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The Ethics of Staying
Social Movements and Land Rights Politics in Pakistan
Mubbashir A. Rizvi

The military coup that brought General Pervez Musharraf to power as Pakistan's tenth president resulted in the abolition of a century-old sharecropping system that was rife with corruption. In its place the military regime implemented a market reform policy of cash contract farming. Meant to improve living conditions for tenant farmers, instead the new system mobilized one of the largest, most successful land rights movements in South Asia—still active today. In The Ethics of Staying, Mubbashir A. Rizvi presents an original framework for understanding this major social movement called the Anjuman Mazarin Punjab (AMP). Rizvi also offers a glimpse of Pakistan that challenges its standard framing as a hub of radical militancy, opening a window into the everyday struggles of its people.

“Theoretically sophisticated, the book represents a milestone in reorienting how we think about state and society in agrarian Pakistan.”

—David Gilmartin, North Carolina State University

Paradoxes of the Popular
Crowd Politics in Bangladesh
Nusrat Sabina Chowdhury

Few places are as politically precarious as Bangladesh, even fewer as crowded. It is also one of the poorest among such densely populated nations. In spite of an overriding anxiety of exhaustion, there are a few important caveats to the familiar feelings of despair—a growing economy, and an uneven, yet robust, nationalist sentiment—which, together, generate revealing paradoxes. In this book, Nusrat Chowdhury offers insights into the so-called Bangladesh Paradox in order to analyze the constitutive contradictions of popular politics. Chowdhury writes provocatively about everyday democracy in Bangladesh in a rich ethnography that studies some of the most consequential protests of the last decade, making an original case for the crowd as a defining feature of democratic practices in South Asia and beyond.

“Chowdhury puts the paradoxical power of the street at the center of Bangladeshi history. A bold, compelling analysis.”

—Jean Comaroff, Harvard University

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Mafia Raj
*The Rule of Bosses in South Asia*
Lucia Michelutti, Ashraf Hoque, Nicolas Martin, David Picherit, Paul Rollier, Arild E. Ruud, and Clarinda Still

“Mafia” has become an indigenous South Asian term. Like Italian mobsters, the South Asian “gangster politicians” are known for inflicting brutal violence while simultaneously upholding vigilante justice—inspiring fear and fantasy. But the term also refers to the diffuse spheres of crime, business, and politics operating within a shadow world that is popularly referred to as the rule of the mafia, or “Mafia Raj.” Through intimate ethnographic accounts of the lives of powerful and aspiring bosses in India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh, this book illustrates their personal struggles for sovereignty as they climb the ladder of success. The authors theorize what they call “the art of bossing,” providing nuanced ideas about crime, corruption, and the lure of the strongman across the world.

“With unforgettable portraits of gangsters, politicians, hustlers, and extortionists, this account upends our notions of democracy and legitimacy.”
—Milan Vaishnav, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Financializing Poverty
*Labor and Risk in Indian Microfinance*
Sohini Kar

Microfinance is the business of giving small, collateral-free loans to poor borrowers that are paid back in frequent intervals with interest. While for-profit microfinance institutions (MFIs) promise social and economic empowerment, they have mainly succeeded at enfolding the poor—especially women—into the vast circuits of global finance. *Financializing Poverty* ethnographically examines how the emergence of MFIs has allowed financial institutions in the city of Kolkata, India, to capitalize on the poverty of its residents. Sohini Kar shows that rigid forms of credit risk management used by MFIs reproduce the very inequality the loans are meant to alleviate. Moreover, she argues, the use of life insurance to manage high mortality rates of the poor borrowers has led to the collateralization of life itself.

“Kar has beautifully rendered much hard-won and illuminating ethnographic data into compelling prose.”
—Gustav Peebles, The New School

Elusive Lives
*Gender, Autobiography, and the Self in Muslim South Asia*
Siobhan Lambert-Hurley

Muslim South Asia is widely thought of as a culture that idealizes female anonymity. However, Siobhan Lambert-Hurley highlights an elusive strand of female autobiographical writings dating back several centuries throughout the region to make a case against this common assumption. The book is based on texts from the sixteenth century to the present, drawing on materials from Muslim communities all over the Indian subcontinent. Drawing on well over 200 original texts, Lambert-Hurley uncovers patterns across time and place to propose a theoretical model for reading gender, autobiography, and the self in texts that have long-defied Euro-American analysis.

“This is a wonderfully sensitive account of the gendered self and the subtle interleaving of individual identity and collective presence.”
—David Arnold, University of Warwick
Jinnealogy
Time, Islam, and Ecological Thought in the Medieval Ruins of Delhi
Anand Vivek Taneja
In the ruins of a medieval palace in Delhi, Indians of all castes and creeds meet to socialize and ask Islamic jinns for help, writing out requests as if petitioning the state. Anand Vivek Taneja’s Jinnealogy provides a fresh vision of religion, identity, and sacrality in the ruin of Firoz Shah Kotla. An unusually democratic religious space, it is characterized by freewheeling theological conversations, DIY rituals, and the sanctification of animals. Taneja observes the visitors, who come mainly from the Muslim and Dalit neighborhoods of Delhi, using their conversations and letters as an archive of voices so often silenced. In this enchanted space, he encounters a vibrant form of popular Islam that resists state repression and challenges postcolonial visions of India.

“Brilliant and moving meditation on extraordinary attempts to recover a lost culture. Highly recommended.”

—Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina
at Chapel Hill

Raising Global Families
Parenting, Immigration, and Class in Taiwan and the US
Pei-Chia Lan
Public discourse on Asian parenting tends to fixate on ethnic culture as a static value set, disguising the fluidity and diversity of Chinese parenting. Such stereotypes also fail to account for the challenges of raising children in a rapidly modernizing world, full of globalizing values. In Raising Global Families Pei-Chia Lan examines how ethnic Chinese parents in Taiwan and the United States negotiate cultural differences and class inequality. She draws on a uniquely comparative, multi-sited research model with four groups of parents: middle-class and working-class parents in Taiwan, and middle-class and working-class Chinese immigrants in the Boston area. Lan demonstrates that class inequality permeates the fabric of family life, even as it takes shape in different ways across national contexts.

 “[Lan] illuminates complex processes such as globalization and trans-nationalism, making this a superb book for classroom use.”

—Margaret Nelson, Middlebury College

The Politics of Compassion
The Sichuan Earthquake and Civic Engagement in China
Bin Xu
The 2008 Sichuan earthquake killed 87,000 people and left 5 million homeless. In response, an unprecedented wave of volunteers and civic associations streamed in to help. The Politics of Compassion examines how civicly engaged citizens acted on the ground, how they understood the meaning of their actions, and how the political climate shaped their actions and understandings. Using extensive data from interviews, observations, and textual materials, Bin Xu shows that the large-scale civic engagement was not just a natural outpouring of compassion, but also a complex social process, both enabled and constrained by the authoritarian political context.

“Bin Xu’s analytic insights into ‘the politics of compassion’ are acute, but his account never erases the personal and human. The result is riveting, provocative, and ultimately heartbreaking.”

—Deborah Davis, Yale University
Super Continent
The Logic of Eurasian Integration
Kent E. Calder

A Eurasian transformation is underway, and it flows from China. With a geopolitically central location, the country’s domestic and international policies are poised to change the face of global affairs. The Belt and Road Initiative has called attention to a deepening Eurasian continentalism that has, argues Kent Calder, much more significant implications than have yet been recognized. In Super Continent, Calder presents a theoretically guided and empirically grounded explanation for these changes. In doing so, he underlines that the geo-economic logic that prevailed across Eurasia before Columbus, and that made the Silk Road a central thoroughfare of world affairs for close to two millennia, is re-asserting itself once again.

"Calder is dead right. This volume is an indispensable guide for both professors and politicians to the complex new realities of this Super Continent."

—Kishore Mahbubani, National University of Singapore

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Ink Worlds
Contemporary Chinese Painting from the Collection of Akiko Yamazaki and Jerry Yang
Richard Vinograd and Ellen Huang

Ink arts have flourished in China for more than two millennia. Once primarily associated with elite culture, ink painting is now undergoing a popular resurgence. Ink Worlds explores the modern evolution of this art form, from scrolls and panel paintings to photographic and video forms, and documents how Chinese ink arts speak to present-day concerns while simultaneously referencing deeply historical materials, themes, and techniques. The book spans pioneering abstract work from the late 1960s through twenty-first century technological innovations, using the renowned Yamazaki/Yang collection. Nine illustrated essays build a compelling case for understanding the modern form as a distinct genre, providing an accessible theory of contemporary ink painting.

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Vicious Circuits
Korea’s IMF Cinema and the End of the American Century
Joseph Jonghyun Jeon

In December of 1997, the International Monetary Fund announced the largest bailout package in its history, aimed at stabilizing the South Korean economy in response to a major credit and currency crisis. Vicious Circuits examines the decade of cinema following that crisis, what it terms “Korea's IMF Cinema,” to consider the transformations of global political economy at the end of the American century. The cinema during this time was preoccupied with economic phenomena. As the quintessentially corporate art form, film in this context became an ideal site for thinking through the global political economy in the transitional moment of American decline and Chinese ascension. The book’s window on Korea provides a peripheral but crucial perspective on late U.S. hegemony and the contradictions that ultimately corrode it.

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Jesus Loves Japan
Return Migration and Global Pentecostalism in a Brazilian Diaspora
Suma Ikeuchi

After the introduction of the “long-term resident” visa, the mass-migration of Nikkeis (Japanese Brazilians) has led to roughly 190,000 Brazilian nationals living in Japan. While the ancestry-based visa confers Nikkeis’ right to settlement, their ethnic ambiguity and working-class profile often prevent them from feeling at home. In response, many have converted to Pentecostalism, reflecting the explosive trend across Latin America since the 1970s. In Jesus Loves Japan Suma Ikeuchi argues that charismatic Christianity appeals to Nikkei migrants as a “third culture”—one that transcends ethno-national boundaries. She insightfully describes the political process of homecoming through the lens of religion, and the ubiquitous figure of the migrant as the pilgrim of a transnational future.

“In showing how Pentecostalism grants meaning to a bleak existence, Ikeuchi opens new vistas in our understanding of Japanese Brazilians residing in Japan.”
—Daniel T. Linger, University of California, Santa Cruz

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Citizens in Motion
Emigration, Immigration, and Re-migration Across China’s Borders
Elaine Lynn-Ee Ho

More than 35 million Chinese people live outside China, but this population is far from homogenous, and its multifaceted national affiliations require careful theorization. This book unravels the multiple, shifting paths of global migration in Chinese society today, challenging a unilinear view of migration by presenting emigration, immigration, and re-migration trajectories that are occurring continually and simultaneously. Drawing on interviews and ethnographic observations conducted in China, Canada, Singapore, and the China–Myanmar border, Elaine Lynn-Ee Ho considers the complex patterns of migration that shape nation-building and citizenship, both in origin and destination countries.

“A pathbreaking study on contemporary migrations to and from China. [It] is a must-read for specialists of China, migration, and racial ethnic studies across disciplines.”
—Rhacel Salazar Parreñas, author of Servants of Globalization

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The Politics of Love in Myanmar
LGBT Mobilization and Human Rights as a Way of Life
Lynette J. Chua

The Politics of Love in Myanmar offers an intimate ethnographic account of a group of LGBT activists before, during, and after Myanmar’s post-2011 political transition. Lynette J. Chua explores how these activists devoted themselves to, and fell in love with, the practice of human rights and how they were able to empower queer Burmese to accept themselves, gain social belonging, and reform discriminatory legislation and law enforcement. Informed by interviews with activists from all walks of life, Chua details the vivid particulars of the LGBT activist experience founding a movement first among exiles and migrants and then in Myanmar’s cities, towns, and countryside.

“Beautifully written and brilliantly theorized, the book is highly recommended reading for scholars interested in human rights, legal mobilization, social movements, and LGBT politics.”
—Michael McCann, University of Washington

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The Chinese and the Iron Road
Building the Transcontinental Railroad
Edited by Gordon H. Chang and Shelley Fisher Fishkin

The completion of the transcontinental railroad in May 1869 is usually told as a story of national triumph and a key moment for American “manifest destiny.” While it is celebrated in national memory, little attention has been paid to the Chinese workers who made up 90% of the workforce on the Western portion of the line. The railroad could not have been built without Chinese labor, but the lives of Chinese railroad workers themselves have remained largely invisible. This landmark volume shines new light on these workers and their enduring importance, illuminating more fully than ever before how immigration across the Pacific changed both China and the U.S.

“This timely and essential volume preserves the humanity of the often-ignored and forgotten immigrant worker.”
—Erika Lee, author of The Making of Asian America

Land Wars
The Story of China’s Agrarian Revolution
Brian J. DeMare

Mao Zedong’s land reform campaigns comprise a critical moment in modern Chinese history, and were crucial to the rise of the CCP. In Land Wars, Brian DeMare draws on new archival research to offer an updated and comprehensive history of this attempt to fundamentally transform the countryside. To achieve socialist utopia, loyal Maoists imposed and performed a harsh script of peasant liberation through fierce class struggle. While many accounts of the campaigns give false credence to this narrative, DeMare argues that the reality was much more complex and brutal than is commonly understood. Uniquely weaving narrative and historical accounts, DeMare powerfully highlights the often devastating role of fiction in determining history.

“A welcome addition to the literature, [this book] offers a counter narrative to the stories told in William Hinton’s Fanshen in many ways.”
—Huaiyin Li, University of Texas at Austin

K-pop Live
Fans, Idols, and Multimedia Performance
Suk-Young Kim

In K-pop Live, Suk-Young Kim investigates the meteoric ascent of Korean popular music in relation to the rise of personal technology and social media, situating a feverish cross-media partnership within the Korean historical context and broader questions about what it means to be “live” and “alive.” Based on in-depth interviews with K-pop industry personnel, media experts, critics, and fans, as well as archival research, K-pop Live explores how the industry has managed the tough sell of live music in a marketplace in which virtually everything is available online. She offers readers a step-by-step guide through the K-pop industry’s variegated efforts to diversify media platforms as a way of reaching a wider global audience.

“From the music videos to a futuristic fan museum, Kim reveals the ways idols are transforming how we think about musicians and fandom.”
—Ian Condry, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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**For God or Empire**  
*Sayyid Fadl and the Indian Ocean World*  
Wilson Chacko Jacob

Sayyid Fadl, a descendent of the Prophet Muhammad, led a unique life—one that spanned much of the nineteenth century and connected India, Arabia, and the Ottoman Empire. *For God or Empire* tells his story, part biography and part global history, as his life and legacy afford a singular view on historical shifts of power and sovereignty, religion and politics. Fadl’s travels in worlds seen and unseen made for a life that was both unsettled and unsettling. And through his life, at least two forms of sovereignty—God and empire—become apparent in intersecting global contexts of religion and modern state formation. The life and afterlives of Sayyid Fadl—which take us from eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Indian Ocean worlds to twenty-first century cyberspace—offer a more open-ended global history of sovereignty and a more capacious conception of life.

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**The Hijacked War**  
*The Story of Chinese POWs in the Korean War*  
David Cheng Chang

The Korean War lasted for three years, one month, and two days—but armistice talks occupied more than two of those years, as 14,000 Chinese prisoners of war refused to return to Communist China, effectively hijacking the negotiations of world leaders at a pivotal moment in Cold War history. In *The Hijacked War*, David Cheng Chang vividly portrays the experiences of Chinese prisoners in the dark, cold, and damp tents of Koje and Cheju islands in Korea and how their decisions derailed the high politics being conducted in Washington, Moscow, and Beijing. Drawing on newly declassified archival materials from China, Taiwan, and the United States and interviews with surviving Chinese prisoners in the dark, cold, and damp tents of Koje and Cheju islands in Korea and how their decisions derailed the high politics being conducted in Washington, Moscow, and Beijing. Drawing on newly declassified archival materials from China, Taiwan, and the United States and interviews with surviving Chinese prisoners of war, Chang depicts the struggle over prisoner repatriation that dominated the second half of the Korean War—and changed the course of the Cold War in East Asia—in the prisoners’ own words.

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**A Genealogy of Dissent**  
*The Progeny of Fallen Royals in Chosŏn Korea*  
Eugene Y. Park

In early modern Korea, the Chosŏn state conducted an extermination campaign against the Kaesŏng Wang, descendants of the preceding Koryŏ dynasty. It was so thorough that most of today’s descendants are related to a single survivor. Before long, however, the Chosŏn dynasty sought to bolster its legitimacy as the successor of Koryŏ by rehabilitating the surviving Wangs—granting them patronage for performing ancestral rites and even allowing them to attain prestigious offices. As a result, Koryŏ descendants came to constitute elite lineages throughout Korea. Eugene Y. Park draws on primary and secondary sources, interviews, and site visits to tell their extraordinary story. In so doing, he traces Korea’s changing politics, society, and culture for more than half a millennium.

“Park uncovers the surprising intersection of family background and political power, enhancing our understanding of Korean social history.”  
—Donald L. Baker, University of British Columbia

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Partitions
A Transnational History of Twentieth-Century Territorial Separatism
Edited by Arie M. Dubnov and Laura Robson

Partition—the physical division of territory along ethno-religious lines into separate nation-states—is often presented as a political “solution” to ethnic conflict. In the twentieth century, new nation-states—the Irish Free State, the Dominions (later Republics) of India and Pakistan, and the State of Israel—emerged as the result of partition, all in contexts of extreme violence. This volume offers the first collective history of the concept of partition, tracing its emergence in the aftermath of the First World War and locating its genealogy in the politics of twentieth-century empire and decolonization.

“Tracing the movement of partition theories and practices across multiple colonial spaces, this volume resists both functional explanations and the balance-sheet approach in favor of a deeply historicized account of partition’s multiple lives and afterlives across the twentieth century and beyond.”

—Antoinette Burton, University of Illinois

Mandarin Brazil
Race, Representation, and Memory
Ana Paulina Lee

In Mandarin Brazil, Ana Paulina Lee explores the centrality of Chinese exclusion to the Brazilian nation-building project. She considers depictions of Chineseness in Brazilian popular music, literature, and visual culture, as well as archival documents and Brazilian and Qing dynasty diplomatic correspondence. The book begins during the second half of the nineteenth century, during the transitional period when enslaved labor became unfree labor—an era when black slavery shifted to “yellow labor” and racial anxieties surged. By considering why Chinese laborers were excluded from Brazilian nation-building efforts while Japanese migrants were welcomed, Lee interrogates how Chinese and Japanese imperial ambitions and Asian ethnic supremacy reinforced Brazil’s “whitening” project.

“A richly textured and meticulously researched study of Chinese racialization in Brazil.”

—Lok Siu, University of California, Berkeley

Contraceptive Diplomacy
Reproductive Politics and Imperial Ambitions in the United States and Japan
Aiko Takeuchi-Demirci

This book turns to the history of the birth control movement in the United States and Japan to interpret the struggle for hegemony in the Pacific through the lens of transnational feminism. Aiko Takeuchi-Demirci follows the relationship between two iconic birth control activists, Margaret Sanger in the United States and Ishimoto Shizue in Japan, as well as other intellectuals and policy-makers, to make sense of the complex transnational exchanges occurring around contraception. By telling this story in a transnational context, Takeuchi-Demirci draws connections between birth control activism and the history of eugenics, racism, and imperialism.

“A fascinating study of transnational feminism and international policy that yields an exciting new frontier for transnational histories.”

—Barbara Molony, Santa Clara University

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Forgotten Disease
*Illnesses Transformed in Chinese Medicine*

Hilary A. Smith

Around the turn of the twentieth century, disorders that Chinese physicians had been writing about for over a millennium acquired new identities in Western medicine. Hilary A. Smith argues that privileging these later sources misrepresents what traditional Chinese doctors were seeing and doing, creating an unfair view of their medicine as inferior. Drawing on a wide array of sources, ranging from early Chinese classics to modern scientific research, Smith traces the history of one representative case, foot qi, from the fourth century to the present day. She examines the shifting meanings of disease over time, showing that each transformation reflects the social, political, intellectual, and economic environment.

“The writing of the history of diseases has played a crucial but often invisible role in shaping Chinese medicine as we know it today. Forgotten Disease challenges the dominant historiography with great insights.”

—Sean Hsiang-Lin Lei, Academia Sinica, Taiwan

Violence and Order on the Chengdu Plain
*The Story of a Secret Brotherhood in Rural China, 1939–1949*

Di Wang

In 1939, residents of a rural village near Chengdu watched as Lei Mingyuan, a member of a violent secret society known as the Gowned Brothers, executed his teenage daughter. Six years later, Shen Baoyuan, a sociology student at Yenching University, arrived in the town to conduct fieldwork on the society. Using the filicide as a starting point to examine the history, culture, and organization of the Gowned Brothers, Di Wang offers nuanced insights into the structures of local power in 1940s rural Sichuan and the influence of Western sociology and anthropology on the way intellectuals in the Republic of China perceived rural communities.

“Di Wang’s rich volume on the Sichuan Paoge offers a major contribution to the history of Chinese secret societies.”

—David Ownby, author of *Brotherhoods and Secret Societies in Early and Mid-Qing China*

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The Politics of Rights and the 1911 Revolution in China

Xiaowei Zheng

China’s 1911 Revolution was a momentous political transformation. Its leaders, however, were not rebellious troublemakers on the periphery of imperial order, but a powerful political and economic elite deeply entrenched in local society, with imperially sanctioned cultural credentials. The revolution they spearheaded produced a new, democratic political culture that enshrined national sovereignty, constitutionalism, and the rights of the people as indisputable principles. Based upon previously untapped Qing and Republican sources, this book is a nuanced and colorful chronicle of the revolution. Xiaowei Zheng explores the ideas that motivated the revolution, the popularization of those ideas, and their animating impact on the Chinese people at large.

“This is the best book on the 1911 Revolution to appear in many years, and it will be the point of departure for all future research on the subject.”

—Matthew Sommer, Stanford University

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Dynasties and Democracy
The Inherited Incumbency Advantage in Japan
Daniel M. Smith

Although democracy is the antithesis of dynastic rule, families with multiple members in elective office continue to be common around the world. In most democracies, the proportion of such “democratic dynasties” declines over time, and rarely exceeds ten percent of all legislators. Japan is a startling exception, with over a quarter of all legislators in recent years being dynastic. In Dynasties and Democracy, Daniel M. Smith sets out to explain when and why dynasties persist in democracies, and why their numbers are only now beginning to wane in Japan—questions that have long perplexed regional experts. His findings shed light on the causes and consequences of dynastic politics around the world.

“It is hard to think of a sharper evaluation of the effects of political institutions on the quality and nature of democratic competition.”
—Frances McCall Rosenbluth, Yale University

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Manipulating Globalization
The Influence of Bureaucrats on Business in China
Ling Chen

Beginning in the 2000s, the Chinese state shifted from attracting foreign investment to promoting technological competitiveness of domestic firms. While bureaucrats successfully built coalitions to motivate businesses to upgrade in some cities, in others, vested interests within the government deprived businesses of developmental resources. Ling Chen argues that the roots of coalitional variation lie in the type of foreign firms with which local governments forged alliances. Chen advances a new theory of economic policies in authoritarian regimes and informs debates about the nature of Chinese capitalism. Her findings shed light on state-led development and coalition formation in other emerging economies that comprise the new “globalized” generation.

“This is a must-read for anyone interested in China’s political economy and its global implications.”
—Dali L. Yang, The University of Chicago

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Zouping Revisited
Adaptive Governance in a Chinese County
Edited by Jean C. Oi and Steven Goldstein

With China undergoing dramatic economic change, the political institutions now seem capable of governing a vastly more complex market economy and a rapidly changing labor force. This volume explains that within the old organizational molds subtle but profound changes affected how these governing bodies actually work. This book takes the local government of Zouping County and finds that it has been able to evolve significantly through ad hoc bureaucratic adaptations and accommodations that drastically change the operation of government institutions. The picture that emerges is one of institutional agility and creativity as a new form of resilience within an authoritarian regime.

“Grounded in the soil of rural China, this book examines the startling ways old institutional structures are repurposed to perform new functions.”
—David M. Lampton, Johns Hopkins University

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During the Cold War, the U.S. built a series of alliances with Asian nations to erect a bulwark against the spread of communism and provide security to the region. Despite pressure to end bilateral alliances in the post–Cold War world, they persist to this day, even as new multilateral institutions have sprung up around them. The resulting architecture may aggravate rivalries as the U.S., China, and others compete for influence. However, Andrew Yeo demonstrates how Asia's complex array of bilateral and multilateral agreements may ultimately bring greater stability and order to a region fraught with underlying tensions.

“An informed, nuanced, and vivid account.”
—Victor D. Cha, Georgetown University

The Reputational Imperative: Nehru's India in Territorial Conflict
Mahesh Shankar
India’s first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, left behind a legacy of both great achievements and surprising defeats. Most notably, he failed to resolve the Kashmir dispute with Pakistan and the territorial conflict with China. Mahesh Shankar offers a compelling and novel understanding of these puzzling foreign policy missteps: reputation. India’s investment in its international image powerfully shaped the state’s negotiation and bargaining tactics during this period.

“An enlightening and unbiased read.”
—Alex Weisiger, University of Pennsylvania

Poisonous Pandas: Chinese Cigarette Manufacturing in Critical Historical Perspectives
Edited by Matthew Kohrman, Gan Quan, Liu Wennan, and Robert N. Proctor
Over the last fifty years, transnational tobacco companies and their allies have fueled a tripling of the world’s annual consumption of cigarettes. At the forefront is the China National Tobacco Corporation, now producing forty percent of cigarettes sold globally. What has enabled the manufacturing of cigarettes in China to flourish even amidst public condemnation of smoking? In Poisonous Pandas, an interdisciplinary group of scholars offer novel portraits of people within the Chinese polity who have experimentally revamped the country’s pre-Communist cigarette supply chain and fitfully expanded its political, economic, and cultural influence. These portraits open a vital new window on the global tobacco industry.

“A stupendous and long overdue achievement.”
—Ralph Litzinger, Duke University

Asia’s Regional Architecture: Alliances and Institutions in the Pacific Century
Andrew Yeo

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Rebranding China
Contested Status Signaling in the Changing Global Order
Xiaoyu Pu

China is intensely conscious of its status, at home and abroad. Contradictory posturing as a fragile developing country and a nascent global power makes decoding China’s foreign policy a challenge, generating uncertainty in many parts of the world. Using the metaphor of rebranding to understand China’s varying displays of status, Xiaoyu Pu analyzes a rising China’s challenges and dilemmas on the global stage. *Rebranding China* demystifies how the state represents its global position by analyzing recent military transformations, regional diplomacy, and international financial negotiations. Drawing on a sweeping body of research, including original Chinese sources and interdisciplinary ideas from sociology, psychology, and international relations, this book puts forward an innovative framework for interpreting China’s foreign policy.

“This is a must-read for anyone interested in China’s foreign relations and China’s domestic political development in the reform era.”

—Thomas J. Christensen, Columbia University

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The Indonesian Way
ASEAN, Europeanization, and Foreign Policy Debates in a New Democracy
Jürgen Rüland

On December 31, 2015, the ten-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations ushered in a new era with the founding of the ASEAN Community (AC). The AC was both a historic initiative and an unprecedented step toward the area’s regional integration. Political commentators and media outlets, however, suggested that Southeast Asia was taking its first steps on a linear process of unification that would converge on the model of the European Union. Jürgen Rüland challenges this previously unquestioned diffusion of European norms. Focusing on the reception of ASEAN in Indonesia, he traces how foreign policy stakeholders have responded to calls for ASEAN’s Europeanization, ultimately fusing them with their own distinctly Indonesian form of regionalism.

“With intelligence and nuance, [Rüland] offers an essential study of comparative regionalism and Indonesia’s role in the ASEAN Charter.”

—Randall Schweller, Ohio State University

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Hard Target
Sanctions, Inducements, and the Case of North Korea
Stephan Haggard and Marcus Noland

This book captures the effects of sanctions and inducements on North Korea and provides a detailed reconstruction of the role of economic incentives in the bargaining around the country’s nuclear program. Stephan Haggard and Marcus Noland draw on an array of evidence to show the reluctance of the North Korean leadership to weaken its grip on foreign economic activity. They argue that inducements have limited effect on the regime, and instead urge policymakers to think in terms of gradual strategies. *Hard Target* connects economic statecraft to the marketization process to understand North Korea and addresses a larger debate over the merits and demerits of “engagement” with adversaries.

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