

Poli 891
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Questions for Week 11 Nov 14

Readings: Pralle, Guiraudon.

1. Pralle shows that there are a lot of sunk costs associated with organizational skills and that organizations don't necessarily venue shop very efficiently. Discuss.
2. Discuss three things we learn from the greater depth of treatment of the empirics in Pralle that we would not learn from a less qualitative treatment.
3. Guiraudon adopts the concept of venue shopping to the EU. What do we learn from that?
4. How well do you think policymakers can predict the reception their issues will have if they are able to push them to a new venue?
5. How well do you think policymakers can control the venue in which their issue may be treated?
6. What are the implications of limits in points 4 and 5 above for studies of venue-shopping? Is it full-information rational, or is it messier than that? What are the implications if there is a lot of missing information?