Supplementary Information "Voter Polarization, Strength of Partisanship, and Support for Extreme Parties."

The Supplementary Information file includes the following information:

- 1. The main data included in the analyses: countries, election years, parties (with their left-right positions and vote shares), mean voter position and voter polarization.
- 2. Additional analyses discussed in the main text (expected values; marginal effects plots; estimation of the share of partisans).
- 3. Robustness tests for the analyses presented in Tables 2 and 3 of the main text.

1. Data included in the analyses

Table S1. Countries, Election Years, and Political Parties Included in the Empirical Analysis

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Country, Election Year (Mean Voter Position; Voter Polarization)	Political Party	Left- Right Party Position	Vote Percentage
Australia			
1996 (5.46 ; 2.01)	Labor	4.33	38.70
, , ,	Liberal	6.45	38.60
	National	6.50	8.20
	Australian Democrats	4.69	6.70
2004 (5.34 ; 2.11)	Liberal	7.04	40.47
	Labor	4.31	37.64
	Green	3.21	7.19
	National	6.59	5.89
2007 (5.29 ; 2.12)	Labor	4.35	43.38
	Liberal	6.85	36.28
	Green	3.61	7.79
	National	6.57	5.49
Austria			
2008 (4.82 ; 2.40)	SPÖ	3.02	29.30
	ÖVP	5.72	26.00
	FPÖ	7.91	17.50
	BZÖ	7.28	10.70
	Green	2.62	10.40
Belgium-Flander	S		
1999 (5.19 ; 1.98)	Flemish Liberals and Democrats	5.75	23.40
	Christian People's Party	5.83	23.30
	Socialist Party (Flanders)	3.70	16.20
	Flemish Block	7.04	15.90
	Agalev	3.60	11.60
	VU/ID	5.31	9.10
Belgium-Walloor	1		
1999 (4.64 ; 2.11)	Socialist Party (Wallonia)	5.72	23.60

	PRL-FDF	3.0	8 23.50
	Ecolo	3.80	
	Social Christian Party	6.9	
	Social Christian Larty	0.50	3 13.00
Canada			
	Liberal	5.4	1 38.50
1777 (3.33, 1.73)	Reform	5.9	
	Conservative	5.9	
	New Democratic	3.30	
	Bloc Québécois	3.60	
2004 (5.13 ; 1.92)	Liberal	5.0	
2004 (3.13, 1.72)	Conservative	6.2	
	New Democratic	3.33	
	Bloc Québécois	3.66	
	Bioc Quebecois	3.0	3 12.39
Denmark			
1998 (5.56 ; 2.27)	Social Democrat	4.33	5 35.90
1550 (6.60, 2.27)	Liberal	7.5	
	Conservative	7.2	
	Socialist People	2.5	
	Danish People	8.64	
2001 (5.54 ; 2.23)	Left, Liberal Progress	7.3	
2001 (3.34, 2.23)	Social Democrat	4.3	
	Danish People's Party	8.13	
	Conservative	6.98	
	Socialist People	2.73	
	Radical Left, Social Liberal	4.6	
	Radical Left, Social Liberal	4.0	3.20
Finland			
2003 (5.57 ; 2.02)	Center Party	6.19	9 24.70
2005 (8.67, 2.02)	Social Democrat	4.7	
	National Coalition	7.4	
	Left Alliance	2.3	
	Green League	4.7	
	Christian Democrats	5.83	
2007 (5.67 ; 2.26)	Center Party	6.5	
2007 (2101, 2120)	National Coalition	7.99	
	Social Democrat	4.10	
	Left Alliance	1.8	
	Green League	4.7	
	— D	,	3.10
France			
2002 (5.12 ; 2.55)	UMP	6.6	6 33.30
, , -,	Socialist	3.6	

	Front National	7.05	11.20
2007 (5 47, 2 49)	Front National	7.85	11.30
2007 (5.47 ; 2.48)	UMP Socialist	7.99	39.54 24.73
	Socialist Demogratic Movement	3.54	
	Democratic Movement	5.84	7.61
Germany			
1998 (4.09 ; 2.17)	SPD	3.36	43.90
	CDU	5.71	32.20
	CSU	6.30	7.30
	PDS	2.91	5.10
2002 (4.22 ; 2.27)	SPD	3.35	38.50
, , ,	CDU	6.08	29.50
	CSU	6.59	9.00
	Green	3.01	8.60
	FDP	4.90	7.40
2005 (4.41 ; 2.44)	SPD	3.60	34.20
, , ,	CDU	6.08	27.80
	FDP	5.23	9.80
	PDS	1.23	8.70
	Green	3.34	8.10
	CSU	6.54	7.40
2009 (4.44 ; 1.92)	CDU	6.43	27.27
	SDP	3.66	23.03
	FDP	5.81	14.56
	Left	1.12	11.89
	Green	3.28	10.71
	CSU	6.96	6.53
Iceland			
1999 (5.56 ; 2.32)	Independence	8.41	40.70
1777 (3.30, 2.32)	Alliance	3.65	26.70
	Progressive	5.71	18.30
	Left Greens	2.39	9.10
2003 (5.41 ; 2.22)	Independence	8.31	33.68
2003 (2111, 2.22)	Social Alliance	4.08	30.95
	Progressive	6.03	17.13
	Left Greens	2.25	8.81
	Liberal	5.49	7.38
2007 (5.50 ; 2.13)	Independence	8.16	36.60
` , , ,	Social Alliance	4.85	26.80
	Left Greens	2.18	14.30
	Progressive	5.57	11.70
	Liberal	5.51	7.30
2009 (5.15 ; 2.10)	Social Alliance	4.25	29.80

	Independence	8.15	23.70
	Left Greens	2.17	21.70
	Progressive	5.64	14.80
	Civic Movement	4.11	7.20
Ireland		- 4.4	44.50
2002 (5.81 ; 2.10)	Fianna Fail	6.44	41.50
	Fine Gael	6.06	22.50
	Labour	3.61	10.70
	Sinn Fein	3.06	6.50
2007 (5.78 ; 2.19)	Fianna Fail	6.55	41.60
	Fine Gael	6.26	27.30
	Labour	4.00	10.10
	Sinn Fein	3.13	6.90
Israel			
1996 (5.16 ; 3.13)	Avoda	3.12	27.50
->> ()	Likud	7.46	25.80
	Shas	6.21	8.70
	Mafdal	7.32	8.10
	Meretz	1.51	7.50
2003 (5.77 ; 2.99)	Likud	7.75	29.39
2003 (3.77, 2.77)	Labor	2.88	14.46
	Shinui	4.88	12.28
	Shas	7.00	8.22
	National Union – Mafdal	8.24	5.53
	Meretz	1.76	5.21
2006 (5.70 ; 2.86)	Kadima	5.16	22.02
2000 (3.70, 2.80)	Labor (Avoda)	3.96	15.06
	Shas	6.03	9.53
	Likud	6.84	9.33 8.99
	Beytenu Ibud Laurei Mafdal	7.54	8.99
	Ihud Leumi – Mafdal	7.35	7.14
Italy			
2006 (5.13 ; 2.67)	Forza Italia	4.57	23.71
	Olive Tree	1.91	31.27
	National Alliance	4.84	12.34
	Union of Christian and Centre		
	Democrats	3.32	6.76
	Communist Refoundation Party	1.17	5.84
Nothanlanda			
Netherlands	Devil A	4.05	20.00
1998 (5.36 ; 1.99)	rvuA	4.25	29.00

	VVD	7.18	24.70
	CDA	6.23	18.40
	D66	5.07	9.00
	Green-Left	2.84	7.30
2002 (5.21 ; 2.14)	CDA	6.30	27.93
	List Pim Fortuyn	7.56	17.00
	VVD	7.03	15.44
	PvdA	3.43	15.11
	Green-Left	2.31	6.95
	Socialist Party	2.36	5.90
	D66	4.44	5.10
2006 (5.29 ; 2.21)	CDA	6.75	26.51
	PvdA	3.59	21.19
	Socialist Party	2.63	16.58
	VVD	7.19	14.67
	PVV	7.54	5.89
New Zealand			
1996 (5.57 ; 2.42)	National	7.68	33.90
, , ,	Labour	3.83	31.00
	New Zealand First	5.44	13.40
	Alliance	2.68	11.20
2002 (5.16 ; 2.30)	Labour	3.96	41.26
2002 (0120, 2.00)	National	6.85	20.93
	New Zealand First	6.48	10.38
	ACT	7.29	7.14
	Green	2.65	7.00
	United	5.58	6.69
2008 (5.66 ; 2.32)	National	6.85	44.93
2000 (2.00, 2.52)	Labour	3.66	33.99
	Green	2.54	6.72
	Green	2.34	0.72
Norway			
1997 (5.18 ; 2.15)	Labor	4.80	35.00
1))/ (3.10, 2.13)	Progress	8.30	15.30
	Conservative	8.04	14.30
	Christian People's Party	5.77	13.70
	Center Party	4.15	7.90
	Socialist Left	2.41	6.00
2001 (5.51 ; 2.08)	Labor	4.58	24.30
2001 (3.31 , 2.00)	Conservative	4.38 8.04	24.30
		8.09	14.60
	Progress Socialist Left	2.77	12.50
	Christian People's Party	5.89	12.40

	Center Party	4.46	5.60
2005 (5.21 ; 2.20)	Labor	3.99	32.69
	Progress	8.36	22.06
	Conservative	8.03	14.10
	Socialist Left	2.50	8.83
	Christian People's Party	6.15	6.78
	Center Party	4.40	6.48
	Liberal	4.78	5.92
Portugal			
2002 (5.34 ; 2.32)	PPD/PSD	7.31	40.21
2002 (3.34, 2.32)	PS	4.62	37.79
	CDS/PP Popular	7.72	8.72
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2005 (5 10, 2 52)	CDU Unitary Democratic Coalition	1.91	
2005 (5.10 ; 2.53)	PS	4.68	45.03
	PPD/PSD	6.93	28.77
	CDU Unitary Democratic Coalition	2.14	7.54
	CDS/PP Popular	7.33	7.24
2000 (545 255)	BE Left Bloc	1.68	6.35
2009 (5.15 ; 2.57)	PS	5.02	36.56
	PPD/PSD	6.96	29.11
	BE Left Bloc	6.47	10.43
	CDS/PP Popular	2.11	9.81
	CDU Unitary Democratic Coalition	2.59	7.86
Spain			
1996 (4.40 ; 2.20)	PP	7.84	38.70
, , ,	Socialist	4.02	37.60
	IU	2.28	10.50
2000 (4.71 ; 2.00)	PP	7.11	45.20
	Socialist	3.70	34.70
	IU	2.25	5.50
2004 (4.15 ; 2.10)	Socialist	3.30	42.59
2001 (1110, 2.10)	PP	7.82	37.71
		7.02	37.71
Sweden			
1998 (4.96 ; 2.54)	Social Democratic	3.48	36.40
	Moderate Rally	9.02	22.90
	Left	1.24	12.00
	Christian Democratic	6.97	11.80
	Centre	5.43	5.10
2002 (4.79 ; 2.49)	Social Democratic	3.52	39.85
(, , , , , , , , ,)	Conservative	8.95	15.26
	People Party's Liberals	6.54	13.39
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		7.10	0.15
	Christian Democratic	7.13	9.15
	Left	1.31	8.39
2006 (5.22. 2.20)	Centre	5.74	6.19
2006 (5.23 ; 2.28)	Social Democratic	3.55	34.99
	Conservative	8.50	26.23
	Centre	6.25	7.88
	People Party's Liberals	6.75	7.54
	Christian Democratic	6.89	6.59
	Left	1.34	5.85
	Green	3.54	5.24
Switzerland			
1999 (5.19 ; 2.24)	SVP-UDC People's	7.60	22.50
, , ,	SP/PS Social Democratic	3.29	22.40
	Freethinking Democrats	6.16	19.90
	CVP/PDC Christian Democratic	5.54	15.80
	GPS/PES Green	3.03	5.00
2003 (5.05 ; 2.34)	SVP-UDC People's	8.17	26.73
, , ,	SP/PS Social Democratic	2.82	23.33
	FDP/PRD Radical Democratic	6.22	17.30
	CVP/PDC Christian Democratic	5.48	14.38
	GPS/PES Green	2.91	7.40
2007 (5.30 ; 2.36)	SVP-UDC People's	8.12	28.90
, , ,	SP/PS Social Democratic	2.86	19.50
	FDP/PRD Radical Democratic	6.11	15.80
	CVP/PDC Christian Democratic	5.35	14.50
	GPS/PES Green	3.02	9.60
TT *4 1 TZ* 1			
United Kingdom	T -1	2.07	42.20
1997 (5.03 ; 2.25)	Labour	3.97	43.20
	Conservative	7.17	30.60
2005 (5.21, 2.00)	Liberal Democratic	4.71	16.70
2005 (5.21 ; 2.08)	Labour	4.65	36.14
	Conservative	6.71	33.23
	Liberal Democratic	4.40	22.65
United States			
2004 (5.83 ; 2.33)	Republicans	6.68	49.90
	Democrats	4.09	47.40

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Country, Election Year (Mean Voter Position; Voter Polarization)	Political Party	Left- Right Party Position	Vote Percentage
Albania			
2005 (5.71 ; 3.87)	Democratic Party of Albania	8.84	44.06
	Socialist Party of Albania	1.51	39.44
	Socialist Movement for Integration	2.80	8.23
Bulgaria			
2001 (5.71 ; 2.23)	National Movement – Simeon II	6.54	42.74
2001 (01.1, 2.20)	United Democratic Forces	8.80	18.18
	Bulgarian Socialist Party	1.70	17.15
	Movement for Rights and Freedoms	5.12	7.45
Croatia			
2007 (5.14 ; 2.84)	Croatian Democratic Union	7.61	34.91
2007 (3.14, 2.04)	Social Democratic Party of Croatia	2.03	32.50
	Croatian People's Party	3.98	7.05
	Croatian Peasant Party	5.36	6.77
	Croatian Social Liberal Party	4.89	6.77
	Cloatian Social Liberal Larty	7.07	0.77
Czech Republic			
1996 (5.78 ; 2.51)	Civic Democratic Party	8.93	29.60
	Czech Social Democratic Party	3.38	26.40
	Communist	0.60	10.30
	Christian Democratic Union - Czech		
	People's Party	6.20	8.10
	Association for the Republic	5.93	8.10
	Civic Democratic Alliance	7.38	6.40
2002 (4.68 ; 2.55)	CSSD Social Democratic Party	2.70	30.20
	ODS Civic Democratic Party	8.24	24.47
	Communist Christian Democratic Union - Czech	0.77	18.51
	People's Party	5.74	14.27
	Freedom Union	6.92	14.27
2006 (5.44 ; 2.53)	ODS Civic Democratic Party	8.76	35.38
2000 (2.44, 2.33)	CSSD Social Democratic Party	2.90	32.32
	Communist	1.04	12.81
	Christian Democratic Union - Czech	1.07	12.01
	People's Party	6.10	7.23
	Green	6.19	6.29

Hungary			
1998 (4.87 ; 2.25)	Socialist Party	2.93	29.00
1550 (1107, 2.23)	Alliance of Young Democrats	6.48	25.70
	Independent Smallholder's	7.13	12.10
	Alliance of Free Democrats	3.99	7.30
	Justice and Life	7.91	5.10
2002 (4.79 ; 2.92)	MSZP Hungarian Socialist Party	1.87	42.05
2002 (117), 2.72)	Fidesz	8.10	41.07
	SZDSZ Alliance of Free Democrats	2.87	5.57
	MDF Democratic Forum	7.68	41.07
	William Democratic Lorum	7.00	11.07
Poland			
1997 (5.57 ; 2.73)	Solidarity	8.15	33.80
	Democratic Left Alliance	1.66	27.10
	Freedom Union	5.61	13.30
	Peasant	3.74	7.30
	Reconstruction	7.44	5.60
2001 (4.59 ; 2.74)	Democratic Left Alliance	1.32	41.04
	Citizen's Platform	6.34	12.68
	Self Defence	4.63	10.20
	Law and Justice	6.65	9.50
	People's	4.31	8.98
	Polish Families	7.21	7.87
	AWSP	8.07	5.60
2005 (6.06 ; 2.57)	Law and Justice	7.34	26.99
	Civic Platform	6.63	24.14
	Self Defence	4.57	11.41
	Democratic Left Alliance	1.40	11.31
	Polish Families	6.48	7.97
	Peasant	4.41	6.96
2007 (6.23 ; 2.47)	Civic Platform	6.30	41.51
	Law and Justice	7.04	32.11
	Left and Democrats	1.97	13.15
	Peasant	4.91	8.91
Romania	D. LOLLS	6.70	20.10
1996 (6.10 ; 2.64)	Peasant and Christian	6.78	30.10
	Social Democracy	3.84	21.50
	Democratic	5.32	12.90
2004 (5.79, 2.20)	Democratic Union of Hungarians	5.28	6.60
2004 (5.78; 2.28)	Social Democratic	4.14	36.80
	National Liberal Party	6.86	31.48
	Democratic	6.77	31.48
	Greater Romania	3.76	12.99

	Democratic Union of Hungarians	4.81	6.20
	Humanist	4.67	36.80
Russia			
1999 (5.15 ; 2.83)	Communist	1.89	24.20
	Unity Inter-regional/Social		
	Democrats	6.87	23.30
	Fatherland All Russia	5.10	13.30
	Union of Right Forces	8.10	8.50
	Zhirinovsky	5.13	5.90
	Yabloko	6.08	5.90
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Slovenia			
1996 (4.94 ; 2.14)		3.90	27.00
	People's	5.88	19.30
	Social Democratic	6.18	16.10
	Christian Democratic	6.57	9.60
	United List of Social Democrats	3.44	9.00
2004 (5.01 ; 2.31)	Slovenian Democratic	6.96	29.08
	Liberal Democratic	3.19	22.80
	United List of Social Democrats	3.51	10.17
	Christian People's Party	6.96	9.09
	People's	6.10	6.82
	National	5.34	6.27
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Ukraine		1.00	24.50
1998 (4.63 ; 3.28)		1.80	24.70
	People's Movement	7.32	9.40
	Socialist	2.97	8.50
	People's Democratic Party	5.65	5.00

2. Additional analyses discussed in the main text

Table S2. Substantive Effects on Vote Share, Based on Different Values of Party Policy Distance and Voter Polarization

Postcommunist Democracies Party Policy Distance

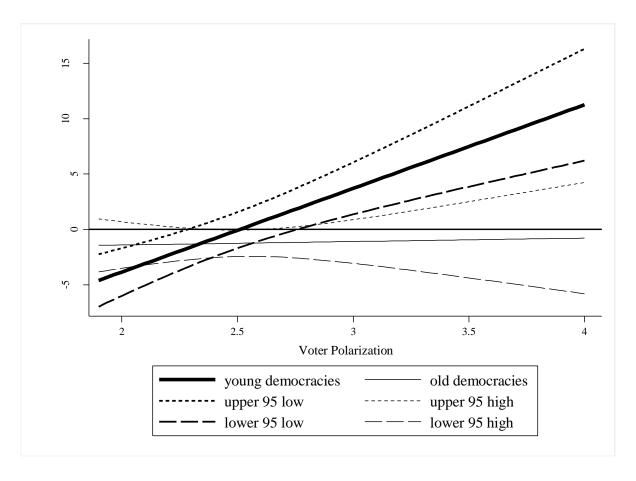
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Voter	Low	Mean	High	Change
Polarization	(-1.5 s.d.)		(+1.5 s.d.)	
Low	30.22	24.78	19.34	-10.88
Mean	17.22	21.34	25.46	+8.24
High	4.23	17.91	31.59	+27.36
Change	-25.99	-6.87	+12.25	

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Party Policy Distance				
Voter	Low	Mean	High	Change
Polarization	(-1.5 s.d.)		(+1.5 s.d.)	
Low	30.78	28.02	25.27	-5.51
Mean	30.36	27.33	24.30	-6.06
High	29.94	26.64	23.33	-6.61
Change	84	-1.38	-1.94	

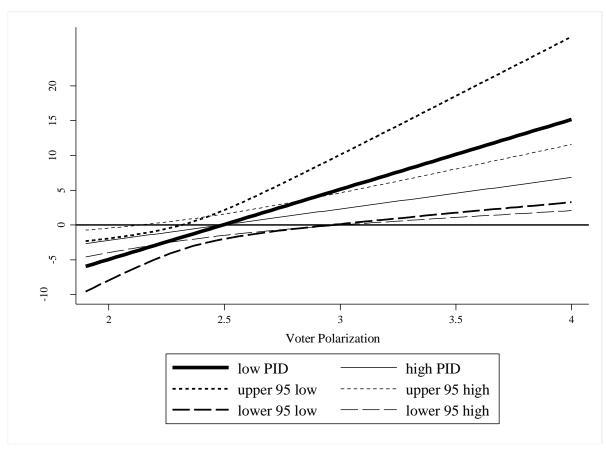
Notes. Table entries report expected values of *Vote share* based on Models 2-3 in Table 2. High and low values of *Voter polarization* and *Party policy distance* are 1.5 standard deviations above and below their means, and the number of competitive parties is fixed at three.

Figure S1. Marginal Effects of Party Policy Distance on Vote Share, Conditional on Levels of Voter Polarization, Stratified by Age of Democracy (above and below 54 years)



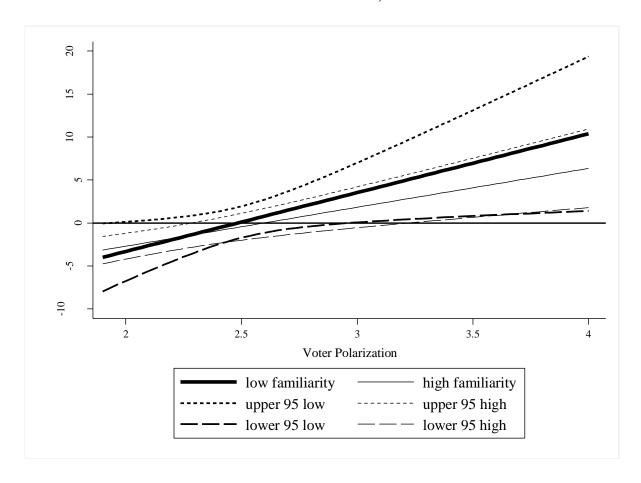
Notes: Figure charts the marginal effects of *Party policy distance* on *Vote share* over values of *Voter polarization*, stratified by high and low levels of *Age of democracy* (as provided by Table 2 Model 4 estimates). Dashed lines report 95% confidence intervals.

Figure S2. Marginal Effects of Party Policy Distance on Vote Share, Conditional on Levels of Voter Polarization, Stratified by Levels of Voter Partisanship (above and below 45.74%)



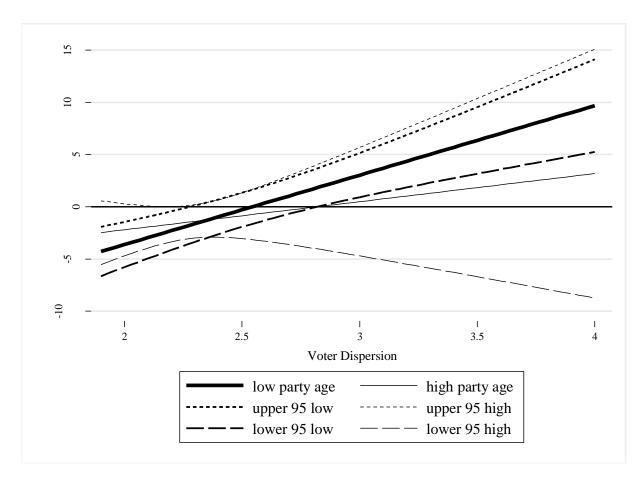
Notes: Figure charts the estimated coefficient of *Party policy distance* on *Vote share* over values of *Voter polarization*, stratified by high and low levels of *Voter partisanship* (as provided by Table 3 Model 1 estimates). Dashed lines report 95% confidence intervals.

Figure S3. Marginal Effects of Party Policy Distance on Vote Share, Conditional on Levels of Voter Polarization, and Stratified by Voter Familiarity with Political Parties (above and below 84.27%)



Notes: Figure charts the estimated coefficient of *Party policy distance* on *Vote share* over values of *Voter polarization*, stratified by high and low levels of *Voter familiarity* (as provided by Table 3 Model 2 estimates). Dashed lines report 95% confidence intervals.

Figure S4. Marginal Effects of Party Policy Distance on Vote Share, Conditional on Levels of Voter Polarization, Stratified by Party Age (above and below 40.61 years)



Notes: Figure charts the estimated coefficient of *Party policy distance* on *Vote share* over values of *Voter polarization*, stratified by high and low levels of *Party age* (as provided by Table 3 Model 3 estimates). Dashed lines report 95% confidence intervals.

The effect of party policy distance on partisanship and their conditional effect on vote share

Table S3. The effect of party policy distance on share of partisans

	All Parties	Postcommunist Democracies	Established Democracies
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Party policy	009	.023*	028**
distance	(.009)	(.012)	(.013)
Constant	.205***	.136***	.239***
	(.021)	(.027)	(.028)
N	332	90	242
R^2	.005	.046	.036

Note: Table entries are unstandardized regression coefficients with standard errors (clustered on party) in parentheses. The dependent variable is *Share of partisans*, which is calculated as the number of respondents identifying with a given party divided by the number of respondents identifying with any party in the respective election *p < .10, **p < .05, ***p < .01, two-tailed test.

Table S4. The effect of party policy distance on share of partisans

	(1)	(2)
Party policy distance	028**	.024
	(.013)	(.016)
Postcommunist	103***	
	(.039)	
Age of democracy		.002*
		(.001)
Party policy distance	.051***	
x postcommunist	(.017)	
Party policy distance		001**
x Age of democracy		(.000)
Constant	.239***	.145***
	(.028)	(.037)
N	332	332
R^2	.040	.024

Note: Table entries are unstandardized regression coefficients with standard errors (clustered on party) in parentheses. The dependent variable is *Share of partisans*, which is calculated as the number of respondents identifying with a given party divided by the number of respondents identifying with any party in the respective election *p < .10, **p < .05, ***p < .01, two-tailed test.

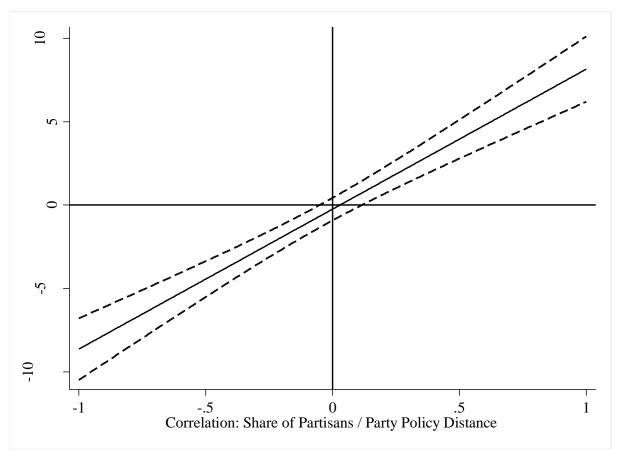
Table S5. The Conditioning Effect of the "Party Policy Distance/Share of Partisanship" Correlation

	(1)
Party policy distance	-2.51* (2.91)
Voter polarization	-4.02 (2.59)
Correlation Share of Partisanship/Distance	22.62* (13.34)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	.88 (1.23)
Voter polarization x Correlation Partisanship/Distance Party policy distance x Correlation Partisanship/Distance	-15.37** (5.88) -2.19 (8.87)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Correlation Partisanship/Distance	4.45 (3.71)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-4.06*** (.50)
Constant	50.05*** (6.33)
N Adjusted R ²	332 .29

Table S6. The Conditional Effect of the "Party Policy Distance/Share of Partisanship" Correlation on Parties' Vote Shares

	(1)	(2)	(3)
	All	New	Advanced
	Parties	Democracies	Democracies
Party policy distance	25	.66	46
	(34)	(.56)	(.32)
Party policy distance x PID/Distance correlation	8.39***	8.05***	8.38***
	(.89)	(1.30)	(1.07)
PID/Distance	-14.33***	-15.37***	-13.47***
correlation	(1.87)	(2.85)	(2.42)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-4.03*** (.54)	-2.08* (1.07)	-4.49*** (.56)
Constant	39.61***	27.52***	42.71***
	(3.04)	(5.44)	(3.22)
N	332	90	242
Adjusted R ²	.27	.26	.29

Figure S5. Marginal Effects of Party Policy Distance on Vote Share, Based on Levels of Moderate to Extreme Partisanship (as measured by the correlation between party policy distance and share of partisans)



Notes: Figure charts the marginal effects of *Party policy distance* on *Vote share* over values of a country-by-country correlation between *Party policy distance* and *Share of Partisans*, as provided by Table S6 Model 1. Dashed lines report 95% confidence intervals.

3. Robustness tests of the main analyses presented in Tables 2 and 3 of the main text

The robustness tests include:

- Tables S2a and S3a controlling for disproportionality **instead** of number of competitive parties (5%) [**note 13**]
- Tables S2b and S3b controlling for disproportionality **and** of number of competitive parties (5%) [**note 13**]
- Tables S2c and S3c using logged vote shares [note 6]
- Tables S2d and S3d controlling for *Effective number of parties (Votes)* instead of *Number of competitive parties (5%)* [**note 11**]
- Tables S2e and S3e controlling for *Effective number of parties (Seats)* instead of *Number of competitive parties (5%)* [**note 11**]
- Tables S2f and S3f to S2h and S3h for standard errors clustered on party and country as well as country fixed-effects [note 12]
- Tables S2i and S3i using CSES expert placements for party positions instead of the mean perceived position measure [note 9]
- Tables S2j and S3j employing the different centile-based polarization measures instead of standard deviation (5-95%) [note 8]
- Tables S21 and S31 for squared distance measures [**note 10**]

Table S2a. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares - Controlling for Disproportionality

	10	r Disproportiona	anty		
	(1) All	(2) Post-communist	(3) Established	(4) Triple	(5) Age of
	Parties	Democracies	Democracie s	Interaction	Democracy
Party policy distance	-13.64*** (3.92)	-30.28*** (8.39)	-1.14 (4.58)	-1.70 (4.64)	-28.48*** (8.00)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	5.45*** (1.63)	12.57*** (3.18)	31 (1.97)	10 (1.99)	11.91*** (3.04)
Voter polarization	-13.45*** (3.19)	-23.55*** (7.03)	-1.80 (4.27)	-2.46 (4.35)	-33.43*** (8.56)
Disproportionality	.38*** (.12)	55 (.37)	.50*** (.12)	.36*** (.12)	.36*** (.12)
Postcommunist Age of Democracy				44.03** (21.08)	-1.23**
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-18.57** (8.21)	(.47)
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.44** (.18)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-20.23** (8.04)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.53*** (.18)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				8.69*** (3.19)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					19*** (.07)
Constant	49.54*** (7.82)	86.38*** (18.09)	23.92*** (9.60)	26.18** (9.84)	97.72*** (23.08)
N	332	86	246	332	332
R^2	.07	.19	.07	.09	.09

Table S3a. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age, Controlling for Disproportionality

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-61.80*** (19.75)	-87.64** (35.91)	-21.09*** (7.47)
Voter polarization	-48.60*** (14.72)	-58.91** (22.46)	-26.89*** (7.08)
Voter partisanship	-1.62*** (.58)		
Party stability		-1.36* (.68)	-1.41** (.61)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	25.07*** (8.51)	34.83** (14.30)	8.97*** (2.85)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.70** (.27)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.55** (.27)	.65** (.25)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.95*** (.34)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.87** (.42)	.42 (.29)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	39** (.15)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		35** (.17)	20 (.12)
Disproportionality	.43*** (.12)	37*** (.11)	45*** (.12)
Constant	130.92*** (32.50)	162.79*** (57.02)	79.31*** (18.92)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	327 .08	.07	332

Table S2b. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares - Controlling for Disproportionality and the Number of Parties

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	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance	-14.26*** (3.69)	-29.76*** (8.47)	-2.25 (4.29)	-2.71 (4.36)	-28.53*** (8.29)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	5.66*** (1.53)	12.33*** (3.22)	.12 (1.82)	.29 (1.84)	11.79*** (3.16)
Voter polarization	-11.68*** (2.64)	-21.02** (7.79)	-2.52 (3.62)	-3.09 (3.73)	-25.04*** (8.41)
Disproportionality	13 (.12)	96*** (.32)	15 (.13)	25* (.13)	24* (.13)
Number of competitive parties	-3.97*** (.58)	-3.23*** (.83)	-4.31*** (.65)	-4.13*** (.56)	-4.05*** (.58)
Postcommunist				37.02	
Age of Democracy				(22.47)	87** (.44)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-17.75** (8.35)	· /
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.44** (.18)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-16.44* (8.57)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.37** (.17)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				8.35** (3.24)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					20*** (.07)
Constant	68.38*** (7.29)	91.69*** (21.68)	50.33*** (9.22)	51.28*** (9.23)	102.20*** (21.94)
N	332	86	246	332	332
R^2	.17	.24	.19	.19	.18

Table S3b. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age, Controlling for Disproportionality and the Number of Parties

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-55.03*** (20.11)	-97.18** (39.14)	-23.42*** (7.38)
Voter polarization	-32.59** (13.20)	-48.07** (22.45)	-21.14*** (6.91)
Voter partisanship	95** (.51)		
Party stability		-1.10* (.65)	99* (.57)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	22.75** (8.66)	39.11** (15.49)	9.74*** (2.79)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.41* (.23)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.43 (.27)	.44* (.23)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.78** (.34)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.97** (.45)	.47* (.28)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	32** (.15)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		39** (.18)	22* (.12)
Disproportionality	09 (.12)	14 (.12)	14 (.12)
Number of competitive parties	-4.07*** (.57)	-4.04*** (.57)	-3.95*** (.57)
Constant	117.72*** (29.87)	161.43*** (55.52)	90.34*** (18.41)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	327 .18	332 .17	332 .17

Table S2c. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Logged Vote Shares

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance	71*** (.19)	-1.12*** (.35)	00 (.25)	01 (.25)	-1.51*** (.42)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	.29*** (.08)	.49*** (.13)	04 (.11)	-0.04 (.11)	.64*** (.16)
Voter polarization	75*** (.18)	-1.39*** (.36)	08 (.20)	09 (.20)	-1.73*** (.42)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	17*** (.02)	09** (.04)	19*** (.02)	18*** (.02)	17*** (.02)
Postcommunist				2.87** (1.12)	
Age of Democracy				, ,	07*** (.02)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-1.02** (.43)	
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.03*** (.01)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-1.28*** (.43)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.03*** (.01)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				.49*** (.17)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					01*** (.00)
Constant	5.41*** (.38)	6.48*** (.92)	4.06*** (.44)	3.99*** (.44)	7.73*** (1.08)
N	336	90	246	336	336
R^2	.13	.20	.15	.16	.15

Table S3c. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (Dependent Variable: Logged Vote Share)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-2.78** (1.28)	-4.87*** (1.65)	-1.20*** (.40)
Voter polarization	-1.64* (.97)	-4.05*** (1.12)	-1.43*** (.39)
Voter partisanship	04 (.04)		
Party stability		10*** (.03)	07* (.03)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	1.11* (.56)	1.92*** (.62)	.50*** (.15)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.02 (.02)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.04*** (.01)	.03** (.01)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.04* (.02)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.05** (.02)	.02 (.02)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	02 (.01)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		02** (.01)	01 (.01)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	18*** (.02)	17*** (.02)	17*** (.02)
Constant	7.72*** (2.12)	13.53*** (2.79)	7.02*** (1.00)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	331 .14	336 .14	336 .14

Table S2d. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (Effective Number of Parties based on Votes)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance	-14.16*** (3.56)	-21.55*** (5.70)	65 (4.55)	-1.38 (4.42)	-27.43*** (7.08)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	5.55*** (1.50)	9.05*** (2.09)	73 (1.96)	38 (1.88)	11.37*** (2.71)
Voter polarization	-10.10** (3.79)	-20.40*** (5.29)	4.09 (3.93)	1.62 (3.79)	-26.42*** (7.75)
Effective number of parties (Votes)	-2.04*** (.46)	-1.18** (.51)	-2.86*** (.53)	-2.01*** (.44)	1.98*** (.46)
Postcommunist				40.22** (17.54)	
Age of Democracy					-1.09*** (.40)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-17.74** (7.45)	
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.43** (.16)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-18.89** (7.11)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.47*** (.16)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				8.43*** (2.94)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					19*** (.06)
Constant	53.85*** (7.88)	72.59*** (13.75)	27.36*** (8.79)	28.69*** (8.04)	92.23*** (19.58)
N	336	90	246	336	336
R^2	.12	.23	.13	.15	.14

Table S3d. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (Effective Number of Parties based on Votes)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-49.26** (20.13)	-95.56*** (25.12)	-21.02*** (6.65)
Voter polarization	-46.64*** (17.32)	-51.96** (21.43)	-18.41*** (6.75)
Voter partisanship	-1.67** (.64)		
Party stability		-1.29** (.64)	94* (.55)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	19.80** (8.68)	37.52*** (9.45)	8.79*** (2.53)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.73** (.30)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.51* (.26)	.43* (.24)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.71** (.35)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.97*** (.30)	.41 (.27)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	29* (.15)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		38*** (.12)	19* (.11)
Effective number of parties (Votes)	-2.17*** (.45)	-2.22*** (.50)	-1.98*** (.45)
Constant	137.71*** (38.45)	161.01*** (51.59)	72.20*** (16.47)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	331 .14	336 .13	336 .13

Table S2e. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (Effective Number of Parties, based on Seats)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance	-15.75*** (3.41)	-24.24*** (6.16)	74 (4.38)	-1.52 (4.32)	-31.60*** (7.65)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	6.22*** (1.44)	10.09*** (2.26)	63 (1.89)	28 (1.84)	12.94*** (2.94)
Voter polarization	-11.55*** (3.62)	-22.77*** (6.31)	3.19 (3.50)	.77 (3.48)	-28.80*** (8.62)
Effective number of parties (Seats)	-2.00*** (.43)	81* (.47)	-2.99*** (.45)	-1.99*** (.43)	-1.96*** (.45)
Postcommunist				44.76** (20.82)	
Age of Democracy				(20.02)	-1.16*** (.43)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-21.60** (8.20)	` '
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.50*** (.17)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-20.52** (8.19)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.50*** (.17)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x				9.83*** (3.21)	
Postcommunist Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					22*** (.07)
Constant	55.80*** (7.64)	76.23*** (16.62)	27.88*** (7.77)	29.16*** (7.43)	97.02*** (21.94)
N	336	90	246	336	336
R^2	.11	.20	.14	.14	.13

Table S3e. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (Effective Number of Parties, based on Seats)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-47.59** (20.06)	-87.15*** (25.79)	-25.20*** (6.99)
Voter polarization	-48.73*** (16.76)	-45.73** (21.87)	-21.13*** (7.41)
Voter partisanship	-1.68*** (.62)		
Party stability		-1.08 (.65)	-1.06* (.59)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	19.27** (8.63)	33.80*** (9.83)	10.38*** (2.66)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.75** (.28)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.41 (.27)	.48* (.25)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.65* (.34)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.85*** (.31)	.50* (.28)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	27* (.15)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		33*** (.12)	23* (.12)
Effective number of parties (Seats)	-2.22*** (.43)	-2.16*** (.50)	-1.95*** (.43)
Constant	140.46*** (37.18)	146.20*** (53.16)	77.55*** (18.53)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	331 .13	336 .12	336 .12

Table S2f. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (Standard Errors Clustered on Party)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance	-13.84*** (4.60)	-22.87*** (6.93)	-1.77 (6.61)	-1.91 (6.70)	-28.24*** (8.92)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	5.52*** (1.82)	9.61*** (2.49)	06 (2.79)	01 (2.82)	11.67*** (3.24)
Voter polarization	-12.93*** (3.95)	-24.40*** (6.52)	-1.99 (6.23)	-2.21 (6.29)	-30.26*** (7.45)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.62*** (.75)	-1.81 (1.28)	-4.03*** (.84)	-3.62*** (.74)	-3.53*** (.74)
Postcommunist				49.48** (23.23)	
Age of Democracy					-1.12** (.47)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-18.84* (9.64)	
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.44** (.21)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-21.74** (9.15)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.48** (.18)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				8.76** (3.75)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					20** (.08)
Constant	68.67*** (9.80)	86.38*** (20.06)	46.96*** (14.46)	45.39*** (14.54)	110.58*** (20.25)
N	336	90	246	336	336
R^2	.16	.21	.19	.19	.18

Table S3f. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age Shares (Standard Errors Clustered on Party)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-53.16** (24.51)	-61.20 (39.45)	-23.39** (9.05)
Voter polarization	-27.92 (17.87)	-53.64* (28.62)	-25.46*** (7.94)
Voter partisanship	70 (.76)		
Party stability		-1.23 (.88)	-1.27 (.78)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	21.69** (10.45)	23.97 (15.64)	9.74*** (3.38)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.28 (.33)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.50 (.36)	.57* (.33)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.74* (.44)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.57 (.47)	.47 (.34)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	30 (.19)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		22 (.19)	21 (.14)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.84*** (.75)	-3.58*** (.74)	-3.59*** (.74)
Constant	106.90*** (40.21)	168.34** (71.06)	98.02*** (20.87)
$rac{N}{R^2}$	331 .18	336 .17	336 .17

Table S2g. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (Standard Errors Clustered on Election)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance	-13.84*** (4.00)	-22.87** (7.65)	-1.77 (5.43)	-1.91 (5.46)	-28.24*** (9.19)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	5.52*** (1.61)	9.61*** (2.74)	06 (2.30)	01 (2.31)	11.67*** (3.33)
Voter polarization	-12.93*** (3.18)	-24.40** (8.16)	-1.99 (4.47)	-2.21 (4.54)	-30.26*** (9.34)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.62*** (.52)	-1.81** (.64)	-4.03*** (.54)	-3.62*** (.49)	-3.53*** (.48)
Postcommunist				49.48* (24.91)	
Age of Democracy				(21.91)	-1.12** (.51)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-18.84* (9.26)	
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.44** (.22)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-21.74** (9.50)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.48** (.19)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				8.76** (3.57)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					20** (.08)
Constant	68.67*** (6.96)	86.38*** (22.06)	46.96*** (9.63)	45.39*** (9.84)	110.58*** (24.97)
N	336	90	246	336	336
\mathbb{R}^2	.16	.21	.19	.19	.18

Table S3g. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (Standard Errors Clustered on Election)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-53.16** (22.25)	-61.20 (36.25)	-23.39** (8.79)
Voter polarization	-27.92* (15.33)	-53.64** (21.30)	-25.46*** (8.14)
Voter partisanship	70 (.61)		
Party stability		-1.23* (.65)	-1.27* (.71)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	21.69** (9.60)	23.97* (13.65)	9.74*** (3.23)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.28 (.28)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.50* (.25)	.57* (.29)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.74* (.38)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.57 (.41)	.47 (.36)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	30* (.16)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		22 (.16)	21 (.15)
Number of competitive parties -5%	-3.84*** (.51)	-3.58*** (.55)	-3.59*** (.47)
Constant	106.90*** (33.93)	168.34** (55.16)	98.02*** (21.68)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	331 .18	336 .17	336 .17

Table S2h. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (Country-specific Effects)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance	-17.88*** (5.12)	-36.31** (11.24)	-3.59 (6.54)	-3.69 (6.52)	-44.79*** (12.61)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	7.16*** (2.10)	14.82*** (4.29)	.65 (2.80)	.69 (2.79)	18.10*** (4.88)
Voter polarization	-11.73*** (7.17)	-26.35** (12.19)	25 (9.36)	.11 (9.31)	-32.37** (13.84)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-2.68*** (1.00)	-2.18 (1.66)	-3.19** (1.22)	-2.84*** (.98)	-3.03*** (1.01)
Postcommunist				-	
Age of Democracy				-	-1.13 (.77)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				32.58** (13.00)	
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.70** (.27)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-26.95* (15.26)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.57* (.32)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				14.11*** (5.12)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					29*** (.11)
Constant	61.20***	92.51***	39.05*	52.70***	104.06***
N	(18.36) 336	(33.43) 90	(23.00) 246	(19.00) 336	(35.35) 336
Overall R ²	.14	.17	.18	.01	.09

Notes: Table entries are unstandardized regression coefficients from a fixed effects model with country-specific effects, standard errors in parentheses. Dependent variable is *Vote share*. *p < .10, **p < .05, ***p < .01, two-tailed test.

Table S3h. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (Country-specific Effects)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-51.48** (24.60)	-84.84* (44.28)	-33.78*** (12.10)
Voter polarization	-28.38 (24.87)	-85.76* (48.71)	-24.62* (13.58)
Voter partisanship	55 (1.20)		
Party stability		-2.08 (1.43)	-1.05 (.93)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	21.21** (10.47)	33.92* (18.15)	13.70*** (4.70)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.28 (.51)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.90 (.60)	.55 (.39)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.66 (.48)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.81 (.53)	.67* (.37)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	28 (.20)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		33 (.22)	29* (.15)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-2.76** (1.07)	-2.58** (1.01)	-2.67*** (1.01)
Constant	96.27* (57.11)	232.11** (115.84)	85.18*** (34.61)
N Overall R ²	331 .16	336 .14	336 .11

Notes: Table entries are unstandardized regression coefficients from a fixed effects model with country-specific effects, standard errors in parentheses. Dependent variable is *Vote share*. *p < .10, **p < .05, ***p < .01, two-tailed test.

Table S2i. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (Party policy distance based on Experts)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance (Experts)	-2.92 (4.52)	-4.61 (12.35)	5.13 (4.40)	5.24 (4.41)	-13.63 (14.03)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	.21 (1.91)	1.19 (4.84)	-3.61* (1.92)	-3.66* (1.92)	4.62 (5.49)
Voter polarization	-1.60 (3.80)	-1.98 (9.45)	5.38 (4.08)	5.39 (4.14)	-9.96 (11.30)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.71*** (.51)	-2.43** (1.11)	-4.12*** (.52)	-3.78*** (.49)	-3.73*** (.51)
Postcommunist				19.00 (24.70)	
Age of Democracy				(24.70)	61 (.54)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-10.65 (12.60)	, ,
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.32 (.26)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-9.18 (9.76)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.26 (.22)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				5.23 (4.99)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					14 (.10)
Constant	45.95*** (9.34)	39.26 (24.96)	33.27*** (9.22)	31.56*** (9.36)	67.18** (28.90)
N	318	89	229	318	318
\mathbb{R}^2	.19	.08	.25	.20	.19

Table S3i. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (Party Policy Distance based on Experts)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance (Experts)	-18.93 (18.26)	-109.06*** (20.21)	-8.86 (11.56)
Voter polarization	-6.96 (19.12)	-100.21*** (21.77)	-9.14 (9.64)
Voter partisanship	19 (.74)		
Party stability		-2.93*** (.64)	99 (.64)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	7.42 (8.27)	42.57*** (7.99)	3.07 (4.47)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.10 (.35)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		1.19*** (.27)	.46* (.27)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.30 (.32)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		1.29*** (.26)	.41 (.30)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	14 (.15)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		51*** (.11)	19 (.12)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.89*** (.48)	-3.44*** (.55)	-3.74*** (.49)
Constant	57.48*** (41.19)	286.18** (51.38)	62.46** (24.85)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	317 .20	336 .22	318 .20

Table S2j. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (5-95 centiles)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance Party policy distance x Voter	-9.52** (3.77) 1.08**	-40.68*** (10.93) 4.66* **	.23 (4.18) 27	.05 (4.20) 25	-31.89*** (11.04) 3.70***
polarization (5-95)	(.47)	(1.18)	(.54)	(.55)	(1.21)
Voter polarization	-2.38*** (.79)	-9.77*** (2.45)	08 (1.04)	04 (1.04)	-8.24*** (2.61)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.84*** (.45)	-2.10** (.78)	-4.20*** (.46)	-3.74*** (.43)	-3.74*** (.48)
Postcommunist				80.05*** (24.94)	
Age of Democracy				, ,	-1.14** (.45)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-39.50*** (11.07)	
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.53** (.21)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-9.50*** (2.75)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.14*** (.05)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				4.76*** (1.23)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					06*** (.02)
Constant	58.72***	114.60***	43.88***	41.30***	109.44***
N	(6.41)	(21.85)	(8.09)	(8.08)	(23.40)
N	336	90	246	336	336
R^2	.15	.24	.19	.20	.17

Table S3j. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (5-95 Centiles)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-15.76 (13.68)	-29.54 (30.34)	-26.57*** (9.25)
Voter polarization (5-95)	-1.78 (2.94)	-6.91 (5.46)	-6.87*** (2.05)
Voter partisanship	.00 (.40)		
Party stability		51 (.56)	-1.28** (.51)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	1.45 (1.78)	3.01 (3.45)	3.12*** (1.00)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	01 (.06)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.05 (.07)	.16*** (.06)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.14 (.26)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.24 (.35)	.60** (.26)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	01 (.03)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		02 (.04)	08** (.03)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.90*** (.44)	-3.77*** (.50)	-3.75*** (.46)
Constant	59.47*** (21.85)	101.11** (46.35)	96.09*** (18.71)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	332 .16	336 .15	336 .17

Table S2k. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (10-90 centiles)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance	-8.21*** (2.88)	-21.80*** (5.52)	.67 (2.57)	.59 (2.59)	-26.95*** (6.46)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization (10-90)	1.19** (.45)	3.28*** (.72)	44 (.41)	43 (.41)	4.05*** (.87)
Voter polarization	-2.71*** (.83)	-7.21*** (1.69)	.40 (.88)	.30 (.89)	-9.47*** (1.84)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.67*** (.46)	-1.81** (.71)	-4.00*** (.50)	-3.60*** (.44)	-3.56*** (.44)
Postcommunist				46.79*** (14.57)	
Age of Democracy				(1 /)	-1.08*** (.27)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-20.62*** (6.13)	
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.48*** (.13)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-7.57*** (1.97)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.17*** (.04)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				3.45*** (.84)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					08*** (.02)
Constant	55.38*** (5.04)	75.37*** (13.30)	39.99*** (5.41)	38.55*** (5.40)	100.10*** (13.90)
N	336	90	246	336	336
R^2	.15	.23	.19	.20	.19

Table S3k. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (10-90 centiles)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance	-26.18* (15.42)	-39.76* (22.18)	-22.18*** (6.39)
Voter polarization (10-90)	-4.50 (3.83)	-16.73*** (4.97)	-7.95*** (1.83)
Voter partisanship	31 (.42)		
Party stability		-1.10** (.43)	-1.36** (.37)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	3.61 (2.45)	5.77* (2.95)	3.40*** (.87)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.03 (.07)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.17*** (.06)	.23*** (.06)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.35 (.28)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		.38 (.26)	.60*** (.19)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	05 (.04)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		06 (.04)	10*** (.03)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.70*** (.45)	-3.67*** (.46)	-3.64*** (.43)
Constant	71.28*** (22.95)	146.14*** (36.06)	88.78*** (13.50)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	332 .16	336 .16	336 .18

Table S21. The Conditional Effect of Voter Polarization on Parties' Vote Shares (Party policy distance squared)

	(1) All Parties	(2) Post-communist Democracies	(3) Established Democracies	(4) Triple Interaction	(5) Age of Democracy
Party policy distance (squared)	-3.27*** (.70)	-4.74*** (1.47)	55 (.87)	58 (.88)	-5.69*** (1.70)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	1.27*** (.29)	1.97*** (.56)	.01 (.35)	.02 (.36)	2.38*** (.65)
Voter polarization	-8.28*** (1.88)	-15.18*** (4.86)	-1.95 (1.84)	-2.11 (1.89)	-18.95*** (5.68)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.64*** (.47)	-2.09** (.82)	-4.02*** (.48)	-3.65*** (.44)	-3.56*** (.44)
Postcommunist				31.49** (14.88)	
Age of Democracy					69** (.29)
Party policy distance x Postcommunist				-3.85** (1.73)	
Party policy distance x Age of democracy					.09** (.04)
Voter polarization x Postcommunist				-13.62** (5.64)	
Voter polarization x age of democracy					.29** (.11)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Postcommunist				1.83*** (.67)	
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Age of democracy					04*** (.01)
Constant	57.50*** (4.20)	65.94*** (13.08)	45.63*** (4.34)	44.16*** (4.40)	83.06*** (14.83)
N	336	90	246	336	336
\mathbb{R}^2	.16	.19	.19	.19	.18

Table S3l. The Conditioning Effects of Partisanship as Measured by Levels of Partisan Identification, Voter Familiarity, and Party Age (Party policy distance squared)

	(1) Voter partisanship	(2) Voter Familiarity	(3) Party Age
Party policy distance (squared)	-17.15*** (5.90)	-21.25** (9.10)	-4.38*** (1.34)
Voter polarization	-17.65* (9.16)	-44.51*** (13.66)	-14.99*** (4.77)
Voter partisanship	41 (.38)		
Party stability		-1.04** (.40)	86* (.50)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization	6.92*** (2.45)	8.43** (3.42)	1.77*** (.52)
Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	.17 (.18)		
Voter polarization x Party stability		.44*** (.16)	.38* (.22)
Party policy distance x Voter partisanship	.25** (.10)		
Party policy distance x Party stability		21** (.10)	.24 (.24)
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Voter partisanship	10** (.04)		
Party policy distance x Voter polarization x Party stability		08** (.04)	11 (.10)
Number of competitive parties – 5%	-3.84*** (.44)	-3.59*** (.48)	-3.64*** (.44)
Constant	81.34*** (20.36)	142.96*** (33.92)	73.58*** (12.38)
$\frac{N}{R^2}$	331 .18	336 .17	336 .17