State and Nation Making in Latin America and Spain

In 1960, Latin America and Spain had the same level of economic and social development, but, in just twenty years, Spain raced ahead. This book provides an in-depth analysis of the design and implementation of developmental state policies in both regions and examines the significant variance in success between Latin America and Spain. The second volume in a trilogy, this collection of studies on state institutions in Latin America and Spain covers the period 1930–1990 and focuses on the successes and failures of the developmental states. This book assumes a wide social science perspective on the phenomenon of the developmental state, focusing on the design, creation and management of public institutions, as well as the creation of national projects and political identities related to development strategies.

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In memory of Juan J. Linz
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Preface

This book represents the next stage of a long friendship and scholarly collaboration. Published in 2013, the first volume of our project on state and nation making in Latin America and Spain examined states and nations during the long “liberal era” from 1810 to 1930. The present, second volume of the collection, continues the story of state building in the Hispanic–American world through 1990, focusing on state institutions and economic and social development. We hope to spend the next five years completing the collection with a third volume on the neoliberal state, from 1990 to the present.

The fundamental inspiration for the comparison between Spain and Latin America came from one of the co-editors’ teachers, Juan Linz. His commitment to scholarship and his fruitful comparative perspectives still motivate many, and we only hope that he would approve of this book.

We were very lucky to find such an outstanding group of collaborators. Anyone who has ever planned a series of conferences knows how difficult it can be to identify attendees and then count on them to produce solid scholarship and generous discussion. We received some “nos” to our initial queries, but mostly “yesses” and were delighted when practically everyone showed up at Princeton in the fall of 2015. By this time, the papers were already well developed and the meeting began to progress as much more of a bottom-up enterprise than we had hoped. The result was a much better conference than we could have imagined and much enthusiasm for a second meeting at Princeton in 2017. The contributors once again demonstrated great patience as we asked for further and further revisions and additions to the chapters and tried to find a publisher for a book that was quite long by today’s standards.

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