

Appendix 1: The Multi-Level Regression Models

Variable	Main model (Figure 2)	Robustness checks
Leader: First	0.33** (0.08)	
Leader: Competitiveness	0.13* (0.06)	
Leader: Party experience	0.13* (0.06)	
Leader: Public office	0.05 (0.07)	
Party: Incumbency	-0.05 (0.07)	
Party: Electoral loss	0.08 (0.06)	
Leader: Scandals		-0.12 (0.06)
Leader: Age		0.01 (0.06)
Leader: Gender		0.02 (0.06)
Party: Incomplete term		-0.09 (0.07)
Party: Size		-0.02 (0.06)
Party: Age		-0.25** (0.09)
Wald chi ²	26.53	13.27
Log likelihood	-20.22	-25.21

Note: Level 1: party leaders' term in office; Level 2: Political parties

**p<0.01; *p<0.05. Standard errors in parentheses