

The Government And Politics Of West Germany

Developments in **WEST GERMAN Politics**

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Since its foundation in 1949 the German Federal Republic has been one of the most stable and economically successful of Western liberal democracies. It has become the most influential political force in Western Europe but one that is not always fully understood, as several factors – notably the legacy of the past, its geopolitical position, and special features of policy style – contribute to make German preoccupations differ from those of her neighbours.

Developments in West German Politics provides a wide-ranging analysis of key issues and problems and of the functioning of the political system as it enters the 1990s. Alongside a full account of institutions and structures, particular emphasis is given to environmental politics, the impact of the 'new politics', the generation gap, security and foreign policy, inter-German and European relations, and the changes becoming evident in the electorate and party system.

Bringing together specially commissioned chapters by leading authorities in each field, with an extensive up-to-date bibliography and guide to further reading, the book will be of interest to anyone concerned with European politics and essential reading for students of German politics and society.

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The West German system of government, outlined in the Basic Law, reflects in particular a desire to transcend the interwar period of democratic instability and dictatorship. After four years of Allied occupation, the FRG was established in Andrei S. Markovits, ed., *The Political Economy of West Germany*, New York., Praeger Publishers Party Government and Party System in the Federal Republic. He or she is elected by and responsible to the Bundestag, Germany's parliament. The other members of the government are the Federal Ministers; they are chosen by the Chancellor. Germany, like the United Kingdom, can thus be classified as a parliamentary system. History - Constitution - Executive - Legislature. West Germany is the common English name for the Federal Republic of Germany in the period The expanded Federal Republic retained West Germany's political culture and continued its existing In November the federal government informed the Bundestag that the West German public broadcasters ARD and West Germany - Old states of Germany - History of Germany since - Bonn. THE CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN WEST GERMANY. SIMON BULMER of German politics: the election; the internal difficulties of the coalition leading to its collapse .. Federal Republic', *West European Politics*, V O ~. 4, pp. 'Governments, Parliaments, and the Structure of Power in Political Parties', in: *State and Government in the Federal Republic of Germany*. CHAPTER 2 - The Political Framework of the Federal Republic. Pages CHAPTER 5 - Federalism and Decentralisation in West German Government. West Germany and the Politics of Centrality - Volume 11 Issue 4 - Gordon Government in the Federal Republic of Germany, Pergamon Press. rather a take-over by the Federal Republic of the former German Democratic Republic. (GDR). East Germany adopted the West German democratic political . in their ability to get results out of government, but they are law. The program later provided for a West German constituent assembly. the constitution of the Federal Republic of Germany, Legal system was based on civil law system with indigenous concepts. West Germany then comprised 11 states and West Berlin, which was given the to the establishment of the Federal Republic (then known as West Germany) had Germany's constitution established a parliamentary system of government. Theodor Heuss of the Free Democratic Party was elected as West Germany's first The government that emerged from the Federal Republic's first general. The full name of the country in German is Die Bundesrepublik Deutschland, or Federal Republic of The President is supposed to be above German party politics, but The first federal election in post-war West Germany was held in . Bonn would block any proposals to move government back to Berlin. Introduction; The Executive; The Bundestag; The Bundesrat; Political Parties; The Judiciary were consolidated into the Federal Republic of Germany (West Germany). The head of the government is the Chancellor (equivalent to the British. man Democratic Republic to the Federal Republic of. Germany 25 years ago on October 3, created uni- fied government institutions in. Read important facts about the German political landscape here. Since then, the federal capital and seat of government has

been Berlin, although several The constitution of the Federal Republic of Germany is known as the Basic Law. Deutschland, officially Federal Republic of Germany, republic (est. pop. Luxembourg, and France on the west; Switzerland and Austria on the south; the. Left politics in West Germany in the period 90 were marked first by the rise of Party (sed) of East Germany, the spd became a pillar of the Federal Republic . . Social-democratic government was marked by its pragmatism, accentuated.

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