



## Haider Phenomenon (Ppr)

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Transaction Publishers. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 264 pages. Dimensions: 8.7in. x 6.1in. x 0.8in. Austria does not often make political headlines. It has at least twice in recent years: in 1986, when the Waldheim Affair was debated worldwide, and in 1999, when the Austrian Freedom Party (FPÖ) under Jörg Haider received 27 percent of the vote in national elections. Established by former Nazis for former Nazis, the FPÖ entered the mainstream of Austrian politics when it became part of a coalition government. This volume explores whether its rise is a uniquely Austrian phenomenon or corresponds to broader social and political changes in Europe. Parallels to Haider's party can be found in other European countries. Its anti-immigration agenda and rhetoric are similar to those of the French FN, the Belgian Vlaams Bloc, and the Italian Lega Nord. And its anti-European Union posture is similar to the sentiments of the anti-Maastricht wing of the British conservative party. However, European reaction to the FPÖ's rise derives not only from its policies, but its linkage to past suspicions that the Austrians have not learned the lessons of history as had the Germans. The FPÖ's success strengthened that impression. In response, 14 European Union governments...



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