



The Rise of the Outsiders: How Mainstream Politics Lost its Way (Paperback)

By Steve Richards

ATLANTIC BOOKS, United Kingdom, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Export/Airside. Language: English . Brand New Book. Politics in the West has become unpredictable and tumultuous. In recent years, voters have deserted the political centre like never before. Whether it s Trump, Brexit, Le Pen, Tsipras, or even Corbyn, why have outsiders and populists flourished on far left and far right? Why is the political landscape shifting so rapidly? In this landmark book, celebrated political commentator Steve Richards provides a clear and penetrating analysis of the biggest political story of the past fifty years. He argues that despite charismatic outsiders dominating the headlines, the real answers lie in the failure of the mainstream to evolve in a world still suffering the fallout of the financial crash in 2008. Exploring factors from globalization and a changing media to rising immigration and stagnant wages, he reveals just why confidence in conventional politics is at an all-time low - and why many voters (wrongly) see mainstream politicians as self-interested and aloof. And what of the outsiders themselves? Analysing their record so far, Richards argues that the reasons for their success also sow the seeds of their eventual demise. If they do gain power, they inevitably...



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