Endosos para **Visions of Sovereignty**

"**Visions of Sovereignty is a sophisticated treatment of the moral economy (or “moral polity”) of contemporary substate nationalism in the developed West. Drawing in particular on a wide range of elite and base-level militant interviews, this book emphasizes the diversity of political orientations in these societies and develops an original interpretation of the sources and political consequences of variations in orientations.”**

**Prof. Hudson Meadwell, Political Science Department, McGill University, Montréal, Canada.**

**Visions of Sovereignty presents a powerful challenge to rational choice and materialist theories of nationalism. Lluch’s 'moral polity thesis' emphasizes the failure on the part of central governments and majority groups in plurinational states to engage national minorities in their vision of the state, thus providing an enlightening account of contemporary Catalan and Québécois nationalism, and some of the political conundrums facing multinational democracies such as the United Kingdom, Spain, Belgium, and Canada.**

Prof. André Lecours, Political Science Department, University of Ottawa, Canada

**Visions of Sovereignty makes a novel theoretical contribution to the study of political and constitutional dynamics in multinational democracies. Lluch’s non-mechanistic account is a refreshing theoretical perspective and a welcome contribution in a field plagued by structuralist and deterministic accounts.**

**The book examines political dynamics in contemporary multinational democracies, based on a study of Quebec and Catalonia during the period 1976-2010. Moreover, the author’s “moral polity” thesis also helps to explain recent political and constitutional developments in Catalonia and Spain, in particular after 2010. We have witnessed in Catalonia how an important component of political catalanism has shifted from a pro-autonomism orientation to a pro-sovereignty platform.**

Prof. Jordi Argelaguet, Professor of Political Science, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, and Director, Center for the Study of Public Opinion, Government of Catalonia.

***Visions of Sovereignty* makes a very original theoretical contribution to our understanding of the concept of sovereignty and of sub-state national movements, and presents an innovative normative account founded on the author’s "moral polity” thesis. The cases of Catalonia and Quebec are analyzed in-depth and very competently.  The book should be of great interest to comparativists, political theorists, and constitutional law scholars interested in the accommodation of national diversity in multinational democracies.**

Prof. Alain Gagnon, Canada Research Chair, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

**The empirical work in *Visions of Sovereignty* is ambitious and innovative, giving valuable insight into the factors that lead nationalists to opt for different constitutional goals.**

Prof. Anwen Elias, Aberystwyth University, Wales, UK

**This extremely interesting book employs some excellent original material and argumentation. Because it focuses on a range of parties grappling with the constitutional issue, *Visions of Sovereignty* really adds to the literature on parties and the general phenomenon of constitutional politics and secession.**

Prof. Peter Lynch, University of Stirling, Scotland, UK

***Visions of Sovereignty* is an outstanding and timely contribution to the study of nationalist movements in multinational states. Not only does it provide a detailed account of the contrasting political strategies and shed light on tensions and internal variations within nationalist movements in Quebec and Catalonia, but it also significantly contributes to the growing literature on multinational democracies.**

François Rocher, School of Political Studies, University of Ottawa, Canada.

**"Lluch employs an impressive array of empirical evidence to offer new insights into the workings of nationalist movements. 'Visions of Sovereignty' skilfully demonstrates that such movements are not homogenous entities as generally thought, but they are made up of multiple territorial actors, each with competing constitutional demands that pulls them into different directions over time. This perspective is an important addition to the literature.”**

Eve Hepburn, Professor of Political Science, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK