

## A Certain Idea of Europe (Cornell Studies in Political Economy) PDF



**Download**



**Read Online**

A Certain Idea of Europe (Cornell Studies in Political Economy) by Craig Parsons ISBN 0801472962

The quasi-federal European Union stands out as the major exception in the thinly institutionalized world of international politics. Something has led Europeans-and only Europeans-beyond the nation-state to a fundamentally new political architecture. Craig Parsons argues in *A Certain Idea of Europe* that this "something" was a particular set of ideas generated in Western Europe after the Second World War. In Parsons's view, today's European Union reflects the ideological (and perhaps visionary) project of an elite minority. His book traces the progressive victory of this project in France, where the battle over European institutions erupted most divisively. Drawing on archival research and extensive interviews with French policymakers, the author carefully traces a fifty-year conflict between radically different European plans. Only through aggressive leadership did the

advocates of a supranational "community" Europe succeed at building the EU and binding their opponents within it. Parsons puts the causal impact of ideas, and their binding effects through institutions, at the center of his book. In so doing he presents a strong logic of "social construction"-a sharp departure from other accounts of EU history that downplay the role of ideas and ideology.

## **A Certain Idea of Europe (Cornell Studies in Political Economy) Review**

This A Certain Idea of Europe (Cornell Studies in Political Economy) book is not really ordinary book, you have it then the world is in your hands. The benefit you get by reading this book is actually information inside this reserve incredible fresh, you will get information which is getting deeper an individual read a lot of information you will get. This kind of A Certain Idea of Europe (Cornell Studies in Political Economy) without we recognize teach the one who looking at it become critical in imagining and analyzing. Don't be worry A Certain Idea of Europe (Cornell Studies in Political Economy) can bring any time you are and not make your tote space or bookshelves' grow to be full because you can have it inside your lovely laptop even cell phone. This A Certain Idea of Europe (Cornell Studies in Political Economy) having great arrangement in word and layout, so you will not really feel uninterested in reading.