**Anarchism**

**Anarchism** is *unusual* amongst political ideologies in that no anarchist party has ever succeeded in coming to Power.

Nevertheless, **Anarchist** movements were **powerful** in: **Spain**, **France**, **Russia** & **Mexico** through to the

**20th** **Century**, and **Anarchist** ideas continue to fertilize political debate by challenging the belief that **Law**, **Government** and **the** **State** are either **Beneficial** or **Crucial**.

**Anarchist thinking** has also been influential within the modern **anti-Capitalist**, or **anti-Globalization** movement.

The central theme within **Anarchism** is the belief that **Political Authority**, especially **the State**, is Evil and Unnecessary.

Nevertheless, the Anarchist preference for a stateless society in which free individuals manage their own affairs has been developed on the basis of two rival traditions: **Liberal Individualism**, and **Socialist Communitarianism**.

**Anarchism** can thus be thought of as a point of intersection between liberalism and Socialism:

A form of both ‘**Ultra**-**Liberalism’** and ‘**Ultra**-**Socialism’**