Take-Home Exam in POL 2014:

Comparative Politics Spring Semester 2020

**General information:**

The take-home exam will be sent to the candidates on Monday, 24 February 2020 at 09:00 a.m. The deadline for submitting the exam is Friday, 28 February 2020 at 15:00 (3 p.m.). The exam should be submitted in Inspera, with course code and title (POL 2014: Comparative Politics), a title to your paper, and a CANDIDATENUMBER (NO NAME!) and a WORD COUNT.

**Specific information:**

Choose **one** of the three exam questions to answer below. The paper ought to be between 3000-5000 words. Standard style is Times New Roman 12 point, 1.5 line-spacing, and references in the text as well as at the end of the paper. You are expected to draw on the assigned readings. You may cite additional references, including books, reviewed articles, reliable internet sources etc. You are allowed to speak to fellow students, and to contact your lecturer if you have questions concerning the exam-question: (charles.butcher@ntnu.no). Plagiarism or other types of cheating is strictly prohibited at NTNU. This policy applies to this take-home exam. Incidences of plagiarism could result in being expelled from NTNU.

Exam Questions:

1. **To what extent does modernization shape the prospects of sustainable democratization?**
2. **In 2019 both Algeria and the Sudan experienced mass protests and regime change.**

**Using a critical assessment of the theories from the course, what are the prospects for sustainable democracy in both of these cases?**

1. **To what extent are contemporary levels of democracy a product of religious factors?**