

A NEW ERA OF RADICAL POLITICS IN EUROPE - A CHALLENGE OR AN OPPORTUNITY?

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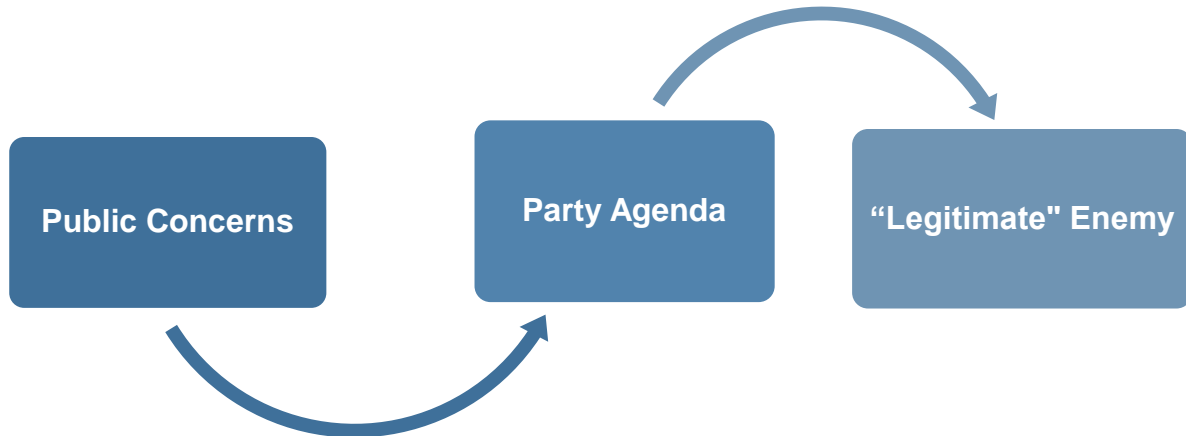
OBJECTIVES

1. What accounts for the success of new radical parties (NRPs)?
2. How to assess NRPs' influence on the sphere of politics?



“LEGITIMATE” ENEMY STRATEGY

“Legitimate” Enemy (LE) – NRPs utilize antagonistic articulation of public concerns, i.e. enemies, in their political agendas and translate them into threats that are believed to endanger the collective identity of “the people”, thus legitimizing their existence.



GERMANY

The Alternative for Germany
(AfD)

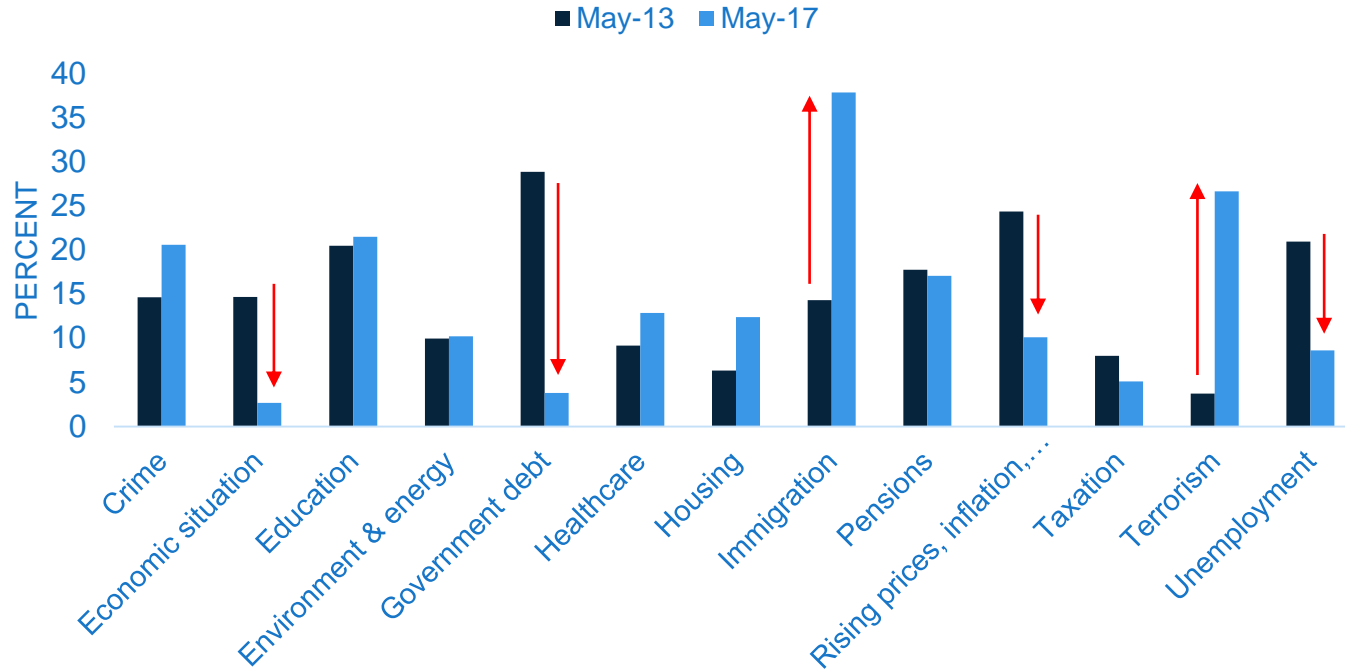


2013 & 2017 ELECTIONS IN GERMANY

| | CDU/CSU | SPD | LINKE | GRÜNE | FDP | AfD |
|------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2017 | 33% | 20.5% | 9.2% | 8.9% | 10.7% | 12.6% |
| 2013 | 41.5% | 25.7% | 8.6% | 8.4% | 4.8% | - |

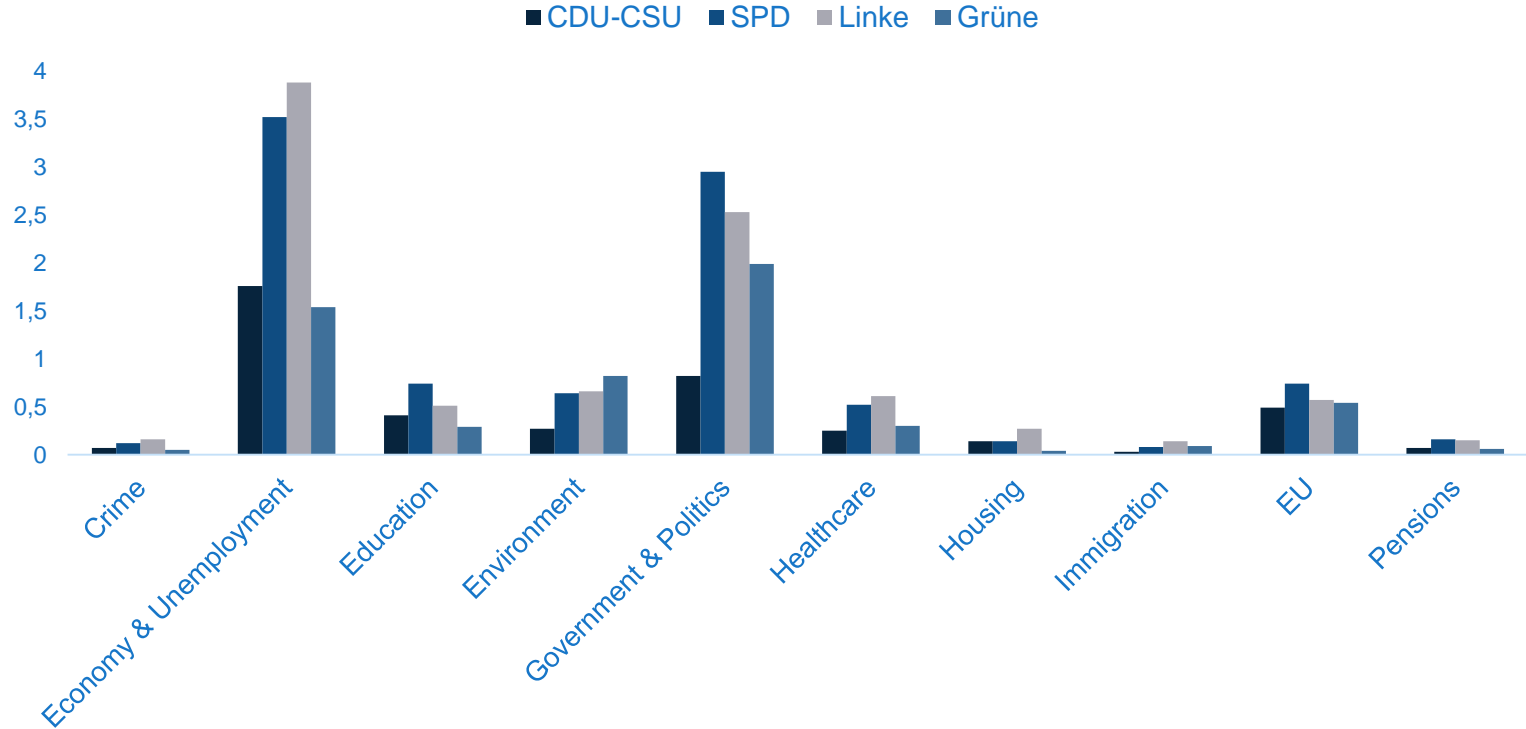
Source: Der Bundeswahlleiter

TOP PUBLIC CONCERNS IN GERMANY: 2013 & 2017

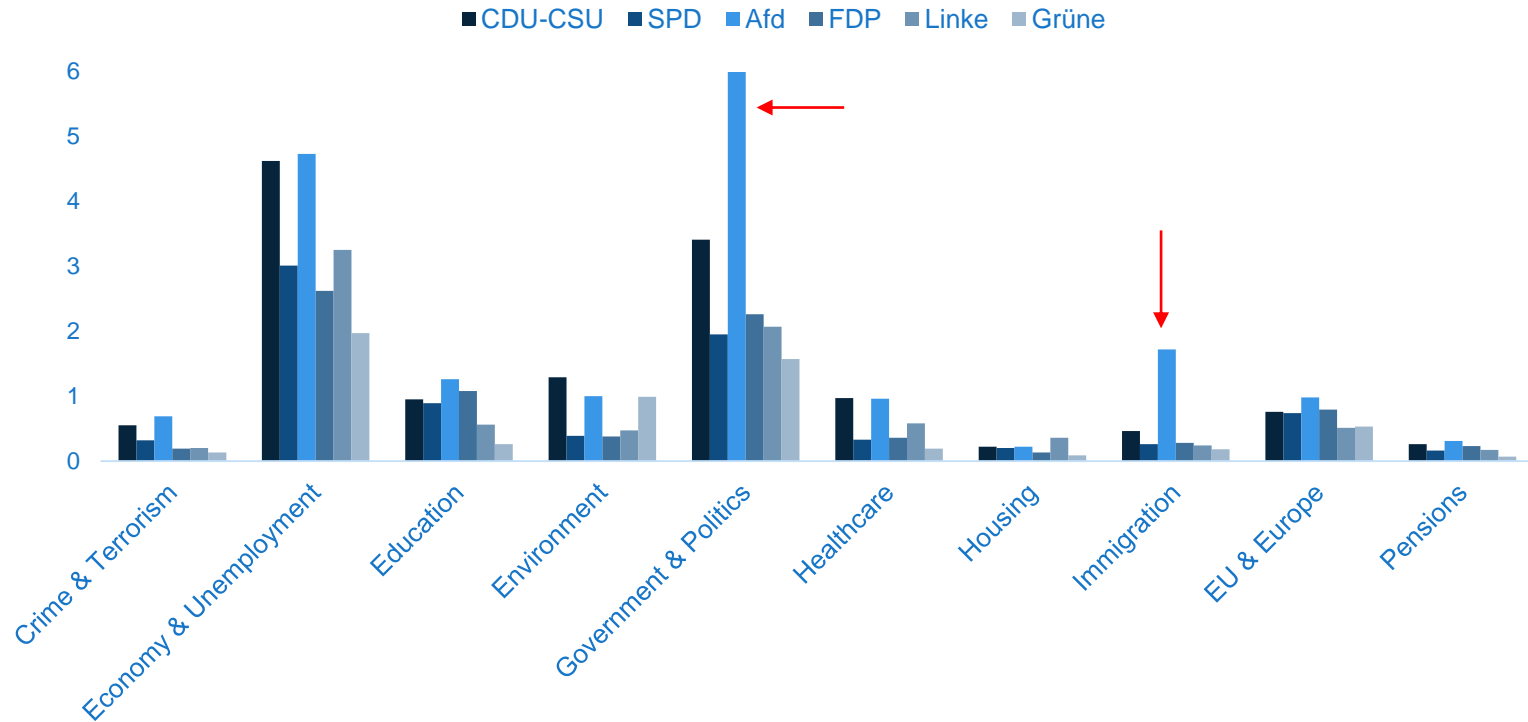


Source: Eurobarometer Interactive

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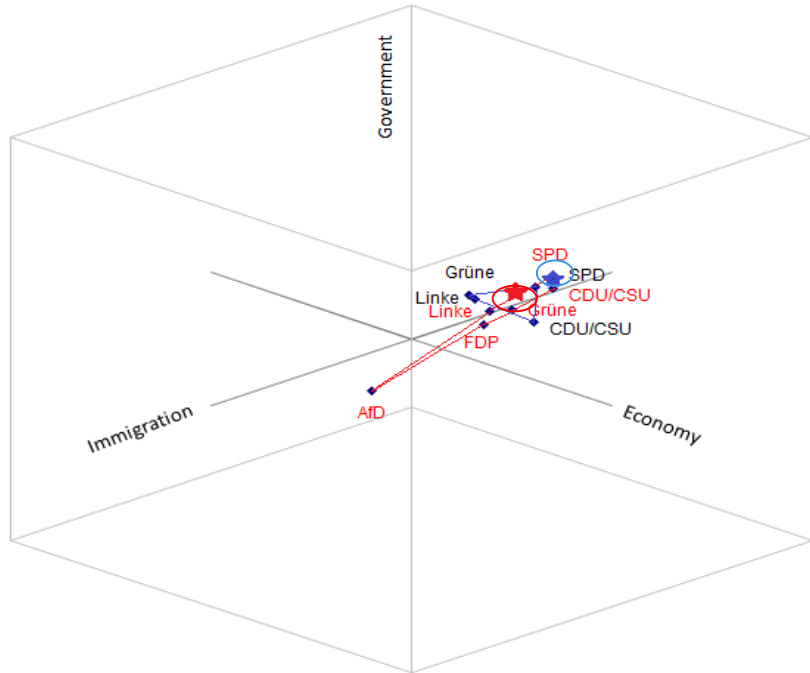


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GERMAN ELECTIONS IN 3D, IMMIGRATION

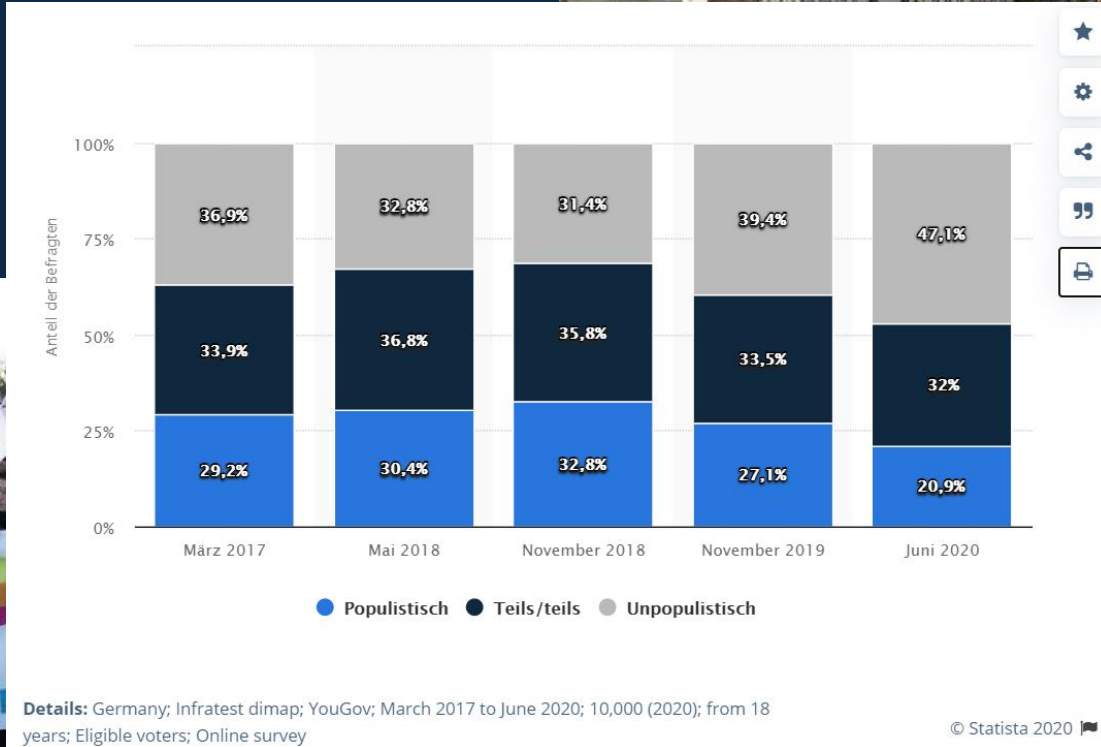
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POSITIONAL SHIFTS



How popular is AfD today?





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***“Populism has become an
illiberal democratic response to
undemocratic liberalism.”***

— Mudde and Rovira Kaltwasser, 2017

Thank you 😊