

Summary

The aim of the study is to analyze and interpret, from the point of view of select concepts of political pluralism, the live issue in Polish reality that is the socio-political division “solidary Poland – liberal Poland”.

The dissertation is based upon three general research goals: the reconstruction and analysis of the most up-to-date political concepts pertaining to political pluralism; application of the select concepts of political pluralism to the analysis of the division “solidary Poland – liberal Poland”; the attempt to create a theoretical cornerstone for considering political dilemmas related to the aforementioned division. The dissertation pertains to the contemporary, within Polish conditions, socio-political division. It also fits into the musings of political philosophy and political theory of pluralism and the challenges that lie before it.

A thesis is posed that contemporary concepts of pluralism, and in particular: 1) Víctor M. Muñoz-Fraticelli’s parallel structure thesis, 2) the concept of hyper-pluralism within multivariate democratic polity and 3) reflexive pluralism (both of Alessandro Ferrara), as well as William E. Connolly’s theory of pluralism may provide an effective depiction and interpretation of the socio-political division currently existing in Poland.

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