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- "Crisis of Participation"
- Internet as Alternative Media
- Power of the Netizen
- Change of the Political Culture

Political Parties 1948-2000



Internet Access June 2002

70% of Households
25.6 Million Internet Users
(out of total population of 45 Mill.)
62.2% of Internet of them use the Internet everyday, average more then two ours per day

3 Big Internet Events 2002 in Korea

"Red Demons" during the FIFA World Cup June 2002

"Candle Demonstration" November 2002

Presidential Election December 2002

"red demons" on Seoul City Hall plaza

June 2002, during the FIFA Worldcup 2002



Candle demonstration on Seoul City Hall plaza November 2002



Election Party of Supporters for Roh Moo Hyun on Seoul City Hall Plaza, Dec. 19th 2002



3 Major Newspapers

Chosun Ilbo

Donga Ilbo

Jungang Ilbo

3 Major Internet Newspaper

www.ohmynews.com

www.presian.com

www.jabo.co.kr



June 2002 found first Fan-Club for Politician e-community www.nosamo.org

Homepage Roh Moo Hyuns

www.knowhow.or.kr