

Review of: "Neoliberalism, Strong State and Democracy"

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This is a very interesting and well-written piece on the relationship between the state and neoliberalism. It provides a useful theoretical and historical overview of political economy and how the state is positioned around it. However, it only takes the conflation of the state and market in an institutional level. To understand the role of the state in political economy, it is crucial to focus on how this institutional/constitutional composition manifests itself within the social dynamics as well. How a variety of social groups (within their domestic, international and global engagements) and their ideological stances are incorporated within the neoliberal paradigm and its political adherence to democracy and/or authoritarianism? This question is vital to make sense of neoliberal authoritarianism (and/or democracy) and the recent rise of populist far-right globally.