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European Parliamentary Elections in 1979 to include elections of devolved administrations such as the Scottish Parliament, local mayors or the Police and Crime Commissioner Elections. Drawing upon a range of elections, the book develops a new classification based on the interactions that exist between voters, the media and political parties. In doing so, it argues that alongside voters, political parties and the media can, and do, prioritize certain elections. The author explores the role of each group within elections individually through case studies. The final chapter then offers an overall means of understanding the levels of salience attached to each election. Christopher Kirkland is Lecturer in Politics at York St. John University, UK. Previous publications include *The Political Economy of Britain in Crisis* and *PCC Elections as a 'Failed Experiment': What Lessons can be Learned?*

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