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Reading list on public opinion and the EU in the Great Recession

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Economic voting – a retrospective evaluation of parties' performance – has been interpreted as voters' instrument of democratic accountability. Based on EES data for Southern Europe the As. show that voters holding the EU responsible for the economic condition of their nation – thus assigning prime economic competence to the supranational polity – are less likely to hold their government accountable. This finding – confirming for Southern Europe the general finding on the clarity of government responsibility (Powel & Whitten, 1993), and the globalisation hypothesis (Helwig; Duch and Stevenson, 2008) – globalisation reduces the signal concerning the government handling of the economy – points to the fact that EU integration diminishes national government responsibility and accountability, while as the Hobolt and Tilley book argue, the EU at the same time is perceived responsible but not accountable. A paradox

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EP elections are considered second order elections, waged on domestic issues. While European issues - pro-contra integration and increasing EU competence – have been rarely entered party competition at national legislative elections. The A. argues that two conditions need to be met in order for the EU issue to become political relevant domestically: the issue must be salient in voters' agenda, and there must be partisan conflict over Europe. Data from National Election Studies in Netherlands, Germany, Denmark, UK in 1990s- 2000s.

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