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演題

Clarifying the threat of populism: Place and party organizational strength

Abstract: In this paper, I investigate the role of mainstream parties in shaping populist electoral success. I attempt to bridge the gap between micro-level theories of politician strategy and voter demands and macro-level theories of crisis and globalization through an understanding of the local party organization. I test my hypotheses by examining within-country variation in Japan across more than 1,000 municipalities and six lower house elections from 2000 to 2014, two of which occurred during the prime ministerial tenure of a maverick in the dominant party, the Liberal Democratic Party, who initiated an electoral referendum in 2005 using populist rhetoric to overturn a legislative decision. In addition, I ground the findings using case studies and elite interviews with politicians who struggled with divisions in the local party organization during the 2005 election. The findings show clear variation in voting patterns that are shaped by local organizational strength and contrary to a priori expectations of geographical interests. This paper contributes to literature on place-related determinants of populist support and questions existing views of the populist threat as uniquely tied to a particular ideology or the challenges of globalization. **Keywords:** Populism, political parties, party organizational strength, Japan.

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