with postmodern celebrations of absolute heterogeneity. For this book is an exploration of politics—of a politics where power, conflict and antagonism will always play a central role.

*The Return of the Political* Chantal Mouffe 2020-04-07 In this work, Mouffe argues that liberal democracy misunderstands the problems of ethnic, religious and nationalist conflicts because of its inadequate conception of politics. He suggests that the democratic revolution may be jeopardized by a lack of understanding of citizenship, community and pluralism. Mouffe examines the work of Schmidt and Rawls and explores feminist theory, in an attempt to place the project of radical and plural democracy on a more adequate foundation than is provided by liberal theory.

*Towards A Green Democratic Revolution* Chantal Mouffe 2022-11-01 How to rebuilt left populism around the demands for the Green Democratic Revolution In recent years, the promises of the populist moment have faltered, as seen in the defeats of Jeremy Corbyn, Bernie Sanders, Jean-Luc Melenchon. In addition, the pandemic has brought about a strong need for protection, creating a favorable terrain for authoritarian forms of politics. This new situation represents a challenge for the left, whose rationalism and modernist idea of progress is rightly suspicious of such demands. How, therefore, can the left deal with the economic, social and ecological crisis that the

pandemic has brought to the fore? Chantal Mouffe argues that the left should not underestimate the importance of affects when developing a strategy for political change. In fact, after years of ‘post-politics’, we are witnessing a ‘return of the political’. And in response Mouffe proposes the creation of a broad coalition of movements under the banner of a ‘Green Democratic Revolution’. This entails the protection of society and its material conditions in a way that empowers people instead of making them retreat in a defensive nationalism or in a passive acceptance of technological solutions. It is protection for the many, not the few, providing social justice and fostering solidarity. Towards A Green Democratic Revolution is a bold rallying cry for political organisation in the post-pandemic era.

**Die populistische Vernunft** Ernesto Laclau 2020-03

*Emancipation(s)* Ernesto Laclau 2007 Emancipation(s) addresses the question of how the changes of the last decade, together with the transformation in contemporary thought, have altered the classical notion of ‘emancipation’ as formulated since the Enlightenment.

**On the Political** Chantal Mouffe 2005 Going back first to Aristotle, she identifies the historical origins of the political and reflects on the Enlightenment, and the social contract, arguing that in spite of its good intentions, it levelled the radical core of political life. Contemporary examples, including the Iraq war, racism and the rise of the far right, are used to illustrate and support her theory that far from combating extremism, the quest for consensus politics undermines the ability to challenge it. These case studies are also highly effective points of reference for student revision. On the Political is a stimulating argument about the future of politics and addresses the most fundamental aspects of democracy that will aid further study. Chantal Mouffe is Quintin Hogg Research Fellow in Politics at the University of Westminster, London. She is the author of several books, including The Democratic Paradox and with Ernesto Laclau, Hegemony and Socialist Strategy.

*Ernesto Laclau* David Howarth 2014-09-19 Ernesto Laclau has blazed a unique trail in political theory and philosophy since the early 1970s. In so doing, he has articulated a range of philosophical and theoretical currents into a coherent alternative to mainstream models and practices of conducting social and political science. The editors have focused on work in three key areas: Post-Marxist Political Theory: Discourse, Hegemony, Signification Laclau has developed an original conception of post-Marxist political theory that is grounded on a materialist theory of discourse. The latter is constructed from a range of theoretical and philosophical sources, including poststructuralism, psychoanalysis, linguistic theory and post-analytical philosophy. The centerpiece of this approach is the category of hegemony, which develops Antonio Gramsci’s seminal contribution to Marxist theory, and is in turn connected to a web of related concepts, including articulation, dislocation, the logics of equivalence and difference, political identification, myth and social imaginary. These ideas have informed a number of empirical and theoretical studies associated with the Essex School of Discourse Theory. Analyzing Populism A central concern of Laclau’s writings has been the question of populism, both in Latin America where he began his interrogation of the phenomenon (especially the experience of Peronism), and then in his engagement with the “new social movements” and socialist strategy more generally. The concept of populism becomes a general way of exploring the “primacy of politics” in society. Critical Engagements Laclau is first and foremost an engaged intellectual who has consistently sought to theorize contemporary events and reality, and to debate with the leading intellectual figures of the day, with respect to questions of political principle and strategy. His recent debates with Judith Butler and Slavoj Žižek in Contingency, Hegemony, Universality: Contemporary Dialogues on the Left, published in 2011 (London: Verso), exemplify this critical ethos. He continues to elaborate his approach by challenging and articulating related approaches, and by situating his work in connection to the democratic Left.