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Here is the latest news from the QoG Institute.

“GOOD GOVERNMENT” – NEW BOOK EDITED BY SÖREN HOLMBERG & BO ROTHSTEIN (Edward Elgar Publishing)

In all societies, the quality of government institutions is of the utmost importance for the well-being of its citizens. Problems like high infant mortality, lack of access to safe water, unhappiness and poverty are not primarily caused by a lack of technical equipment, effective medicines or other types of knowledge generated by the natural or engineering sciences. Instead, the critical problem is that the majority of the world’s population live in societies that have dysfunctional government institutions. Central issues discussed in the book include: how can good government be conceptualized and measured, what are the effects of ‘bad government’ and how can the quality of government be improved?

Good Government will prove invaluable for students in political science, public policy and public administration. Researchers in political science and the social sciences, as well as policy analysts working in government, international and independent policy organizations will also find plenty to interest them in this resourceful compendium.

NOTE: Special pre-order price of just **£35.00**. Read more about it [here](#).

NEW PUBLICATIONS

[“Does regime type matter for the impact of democracy aid on democracy?”](#) by Agnes Cornell (in Democratization)

["Governance and Institutional Flexibility"](#) by Jon Pierre (in David Levi-Faur (ed.). Oxford Handbook of Governance)

[“Good Governance”](#) by Bo Rothstein (in David Levi-Faur (ed.). Oxford Handbook of Governance)

["Leder demokratibistånd till demokratisering?"](#) by Agnes Cornell & Jan Teorell (SADEV Report 2012:1.6)

NEW WORKING PAPERS

2012:4 "[Taxation, Democracy and State-Building: how does sequencing matter?](#)" by Michelle D'Arcy

2012:3 "[Delivering stability – Primogeniture and autocratic survival in European monarchies 1000-1800](#)" by Andrej Kokkonen & Anders Sundell

Best regards,
the QoG Team