***Appendix***

1. **Parties in Belgium**

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| Flanders |
| *Party* | *General ideology* |
| CD&V | Christian democrats |
| Groen | Green party |
| Open VLD | Liberal right |
| N-VA | Nationalistic right |
| PVDA | (Far) Left, socialist |
| sp.a | Social democrats |
| Vlaams Belang | Radical right, anti-immigration |

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| Wallonia |
| *Party* | *General ideology* |
| cdH | Christian democrats |
| Défi | Center, francophone interests |
| Ecolo | Green party |
| MR | Liberal right |
| PS | Social democrats |
| PTB | (Far) Left, socialist |

**B. Mean social distance scores, Flanders**

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| **Social distance** | **About supporters of** |  |  |
|  | PVDA | sp.a | Groen | CD&V | VLD | N-VA | VB | Flemish | Walloon |
| **Voted for** | PVDA | 7,1 | 6,5 | 6,1 | 5,8 | 5 | 3,9 | 2,9 | 7,1 | 6.7 |
| (n=133) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| sp.a | 5,7 | 7,2 | 6,2 | 6 | 5,3 | 4,2 | 3,2 | 7,4 | 6,9 |
| (n=205) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Groen | 6,1 | 6,6 | 7,5 | 6,3 | 5,8 | 4,4 | 2,3 | 7,3 | 6,9 |
| (n=171) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CD&V | 4,9 | 5,6 | 6,3 | 7,6 | 6 | 5,7 | 3,4 | 8,2 | 6,9 |
| (n=198) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| VLD | 4,7 | 5,1 | 5,7 | 5,9 | 7 | 5,4 | 3,6 | 7,5 | 6,5 |
| (n=168) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| N-VA | 4 | 4,4 | 4,7 | 5,6 | 6,1 | 7,3 | 5,3 | 8,2 | 6 |
| (n=509) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| VB | 4,3 | 4,2 | 4 | 4,9 | 4,8 | 5,7 | 7,2 | 8 | 5,5 |
| (n=388) |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

Note: Bright green cells display the highest score in a row, red cells display the lowest score in a row.

1. **Mean social distance scores, Wallonia**

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| **Social distance** | **About supporters of** |  |  |
| **Voted for** |   | PTB | PS | Ecolo | cdH | Défi | MR | Walloon | Flemish |
| PTB | 6,7 | 5 | 4,8 | 4,6 | 4,8 | 3,9 | 6,8 | 5,6 |
| (n=186) |
| PS | 5,2 | 6,7 | 5,5 | 5,3 | 5,4 | 4,7 | 6,8 | 5,7 |
| (n=278) |
| Ecolo | 4,4 | 5,2 | 6,9 | 5,5 | 5,3 | 5,2 | 6,8 | 6,2 |
| (n=216) |
| cdH | 4,5 | 5,1 | 5,4 | 6,6 | 5,5 | 5,1 | 6,7 | 5,6 |
| (n=89) |
| Défi | 4,3 | 5 | 5,4 | 5,4 | 6,3 | 5 | 7 | 5,6 |
| (n=83) |
| MR | 3,3 | 3,8 | 5 | 5,4 | 5,2 | 7 | 7 | 6,6 |
| (n=240) |

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1. **Models with social distance as dependent variable**

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|   | **Model 2 b(SE)** | **Model 3 b(SE)** | **Model 7 b(SE)** | **Model 8 b(SE)** |
| Subjective ideological distance | -.392\*\*\* | -.200\*\*\* |  |  |
|   | (.007) | (.021) |  |  |
| Objective ideological distance |  |  | -.563\*\*\* | -.160\*\*\* |
|   |  |  | (.014) | (.042) |
| Party identity strength | -.002 | .064\*\*\* | .004 | .091\*\*\* |
|   | (.014) | (.016) | (.014) | (.018) |
| Party identity stability | -.259\*\*\* | -.152\* | -.333\*\*\* | -.089 |
|   | (.081) | (.091) | (.082) | (.099) |
| Ideological extremity | .208\*\*\* | .208\*\*\* | .342\*\*\* | .335\*\*\* |
|   | (.026) | (.026) | (.028) | (.028) |
| Political interest | .091\*\*\* | .091\*\*\* | .068\*\*\* | .069\*\*\* |
|   | (.015) | (.015) | (.015) | (.015) |
| Subjective ideological distance\* |  | -.042\*\*\* |  |  |
|  Party identity strength |  | (.015) |  |  |
| Subjective ideological distance\* |  | -.02\*\*\* |  |  |
|  Party identity stability |  | (.002) |  |  |
| Objective ideological distance\* |  |  |  | -.125\*\*\* |
|  Party identity strength |  |  |  | (.027) |
| Objective ideological distance\* |  |  |  | -.038\*\*\* |
|  Party identity stability |  |  |  | (.005) |
| Female | -.021 | -.024 | -.001 | -.003 |
|   | (.077) | (.078) | (.078) | (.078) |
| Education (ref=low) |  |  |  |  |
| *Middle* | -.094 | -.115 | -.122 | -.137 |
|   | (.122) | (.122) | (.123) | (.123) |
| *High* | .165 | .140 | .086 | .062 |
|   | (.12) | (.12) | (.121) | (.121) |
| Age | -.014\*\*\* | -.014\*\*\* | -.017\*\*\* | -.016\*\*\* |
|   | (.002) | (.002) | (.002) | (.002) |
| Constant | 6.585\*\*\* | 6.029\*\*\* | 6.757\*\*\* | 5.917\*\*\* |
|   | (.231) | (.238) | (.233) | (.248) |
| $$σ\_{voter}$$ | 1.783\*\*\* | 1.789\*\*\* | 1.800\*\*\* | 1.805\*\*\* |
| $$σ\_{residual}$$ | 1.649\*\*\* | 1.643\*\*\* | 1.726\*\*\* | 1.781\*\*\* |
| **N(observations)** | 15833 | 15833 | 15946 | 15946 |
| **N(voters)** | 2821 | 2821 | 2841 | 2841 |
| \*p<.05 \*\*p<.01; fixed effects for parties not depicted |
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