**Working Paper CLIO-INFRA: Competitiveness of Participation**

1. Title

 - Competitiveness of Participation (PARCOMP)

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 - 1st version.

5. Variable group(s)

 - Institutions

6. Variable(s)

 - Regulation of Participation, 1 - Unregulated (Political participation is fluid; there are no enduring national political organizations and no systematic regime controls on political activity), 2 -Multiple Identity (There are relatively stable and enduring political groups which compete

for political influence at the national level–parties, regional groups, or ethnic groups, not

necessarily elected–but there are few, recognized overlapping (common) interests), 3 - Sectarian (Political demands are characterized by incompatible interests and intransigent posturing among multiple identity groups and oscillate more or less regularly between intense factionalism and government favoritism), 4 - Restricted: Some organized political participation is permitted without intense factionalism but significant groups, issues, and/or types of conventional participation are

regularly excluded from the political process, 5 - Regulated: Relatively stable and enduring political groups regularly compete for political influence and positions with little use of coercion

Other codes: -66 – interruption period (e.g. occupation by foreign forces), -77 – interregnum period (collapse of central authority), -88 –transition period (a period within new institutions, policies are introduced)

7. Unit of analysis

 - dimensionless, multi-nominal scale

8. Keywords

 - democracy, politics, institutions, polityIV

9. Abstract (200 words)

- A component of the polityIV measure.

10. Time period

 - 1800-2010

11. Geographical coverage

 - 164 countries

12. Methodologies used for data collection and processing

- Secondary literature and expert judgement.

13. Data quality

 iii. Estimates

 iv. Conjectures

14. Period of collection

 n.a.

15. Data collectors

 n.a.

16. Sources

As specified in

<http://www.systemicpeace.org/inscr/p4manualv2012.pdf>

17. Text

For further information or links to the original data please visit the institutions hub of the CLIO-INFRA: <http://www.cgeh.nl/institutions-hub> or visit the polityIV project website at <http://www.systemicpeace.org/inscr/inscr.htm>