

# **La democrazia come procedura illuminata: interessi, istituzioni e criticità epistemiche**

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*Democracy as Enlightened Procedure: Interests, Institutions, and Epistemic Issues*

*Abstract:* The idea that democracy's legitimacy is fully expressed by understanding it as an "enlightened procedure" evokes an inverted funnel that, in its final stretch, widens toward further and necessary explorations. This contribution addresses three such questions by engaging with the observations formulated by Enrico Biale and Maria Borrello. The article focuses, in particular, on the role of interests (section 1), the institutionalization of enlightened proceduralism (section 2), and facts and rationality in democracy (section 3).

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