Online Appendix

Table A1: Parties Considered as Being Far Right

Alleanza Nazionale^{*} Alternativa Sociale Mussolini^{*} Azione Sociale Mussolini^{*} Casapound Italia Fiamma Tricolore Forza Nuova Fratelli d'Italia La Destra^{*} Lega Nord Lega Salvini Premier Movimento Sociale Tricolore Movimento Sociale Italiano - Destra Nazionale^{*} Noi Con Salvini

Notes: *Parties that were not active after 2011, but may have participated in municipal elections in the time span 2000-2010, which is used to check the parallel trends assumption and the exclusion restriction (see Figure 3, Figure A2, Figure A3, and Table A9).

	SPRAR	No SPRAR	
Variable	Mean	Mean	Difference
Has Group Accom. Building	$0.484 \\ (0.018)$	$0.391 \\ (0.006)$	0.093*** [0.019]
Is in Mountain Area	$\begin{array}{c} 0.317 \ (0.465) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.279 \\ (0.448) \end{array}$	0.038^{**} [0.017]
Is in Coastal Area	$\begin{array}{c} 0.144 \\ (0.351) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.110 \ (0.313) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.034^{***} \\ [0.012] \end{array}$
Is in Flat-Land Area	$\begin{array}{c} 0.272 \\ (0.445) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.281 \\ (0.450) \end{array}$	-0.009 $[0.017]$
Provincial Capital	$\begin{array}{c} 0.031 \ (0.172) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.011 \\ (0.104) \end{array}$	0.020^{***} [0.004]
Kms. from Regional Capital	$82.00 \\ (55.72)$	$89.20 \\ (49.92)$	-7.21*** [1.90]
Hosts First-Level Center	$\begin{array}{c} 0.009 \\ (0.092) \end{array}$	$0.004 \\ (0.061)$	0.005* [0.002]
Nonprofits Per Capita	$\begin{array}{c} 0.006 \ (0.008) \end{array}$	$0.006 \\ (0.005)$	$0.000 \\ [0.000]$
Population	$9695 \\ (18201)$	$7126 \\ (44908)$	$2569 \\ [1589]$
Log Population	$8.240 \\ (1.376)$	$7.806 \\ (1.302)$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.435^{***} \\ [0.049] \end{array}$
Population Density	$362.0 \\ (723.4)$	$288.2 \\ (562.5)$	73.7*** [21.8]
Average Age	$44.18 \\ (3.33)$	$44.59 \\ (3.63)$	-0.417*** [0.134]
% With High-School Education	$\begin{array}{c} 0.286 \ (0.042) \end{array}$	$0.281 \\ (0.045)$	0.005^{***} [0.002]
Unemployment Rate	$10.42 \\ (6.062)$	$10.31 \\ (6.164)$	$0.110 \\ [0.230]$
Income Per Capita	$12403 \\ (11823)$	11866 (8713.1)	537.7 $[340.7]$
% Foreign Residents	$\begin{array}{c} 0.064 \\ (0.053) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.066 \\ (0.060) \end{array}$	-0.002 [0.002]
% Workforce Agriculture	$\begin{array}{c} 0.091 \\ (0.089) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.091 \\ (0.085) \end{array}$	-0.001 [-0.003]
% Workforce Industry	$\begin{array}{c} 0.304 \\ (0.104) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.317 \ (0.109) \end{array}$	-0.014*** [0.004]
% Workforce Tourism	$\begin{array}{c} 0.182 \\ (0.042) \end{array}$	$0.186 \\ (0.049)$	-0.004** [0.002]

Table A2: Descriptive Statistics by Group, Geographic and Socioeconomic Variables

Notes: Variables refer to the 2011 Census. The *SPRAR* indicator is equal to 1 only for the 816 municipalities that opened a SPRAR after their municipal election for the 2011-2015 round and before the one for the 2016-2020 round. Standard deviations in parentheses in columns (1) and (2), standard errors in brackets in column (3). *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1, based on two-tailed tests.

	SPRAR	No SPRAR	
Variable	Mean	Mean	Difference
Far-Right Competed	$\begin{array}{c} 0.169 \\ (0.375) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.173 \ (0.378) \end{array}$	-0.004 [0.014]
Far-Right Vote Share	$\begin{array}{c} 0.037 \\ (0.103) \end{array}$	$0.046 \\ (0.126)$	-0.008* [0.005]
% Far-Right 2008 National Election	$0.027 \\ (0.014)$	$0.027 \\ (0.015)$	$0.000 \\ [0.000]$
Incumbent Male	$0.888 \\ (0.315)$	$0.889 \\ (0.314)$	-0.000 [0.012]
Incumbent Age	50.31 (9.481)	49.92 (9.933)	0.389 [0.368]
Incumbent Has College Education	$\begin{array}{c} 0.473 \ (0.500) \end{array}$	$0.432 \\ (0.495)$	0.041** [0.018]
Incumbent Margin of Victory	$22.00 \\ (17.65)$	20.65 (18.34)	1.35* [0.701]
Incumbent Faces Term Limit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.330 \ (0.470) \end{array}$	$0.362 \\ (0.481)$	-0.033* [0.018]
Far-Left Incumbent	$\begin{array}{c} 0.001 \ (0.035) \end{array}$	$0.001 \\ (0.026)$	0.001 [0.001]
Left-Wing Incumbent	$\begin{array}{c} 0.172 \ (0.377) \end{array}$	$0.105 \\ (0.306)$	0.067*** [0.012]
Independent Incumbent	$0.722 \\ (0.448)$	$0.762 \\ (0.426)$	-0.040** [0.016]
Right-Wing Incumbent	$\begin{array}{c} 0.107 \\ (0.309) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.133 \ (0.340) \end{array}$	-0.026** [0.013]
Far-Right Incumbent	$0.022 \\ (0.147)$	$0.046 \\ (0.210)$	-0.024*** [0.008]

Table A3: Descriptive Statistics by Group, Political Variables

Notes: Except for the 2008 far-right vote share, all variables are referred to the 2011-2015 round of municipal elections, or to the incumbent mayor following that election. The SPRAR indicator is equal to 1 only for the 816 municipalities that opened a SPRAR after their municipal election for the 2011-2015 round and before the one for the 2016-2020 round. Standard deviations in parentheses in columns (1) and (2), standard errors in brackets in column (3). *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1, based on two-tailed tests.

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS
Post	-0.016^{*} (0.009)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.128^{***} \\ (0.036) \end{array}$	$0.048 \\ (0.067)$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.825^{***} \\ (0.250) \end{array}$	-0.065 (0.073)	0.589^{**} (0.257)
$SPRAR \times Post$	-0.051^{***} (0.012)	-1.773^{***} (0.368)	-0.042^{***} (0.011)	-1.283^{***} (0.313)	-0.035^{***} (0.012)	-1.081^{***} (0.335)
1st Stage Coef.		0.041***		0.039***		0.032***
1st Stage F-Stat.		55.5		42.2		26.6
Municipality FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year×Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mun. Controls \times Post	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mayor Controls×Post	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	13,782	13,780	$13,\!176$	$13,\!176$	12,384	12,384

Table A4: Refugee Centers and Far Left Running in Municipal Elections

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one far-left party competing in municipality i at election t. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality i is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the municipal level in parentheses. *** p < 0.01, ** p < 0.05, * p < 0.1.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS
Post	-0.058^{***} (0.010)	-0.030^{*} (0.018)	-0.114 (0.082)	$0.083 \\ (0.147)$	-0.117 (0.091)	$0.000 \\ (0.171)$
$SPRAR \times Post$	-0.020^{*} (0.011)	-0.355^{**} (0.173)	-0.017 (0.011)	-0.332^{*} (0.193)	-0.019^{*} (0.012)	-0.206 (0.233)
1st Stage Coef.		0.041***		0.039***		0.032***
1st Stage F-Stat.		55.5		42.2		26.6
Municipality FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year×Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mun. Controls \times Post	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mayor Controls×Post	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	13,782	13,780	$13,\!176$	$13,\!176$	$12,\!384$	$12,\!384$

Table A5: Refugee Centers and Left Running in Municipal Elections

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one leftwing party competing in municipality *i* at election *t*. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality *i* is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the municipal level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS
Post	-0.068^{***} (0.013)	-0.001 (0.026)	$0.082 \\ (0.097)$	0.509^{**} (0.211)	$0.019 \\ (0.110)$	0.544^{**} (0.276)
$SPRAR \times Post$	-0.006 (0.014)	-0.801^{***} (0.267)	-0.010 (0.014)	-0.690^{**} (0.282)	-0.013 (0.015)	-0.855^{**} (0.379)
1st Stage Coef.		0.041***		0.039***		0.032***
1st Stage F-Stat.		55.5		42.2		26.6
Municipality FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year×Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mun. Controls \times Post	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mayor Controls×Post	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	13,782	13,780	$13,\!176$	$13,\!176$	$12,\!384$	$12,\!384$

Table A6: Refugee Centers and Five-Star Movement Running in Municipal Elections

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one 5-Star Movement list competing in municipality *i* at election *t*. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality *i* is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the municipal level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS
Post	-0.010 (0.007)	0.019^{*} (0.011)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.054 \\ (0.048) \end{array}$	0.226^{**} (0.089)	$0.024 \\ (0.053)$	0.173^{*} (0.099)
$SPRAR \times Post$	-0.006 (0.008)	-0.353^{***} (0.119)	-0.006 (0.008)	-0.281^{**} (0.116)	-0.007 (0.008)	-0.245^{*} (0.134)
1st Stage Coef.		0.041***		0.039***		0.032***
Ist Stage F-Stat.		55.5		42.2		26.6
Municipality FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year \times Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mun. Controls \times Post	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mayor Controls×Post	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	13,782	13,780	$13,\!176$	$13,\!176$	$12,\!384$	$12,\!384$

Table A7: Refugee Centers and Independents Running in Municipal Elections

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one independent list competing in municipality i at election t. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality i is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the municipal level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS
Post	-0.013 (0.011)	-0.062^{**} (0.024)	-0.053 (0.116)	-0.336 (0.213)	$0.037 \\ (0.127)$	-0.231 (0.255)
$SPRAR \times Post$	-0.002 (0.013)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.583^{**} \\ (0.250) \end{array}$	-0.002 (0.013)	$0.450 \\ (0.274)$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.001 \\ (0.014) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.430 \\ (0.346) \end{array}$
1st Stage Coef.		0.041***		0.039***		0.032***
1st Stage F-Stat.		55.5		42.2		26.6
Municipality FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year×Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mun. Controls $\times \mathrm{Post}$	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mayor Controls×Post	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	13,782	13,780	$13,\!176$	$13,\!176$	$12,\!384$	12,384

Table A8: Refugee Centers and Right Running in Municipal Elections

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one right-wing party competing in municipality i at election t. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality i is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the municipal level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	After 2011	After 2011	After 2011	Before 2011	Before 2011	Before 2011
Post	-0.030^{**} (0.012)	$0.140 \\ (0.114)$	0.276^{**} (0.124)	-0.005 (0.018)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.151 \\ (0.113) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.145 \\ (0.130) \end{array}$
Group Accom. \times Post	$\begin{array}{c} 0.066^{***} \\ (0.009) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.057^{***} \\ (0.010) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.044^{***} \\ (0.010) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.016 \\ (0.011) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.013 \\ (0.012) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.014 \\ (0.012) \end{array}$
Municipality FEs Mun. Controls×Post Mayor Controls×Post Observations	Yes No No 13,778	Yes Yes No 13,174	Yes Yes Yes 12,382	Yes No No 12,138	Yes Yes No 11,320	Yes Yes Yes 10,452

Table A9: Exclusion Restriction - Reduced Form Before and After 2011

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one far-right party competing in municipality *i* at election *t*. Columns from (1) to (3) use observations from the 2011-2015 and 2016-2020 electoral rounds, whereas columns from (4) to (6) use observations from the 2001-2005 and 2006-2010 electoral rounds. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality *i* is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, and % workforce in the industrial sector. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. Robust standard errors clustered at the municipal level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Probit	IVProbit	Probit	IVProbit	Probit	IVProbit
Post	-0.266 (0.371)	-0.396^{***} (0.050)	-3.015 (3.193)	-2.315^{***} (0.513)	-0.745 (3.476)	-2.224^{***} (0.567)
$SPRAR \times Post$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.921^{***} \\ (0.330) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 4.330^{***} \\ (0.073) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.448 \\ (0.385) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 4.241^{***} \\ (0.125) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.595 \ (0.383) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 4.280^{***} \\ (0.125) \end{array}$
1st Stage Coef.		0.041***		0.039***		0.032***
Municipality FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year×Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mun. Controls $\times \mathrm{Post}$	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mayor Controls×Post	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	$1,\!890$	13,779	1,828	$13,\!175$	1,774	$11,\!871$

 Table A10: Refugee Centers and Far Right Running in Municipal Elections,

 Probit Regression Models

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one farright party competing in municipality i at election t. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality i is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. Robust standard errors clustered at the municipal level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS
Post	-0.029^{*} (0.016)	-0.223^{*} (0.118)	-0.023 (0.131)	-0.618 (0.404)	$0.079 \\ (0.141)$	-0.444 (0.421)
$SPRAR \times Post$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.019 \\ (0.014) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.748^{***} \\ (0.580) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.017 \\ (0.014) \end{array}$	2.124^{**} (0.963)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.018 \\ (0.015) \end{array}$	1.995^{*} (1.073)
1st Stage Coef.		0.028***		0.021**		0.018**
1st Stage F-Stat.		27.6		13.0		9.4
Municipality FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Province×Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year×Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mun. Controls \times Post	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mayor Controls×Post	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	13,780	13,778	13,174	13,174	12,382	12,382

 Table A11: Refugee Centers and Far Right Running in Municipal Elections,

 Province-Specific Trends

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one far-right party competing in municipality i at election t. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality i is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the municipal level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS
-0.009 (0.013)	-0.137^{***} (0.051)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.144 \\ (0.158) \end{array}$	-0.754 (0.529)	0.273^{*} (0.163)	-0.554 (0.560)
0.043^{*} (0.022)	$\frac{1.580^{***}}{(0.542)}$	0.041^{*} (0.022)	$1.473^{**} \\ (0.581)$	0.040^{*} (0.020)	$\frac{1.363^{**}}{(0.657)}$
	0.042***		0.039***		0.032**
	56.0		42.4		26.8
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
13,780	13,778	$13,\!174$	$13,\!174$	$12,\!382$	$12,\!382$
	(1) OLS -0.009 (0.013) 0.043* (0.022) Yes Yes No No 13,780	$\begin{array}{c ccc} (1) & (2) \\ \hline OLS & 2SLS \\ \hline -0.009 & -0.137^{***} \\ (0.013) & (0.051) \\ \hline 0.043^* & 1.580^{***} \\ (0.022) & (0.542) \\ \hline & 0.042^{***} \\ \hline 56.0 \\ Yes & Yes \\ Yes & Yes \\ Yes & Yes \\ No & No \\ No & No \\ 13,780 & 13,778 \\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c cccc} (1) & (2) & (3) \\ \hline OLS & 2SLS & OLS \\ \hline -0.009 & -0.137^{***} & 0.144 \\ (0.013) & (0.051) & (0.158) \\ \hline 0.043^* & 1.580^{***} & 0.041^* \\ (0.022) & (0.542) & (0.022) \\ \hline \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ &$	$\begin{array}{c cccccc} (1) & (2) & (3) & (4) \\ \hline OLS & 2SLS & OLS & 2SLS \\ \hline -0.009 & -0.137^{***} & 0.144 & -0.754 \\ (0.013) & (0.051) & (0.158) & (0.529) \\ \hline 0.043^* & 1.580^{***} & 0.041^* & 1.473^{**} \\ (0.022) & (0.542) & (0.022) & (0.581) \\ \hline & 0.042^{***} & 56.0 & 42.4 \\ \hline Yes & Yes & Yes & Yes \\ \hline Yes & Yes & Yes & Yes \\ \hline Yes & Yes & Yes & Yes \\ \hline No & No & Yes & Yes \\ \hline No & No & Yes & No \\ \hline 13,780 & 13,778 & 13,174 & 13,174 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

 Table A12: Refugee Centers and Far Right Running in Municipal Elections,

 Clustering at the Province Level

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one farright party competing in municipality i at election t. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality i is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the province level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS	OLS	2SLS
Post	-0.009 (0.012)	-0.138^{***} (0.044)	$0.144 \\ (0.129)$	-0.754 (0.462)	0.273^{*} (0.139)	-0.554 (0.488)
$SPRAR \times Post$	0.042^{**} (0.017)	$1.588^{***} \\ (0.479)$	0.041^{**} (0.017)	$\begin{array}{c} 1.473^{***} \\ (0.538) \end{array}$	0.040^{**} (0.016)	1.363^{**} (0.626)
1st Stage Coef.		0.042***		0.039***		0.032***
1st Stage F-Stat.		56.0		42.4		26.8
Municipality FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year×Post	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mun. Controls×Post	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mayor Controls×Post	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	13,780	13,778	$13,\!174$	$13,\!174$	$12,\!382$	$12,\!382$

Table A13: Refugee Centers and Far Right Running in Municipal Elections,Clustering at the Local Labor Market Level

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one farright party competing in municipality *i* at election *t*. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2011. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality *i* is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, income per capita, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, SPRAR opened before 2011, presence of a first-level refugee reception center, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, % workforce in the tourism sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2008 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the Labor Market Area level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Probit	IVProbit	Probit	IVProbit	Probit	IVProbit
SPRAR	$\begin{array}{c} 0.728^{***} \\ (0.069) \end{array}$	$2.898^{***} \\ (0.077)$	0.135^{*} (0.076)	$2.806^{***} \\ (0.094)$	0.141^{*} (0.075)	$\begin{array}{c} 2.819^{***} \\ (0.095) \end{array}$
1st Stage Coef.		0.071***		0.037***		0.034***
1st Stage F-Stat.		65.5		15.0		13.1
Province FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Election Year FEs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Geographic Controls	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Demographic Controls	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Political Controls	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Observations	7,544	7,544	$6,\!991$	$6,\!991$	6,946	6,946

Table A14: Refugee Centers and Matteo Salvini's Campaign Visits, Probit Regressions

Notes: In all specifications, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one campaign visit of League's leader Matteo Salvini to municipality *i* between May 2017 and October 2020. In columns (2), (4), and (6) $SPRAR_i$ is instrumented by an indicator for the presence of group accommodation buildings in the municipality as of 2001. Municipality controls: indicators for whether municipality *i* is in a mountainous, coastal, or flat-land area, population, population squared, population density, unemployment rate, indicator for provincial capital, distance from regional capital, number of non-profits per capita, % foreign population, % people with high-school education, average age, % workforce in the agricultural sector, % workforce in the industrial sector, and vote share of far-right parties in the 2006 national election. Mayor controls: gender, age, education, margin of victory, term limit, and party affiliation, all referred to the 2001-2005 round of municipal elections. F-Statistics reported in the lower panel of even columns are Cragg-Donald F-Statistics. Robust standard errors clustered at the local labor market area level in parentheses. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1.



Figure A1: New Municipalities Joining SPRAR, by Year





Notes: In both panels, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one far-right party competing in municipality i at round t. In Panel A, point estimates are for the effect of having opened a SPRAR center during the term prior to the 2016-2020 electoral round, interacted with election-specific dummies. In Panel B, the SPRAR indicator is first instrumented with the presence of a group accommodation building as of 2011, and subsequently interacted with election-specific dummies. In both panels, vertical bars are 95% confidence intervals based on standard errors clustered at the municipal level.





Notes: In both panels, the dependent variable is an indicator for at least one far-right party competing in municipality i at round t. In Panel A, point estimates are for the effect of having opened a SPRAR center during the term prior to the 2016-2020 electoral round, interacted with election-specific dummies. In Panel B, the SPRAR indicator is first instrumented with the presence of a group accommodation building as of 2011, and subsequently interacted with election-specific dummies. In both panels, vertical bars are 95% confidence intervals based on standard errors clustered at the municipal level.

Figure A4: SPRAR Openings and Salvini's Campaign Visits



Notes: In the left panel, orange patches indicate municipalities that opened a SPRAR center after their municipal election for the 2011-2015 round and before the one of the 2016-2020 one. In the right panel, green patches indicate municipalities visited by League's leader Matteo Salvini between May 2017 and October 2020.