Parties, politicians, and policies

Kroh, M.

Citation for published version (APA):
Contents

List of Tables 5
List of Figures 7
List of Abbreviations 8

Preface 9

1. Theoretical Outline 15
   1.1 Objects of Voters’ Reasoning 16
   1.2 Variation in Voters’ Reasoning 20

2. Design and Analysis 27
   2.1 Data: The Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES) 28
   2.2 Conceptualising the Calculus of Voting 29
   2.3 The Comparative Analysis 39
   2.4 Choice of Statistical Model 49
   2.5 Incomplete Data 55

3. Differences in the Calculus of Voting 65
   3.1 The Base Model 67
   3.2 Explained Variance 73
   3.3 Country-Specific Results 80
   3.4 Differences in the Calculus of Voting: Summary of Findings 94
4. Individual Determinants of the Calculus of Voting
   4.1 Social Background: Demographics
   4.2 Political Awareness: Knowledge and Education
   4.3 Individuals and the Calculus of Voting:
       Summary of Findings

5. Contextual Determinants of the Calculus of Voting
   5.1 Distribution of Power: Institutional Settings
   5.2 Competition for Government: The Party System
   5.3 Communication of Elections: The Availability of Mass Media
   5.4 Conflicts Within Polities: The Economic Context
   5.5 Contexts and the Calculus of Voting:
       Summary of Findings

6. Individual and Contextual Determinants of the Calculus of Voting
   6.1 The Full Model
   6.2 Linear Prediction of the Effects of Parties, Politicians, and Policies
   6.3 The Full Model and its Predictions:
       Summary of Findings

7. Conclusions
   7.1 What Has Been Done:
       Summary of the Study and Its Findings
   7.2 Some Unexpected Findings and Their Theoretical Implications
   7.3 Practical Implications of Research on the Calculus of Voting
   7.4 What Has Not Been Done: Classes of Omitted Variables
Appendix 4  Contextual Characteristics  289
  A4.1 Institutional Settings  289
  A4.2 Party System  293
  A4.3 Availability of Mass Media  297
  A4.4 Economic Context  300
  A4.5 Correlations between Contextual Characteristics  302
  A4.6 Country-Specific Predictions of the Vote Function  305

Sammenvatting in het Nederlands (Summary in Dutch)  309