# Populism and Technocracy in Europe

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### **Beyond 'post-truth politics'**

- Post-truth politics: distrust of experts and indifference to facts
- More fundamental question:

How does the rise of populism influence the relationship between élite policy-making and popular politics?

• Implications for governance

 Loyalty, accountability
Delegation, autonomy
Élite policypolicypolitics

• Public bureaucracies

making

- Expertise
- Responsibility

- Political parties ++
- Will of the people
- Responsiveness

## The Italian model



#### The Irish model





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#### The EU model





#### The Northern European model

