

Democracy In and Beyond
the Public Square:
What Comparative Analysis Tells Us
About the South Korean Case

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Seoul, November 2016



Madrid, May 2011



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Athens, June 2011



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NYC, November 2011



May 15, 2011
Movimiento
15-M
Los Indignados
6.5 to 8 million
participants



Map of global protests in Madrid's Puerta del Sol,
October 15, 2011
Cover picture of Marcos Ancelovici, Pascale Dufour and Héloïse Nez, eds.,
Street Politics in the Age of Austerity: From the Indignados to Occupy, 2016

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Crisis of rising inequality and crisis of representative democracy

Variation between the 15-M and candlelight movements

Dual crisis as foreground or background



Broadly anti-system



Specifically anti-something

Variation between paths toward institutionalization

Disruption or non-disruption of the party system



Alteration of the existing party system



Alternation without alteration

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