

# Kritik und Reform der Demokratie im Denken F.A. Hayeks

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# Überblick

- Rekonstruktion der Demokratiekritik
- Kritische Würdigung
- Reformvorschläge
- Das Problem der Transition

# Hayeks kritische Diagnostik real existierender Demokratie

1. Massendemokratie gebiert Anspruchsinflation
2. Rational nutzenmaximierende politische Akteure gewähren bereitwillig Renten
3. Die Erosion des Rechtsstaatsideals ermöglicht unbegrenzte Interventionen

Folge: Legalisierte Diskriminierung und Entgrenzung der Demokratie

# Kritik der Kritik der Demokratie

- Ist die Vertretung von Partikularinteressen legitim?
- Ist Ungleichbehandlung per se normativ zu beanstanden?
- Leben wir in unbegrenzten Demokratien?
- Welche Funktion hat dieses Zerrbild?

# Reformvorschläge

- Restitution des Rechtsstaatsideals
- Genuiner Bikameralismus
- Allgemeine Gesetze
- Die Konstitution der Legislative

# Das Problem der Transition – oder: Wie lassen sich neoliberale Utopien realisieren

- Zwischen kultureller Evolution und Radikalreformismus
- Die Wiederbegrenzung unbegrenzter Demokratie
- Die Chile-Option
- Politik und Theorie
- Hayeks Dilemma



THE PRIME MINISTER

17 February 1982

My dear Professor Hayek,

Thank you for your letter of 5 February. I was very glad that you were able to attend the dinner so thoughtfully organised by Walter Salomon. It was not only a great pleasure for me, it was, as always, instructive and rewarding to hear your views on the great issues of our time.

I was aware of the remarkable success of the Chilean economy in reducing the share of Government expenditure substantially over the decade of the 70s. The progression from Allende's Socialism to the free enterprise capitalist economy of the 1980s is a striking example of economic reform from which we can learn many lessons.

However, I am sure you will agree that, in Britain with our democratic institutions and the need for a high degree of consent, some of the measures adopted in Chile are quite unacceptable. Our reform must be in line with our traditions and our Constitution. At times the process may seem painfully slow. But I am certain we shall achieve our reforms in our own way and in our own time. Then they will endure.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Professor Freidrich von Hayek