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# FEMALE REPRESENTATION IN POLITICS: The Impact of the Candidate Selection Process



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How do candidate selection processes affect women's representation in politics? Some scholars argue that primaries benefit women candidates, others claim the opposite. Drawing on her broad expertise in comparative politics and democratic institutions, Professor Shomer investigates this question by drawing on party level data from eight legislative terms of the Israeli Knesset. She shows that that primaries initially benefit women candidates. However, these benefits are offset by the ways party leaders use partisan protective mechanisms.

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