Country: Kosovo

Years: 2008-2013

Head of government: Hashim Thaçi

Ideology: right

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS identifies party as PDK. Sejdiu (2017) reports that the PDK self-identifies as rightist: “The PDK identifies as a center-right party and follows liberal economic policies and conservative social policies.” Perspective Monde (2019) identifies Thaci’s ideology as rightist. Balkan Insight (2010) identifies PDK as rightist, writing that “although the PDK originally had Socialist tendencies, including agreements with the Labour Party in the UK, it now sees its policies as firmly on the centre right”. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify executive party’s ideology as “Center” (-0.027) in 2007 and “Center” (-0.027) in 2010. In V-Party (2020), 3 experts identify executive party’s cohesion as “Negligible visible disagreement” in 2007 and “Some visible disagreement” in 2010. World Statesmen (2021) identifies Thaci’s party as PDK and writes, “PDK = Partia Demokratike e Kosoves (Democratic Party of Kosovo, center-left, Albanian nationalist, pro-independence, former PPDK, est. 2000).”

Years: 2014-2016

Head of government: Isa Mustafa

Ideology: right

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS does not identify head of government. Political Handbook of the World (2015: 802) identifies Mustafa’s party as LDK. Sejdiu (2017) reports that the LDK identifies itself as rightist: “According to the second article of the LDK’s charter, it is a center right party.” Perspective Monde (2019) identifies Mustafa’s ideology as rightist. Balkan Insight (2010) identifies LDK as rightist, writing that “its policies are broadly centre-right”. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify executive party’s ideology as “Center-right” (0.987) in 2014.

Year: 2017-2019

Head of government: Ramush Haradinaj

Ideology: right

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS does not identify head of government. Radio Free Europe (2017) identifies Haradinaj’s party as AAK. Malazogu, Leon, and Gautam (2014) classify AAK as rightist. “AAK is also considered belonging to the centre-right. In the economic sphere, they strongly supported methods of stimulating the economy such as privatisation of companies and the reduction of taxes.” Perspective Monde (2019) identifies Haradinaj’s ideology as rightist. Balkan Insight (2010) identifies AAK as rightist, writing that “ideologically, AAK is centre-right”. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify executive party’s ideology as “Center-right” (0.854) in 2017 and “Center-right” (1.163) in 2019. DPI has no information on Kosovo.

Year: 2020

Head of government: Avdullah Hoti

Ideology: right

Description: Varities of Democracy identifies party affiliation as Democratic League of Kosovo (LDK). World Statesmen identifies executive’s party affiliation as LDK (Lidhja Demokratike e Kosoves (Democratic League of Kosovo, social democratic, Albanian centrist, est. 23 Dec 1989). In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify executive party’s ideology as “Center-right” (0.987) in 2019. Sejdiu (2017) reports that the LDK identifies itself as rightist: “According to the second article of the LDK’s charter, it is a center right party.” Balkan Insight (2010) identifies LDK as rightist, writing that “its policies are broadly centre-right”. DPI has no information on Kosovo.

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