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“BREXIT, THE 2017 BRITISH GENERAL ELECTION AND BEYOND”

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On June 23, 2016 the British electorate stunned political observers around the world by voting in a national referendum to leave the European Union. Then, in the May 2017 general election the many economic and political uncertainties created by the historic “Brexit” decision were magnified when voters denied Prime Minister Theresa May and her Conservative government a parliamentary majority. Using data from his national surveys of the British electorate and thousands of activists in Britain’s ring-wing populist UKIP Party, Professor Harold Clarke discusses the forces that shaped the choices voters made in the EU referendum and the 2017 election and what the future may hold as the Brexit negotiations unfold.



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