The Dynamics of Succession in the Argentine Partido Justicialista

All political parties, either classic or charismatic, have to deal with at least two challenges in order to survive: their programs have to adapt to the times to be electorally competitive and they have to define their internal organization, determine their leadership. This paper will explore how the second issue was resolved by the Argentine Partido Justicialista after the death of its leader. It has two objectives: first, to examine the different means through which the party sought to resolve this problem and second, to compare the features of this process with those of Perú’s APRA (Alianza Popular Revolucionaria Americana) and the Gaullist UNR (Union pour la Nouvelle Republique).