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Europe's New 'Weimar Republic'? Legitimation Crisis, Party System Change, and the Rise of Political Extremism in Greece

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Ever since what has by now become known as 'the Greek crisis' begun in 2008, Greece has teetered between instability and collapse. With a bankrupt economy, the old party system in ruins, and its society in a shambles, this European country is now faced with the rise of neo-populism and political extremism. Is, then, Greek democracy at risk? And what are the prospects for Greek democracy's future given the current dynamics of the newly emergent system of extreme and polarized pluralism in it?

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