Having won government office at the 2014 Hungarian national elections, Fidesz obstructed institutional checks on the state’s power, imposing a single-party state model on the technocrats who submitted to party discipline. In a new analysis, Bálint Magyar shows how the system’s state enterprises and political institutions are seen as metaphorical mafia chaebols, into its structure immune from coercion, even if subjected to parliamentary and tax authority scrutiny. The innovative book is important not only for Hungary but also for other post-communist states.
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