



# Civil Leadership as the Future of Leadership

Our societies, institutions and social fabric are currently in the early stages of the third revolution of humanity. Disruption is not restricted to markets. The same technologies that cause and fuel it, are giving citizens more knowledge and information, more public and political influence, and tools to organize themselves and so (threaten to) disrupt politics, democracy and public services. This totally transforms public opinion and political debate.

Using multiple examples from across the globe, this book explores, analyzes and defines this revolution as the #DigitalCivilRevolution, its impact, the underlying technology and trends, as well as the special kind of civil leadership needed to harness this new citizen power.

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The new strategic context can be summarized in: #battle-fortheeyeballs; #directchannelofcitizens; #permanent-publicgrandstand; #battleforpublicauthority and #swarm-behaviour. The new civil leadership can be summarized in: #oneofuscitizens; #rhetoricalsills; #publicvaluepassion; #entrepreneurial and #practicalwisdom.

His dissertation (2014) conceptualized civil leadership and researched civil leaders' values patterns in the different private-sector contexts. He launched one of the first think tanks in the Netherlands, Public SPACE, which aims to stimulate active citizenship and social entrepreneurship.

At the ILA conference Steven de Waal will lecture and hopes for an inspiring debate on Thursday, 21 October, 12:20-13:00 CEST. His theme will be the battle between the right character and values on one side versus followership and rhetorical skills on the other: will this modern battle lead to the right, civil leadership?

'Civil Leadership as the Future of Leadership' by Steven P.M. de Waal is available as e-book and paperback on [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) and in local (online) bookstores worldwide. A summary can be obtained at [www.publicspace.eu](http://www.publicspace.eu)

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