

### Constitutionalism

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### Introduction

- For or Against Constitutional Democracy
- Legal Constitutionalism, and Constitutional Crisis
- Constitutional Courts until Accession to EU

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## **Czech Republic**

Value-Oriented Constitutionalism

 Constitutional State – Material Rechtsstaat – Formal Rechtsstaat – Fundamental Rights

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## **Czech Republic**

### • First (1993-2003) and Second (2003-2013) Terms:

- (1) agenda
- (2) comparison

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Hungary

- Democracy by Judiciary
- CC: Guardian of Tranformation
- Future-Oriented, or Prospective Constitutionalism



- Jurisprudence:
- (1) Dealing with the Past v. Social and Economic Reforms
- (2) Human Dignity and Fundamental Rights

Hungary

- Two-Thirds Majority of Fidesz
- New Constitution and Constitutional Changes
- Resentment against Legal Constitutionalism

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- Constitutional Tribunal (1985): Government's Helper
- New Constitution in 1997
- Case-Law: Rule of Law



- Kaczyński Brothers and CT
- Civic Platform and CT
- Current Issues

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### Constitutional Court's Case Law: Protecting the Rule of Law

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Accession to EU

### Constitutional Court's Case Law: Presidential, and Judiciary Cases

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### Common Origins v. Resulting Position

### Courts and Politics

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