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Anthropology

One or Two Words : Language and Politics in the Toraja
Highlands of Indonesia / Aurora Donzelli
Singapore: NUS Press, 2020
xxii, 302p. ; 229x152mm. ; 11 maps, 2 tables
Includes Index ; Bibliography
9789813251144
\$ 48.00 / HB
596gm.

Offers an analysis of the power relations between centres and peripheries in one of the world's most linguistically diverse countries. The book explores how people forge forms of collective belonging to a distinctive locality through the exchange of spoken words, WhatsApp messages, ritual gifts, and elaborate political speeches and ritual chants.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712798>

Biography/Memoirs

Lives and Times of HRH / Herman Ronald Hochstadt
Singapore: NUS Press, 2020
xviii, 238p. ; 152x229mm.
Includes Index
9789813251199

1. Hochstadt, Herman Ronald.
2. Civil service – Singapore – Biography.

3. Singapore – Officials and employees – Biography.

4. Singapore –History – 20th Century.

\$ 32.00 / HB

550gm.

Herman Hochstadt, or hrh as he is better known, joined the civil service in 1959, moving to the position of secretary to Lee Kuan Yew's Prime Minister's Office. hrh had an unusual ability to inspire those working for him, and his signature wit and charm are on display here, in the ways he weaves together stories of his career and some of the key moments of Singapore's development.

He begins with his family's history in Singapore, including that of his grandfather, John Hochstadt, who founded the Singapore Casket Company. He then continues through his childhood and an education part of which coincided with the Japanese occupation, before moving on to his working life. Hochstadt has held many positions across the public and private sectors, such as acting director of manpower of the Ministry of Defence when Singapore had to build its armed forces from scratch. He was instrumental in many pivotal moments in modern Singapore's history, including being the logistics coordinator of the delegation to Singapore's 1965 admission to the United Nations. During his later career, he was high commissioner to several Commonwealth African nations.

Full of warmth and humour, the lives and times of hrh traces a life dedicated to public service in Singapore, from its time as a crown colony through its evolution to the Republic of Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712799>

Life Under the Palms : The Sublime World of Anti-Colonialist
Jacob Haafner / Paul van der Velde (Translator) Liesbeth
Bennink

Singapore: Ridge Books (NUS Press), 2020

x, 166p.

9789813250826

1. Haafner, Jacob.

2. Travelers – Netherlands – Biography.

\$ 20.00 / PB

272gm.

Jacob Gotfried Haafner (1754-1809) was a writer of great talent, and an early dissenting voice from within the colonial enterprise. Haafner was orphaned in the Dutch East Indies, and lived in South Africa, Sri Lanka, India and Mauritius for more than 20 years. On his return to Europe he transformed himself into one of the most popular Dutch writers of the early 19th century, for his travel writing in the Romantic mode. Books like his popular *Travels in a Palanquin* were translated into the major European languages, and his essays on the havoc wrought by missionaries worldwide stirred up great controversy, particularly in his home country of the Netherlands. He was a fierce critic of English machinations in India: "Had I to write the history of the English and their deeds in Asia", Haafner once said, "it would be the spitting image of hell". But there was a scholarly side to him to complement the pamphleteer and travel writer, working to promote European understanding of Indian literature, myth and religion, including through his translation of the *Ramayana* into Dutch.

With the help of generous excerpts from Haafner's own writings, including material newly translated into English, van der Velde tells an affecting story of a young man who made a world for himself along the Coromandel Coast, in Ceylon and Calcutta, but who returned to Europe to live the last years of his life in Amsterdam, suffering an acute nostalgia for Asia: "No, in Europe and especially in its northern climes, no one enjoys their life..." This will be compelling reading for anyone interested in European response to the cultures of Asia through the eyes of an unprejudiced cosmopolitan.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712800>

P.S. Teo, Photographer (1930-2005) / (Ed) Teo Soh Lung
Singapore: Word Image, 2020

152p.

9789811462122

1. Teo, P.S., 1930-2005.
2. Photographers – Singapore - Biography.
3. Portrait photography – Singapore – History – 20th century.
4. Photography – Singapore – History – 20th century.

\$ 40.00 / PB

412gm.

P. S. Teo started his career by assisting the chief photographer and dark room technician at Studio De Luxe. At the same time, he did a correspondence course conducted by Alpha Correspondence School of Photography in London, reading, self-study and doing experimental work on photography. The famous portrait photographer Yousuf Karsh was his mentor. Karsh who passed through Singapore encouraged him to be a photographer. He sent him a gift of his book of black and white portraits and gave him one piece of important advice – never be stingy with films.

In his younger days, P. S. Teo participated in photography exhibitions and competitions both in Singapore and abroad. He won two bronze medals from the Singapore Art Society. In 1955, he had three portraits exhibited at the Institute of British Photographers Exhibition of Professional Photography at the R.B.A. Gallery, London. In 1956 he was awarded the Associateship of the Institute of British Photographers (A.I.B.P) for portrait photography making him just one of two Malaysians to receive the honour. In 1957, he became an Associate of the Royal Photographic Society of Great Britain (A.R.P.S.). The following year, he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (F.R.S.A).

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712801>

90 Years in Singapore / Irene Lim, Loh Kah Seng & Linda Lim
Singapore: Pagesetters Servces Pte Ltd., 2020
xii, 236p.

Includes Index

9789811454165

1. Lim, Irene.
2. Singapore – History – Personal narratives.
3. Malaya – History – Personal narratives.

\$ 25.00 / PB

354gm.

“Singapore’s history has been told many times but it has usually been framed by men and the stories are mostly of and about men.

This book of memories by Irene Lim covering nine decades of her life, spent in Singapore except for three wartime years in Malaya, gives us the perspective of that period as seen through her day-to-day life and that of her extended family. It offers a tantalising view of what women felt and experienced about the world around them at that time.

We begin to appreciate how history is not only made by dramatic national events but by the stuff of daily existence. This book brings richly to life the social and cultural half of history that for too long has been forgotten, untold or ignored, giving us a more holistic picture of our human, and Singapore, story.

The life course of this resilient and creative woman also shows us the promise of longevity can be fulfilled by leading an independent life of purpose and productive activity. I really enjoyed reading the book. I could hardly put it down until I reached the end.” — Dr. Kanwaljit Soin, orthopaedic and hand surgeon, and advocate for improving the lives of women and the elderly.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703794>

I Thought I Knew : A Professor Turned Patient / Christopher Cheng Wai Sam

Singapore: Write Editions, 2020

xxviii, 152p.

9789811449949 (PB)

1. Prostate – Cancer – Treatment – Singapore.
2. Prostate – Cancer – Patients – Singapore – Biography.
3. Urologist – Singapore – Biography.

\$ 28.00 (PB)

300gm.

I Thought I Knew is a poignant, blow-by-blow account of a leading urologist whose world collapsed when he discovered he himself faced the very condition he was expert in – prostate cancer. Lying on a cold operating table one Saturday morning in December 2017, Prof Christopher Cheng realised he had entered the dusk of unknowns. Not even his 37 years of professional life in the field could prepare him for the momentous episode – a professor turned patient.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712803>

As Empires Fall : The Life and Times of Lee Hau-Shik, the First Finance Minister of Malaya / Ooi Kee Beng

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), 2020

xvi, 236p.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references.

9789814881449

1. Lee, Hau Shik, Tun Colonel Sir, 1900-1998 – Biography
2. Chinese – Malaysia – Biography.
3. Politicians – Malaysia – Biography.
4. Businessman – Malaysia – Biography.
5. Malaya – History.

\$ 26.00 / PB

316gm.

To understand how independence was gained for a politically complex country such as Malaysia, and how its structure took form requires familiarity with the key players involved. This

book tells the story of Lee Hau-Shik, based on his extensive private papers housed at ISEAS Library, Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703194>

Ecology/Environmental Studies

Eating Chilli Crab in the Athropocene : Environmental Perspectives on Life in Singapore / (Ed) Matthew Schneider-Mayerson

Singapore: Ethos Books, 2020

276p.

9789811441363

\$ 22.00 / PB

398gm.

In this era of climate crisis, in which our very futures are at stake, sustainability is a global imperative. Yet we tend to associate sustainability, nature, and the environment with distant places, science, and policy. The truth is that everything is environmental, from transportation to taxes, work to love, cities to cuisine.

This book is the first to examine contemporary Singapore from an ecocultural lens, looking at the ways that Singaporean life and culture is deeply entangled with the nonhuman lives that flourish all around us. The authors represent a new generation of cultural critics and environmental thinkers, who will inherit the future we are creating today. From chilli crab to Tiger Beer, Changi Airport to Pulau Semakau, O-levels to orang minyak films, these essays offer fresh perspectives on familiar subjects, prompting us to recognise the incredible urgency of climate change and the need to transform our ways of thinking, acting, learning, living, and governing so as to maintain a stable planet and a decent future.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712804>

Economics/Development Studies

The Race for 5G Supremacy : Why China is Surging, Where Millennials Struggle, and How America Can Prevail / Austin Groves & Paul Schulte

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2020
xxiv, 236p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789811222719

\$ 28.00 / PB

392gm.

China is surging in the tech race — and will continue to outperform the United States. The rising power has done exceptionally in Super Apps, bullet trains, 5G, electric vehicles, digital currency, smart cities, blockchain applications, and quantum communications in space, among others. Its payment platforms are increasingly adopted along the entire Silk Road. The genesis of this book was to discover an "Apollo Program" for the US to catch up in these areas, but we discovered a much deeper need for a social/mental health Apollo Program for millennials who are bogged down by a host of under-appreciated and intertwined issues which cause anxiety and alienation and lead to massive losses in workplace productivity. This book proposes two Apollo programs — one for tech and one for millennials — by a millennial. Strategies for cracking the highly competitive Chinese Super App ecommerce market are also revealed.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703533>

Malaysia's Student Loan Company : Takling the PTPTN Time Bomb / Wan Saiful Wan Jan (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng

Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 5, 2020

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), 2020

40p

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881678

1. Student loans – Malaysia.
2. Perbadanan Tabung Pendidikan Tinggi Nasional.

3. Debts, Public – Malaysia.

4. Education, Higher – Malaysia – Finance.

\$ 9.00 / PB

80gm.

The Malaysian National Higher Education Fund Corporation (PTPTN) was set up in 1997. Since then, it has accumulated a massive debt amounting to RM40 billion in principal plus RM13 billion in interest. All these are guaranteed by the Malaysian government.

It is now the biggest provider of student loans in the country and continues to play a very important role in catalysing socio-economic mobility, especially among the ethnic Malays which is the majority community in the country.

However, the business model employed by PTPTN is irrational and unsustainable. It borrows from the financial market at, on average, 4 to 5 per cent, and lends to students at 1 per cent. No serious effort has been made to revamp this model, and all public discussions around it have been driven by political populism.

The biggest challenge is the low repayment rate. This problem has been ignored because Malaysian politicians of all colours have wanted to maintain popularity. Collecting debt is certainly not popular.

PTPTN, under a new leadership since mid-2018, gathered and developed ideas on how to reform their organization. These ideas have been presented to various levels of government, including to the Cabinet in early 2020.

PTPTN must be reformed to avoid its debt from inflating further. Whether the Malaysian government has the much-needed political will to push through the reforms is a question yet to be answered.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702642>

Renewable Energy : Malaysia's Climate Change Solution or Placebo? / Serina Rahman (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute),
2020

28p.

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814459952

Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 11, 2020

1. Energy policy – Malaysia.
2. Renewable energy sources – Malaysia.
3. Climatic changes – Government policy – Malaysia.

\$ 9.00 / PB

74gm.

Several initiatives under myriad governments have been launched to reduce Malaysia's climate change impacts; among those has been the emphasis on renewable energy. This book explores this issue.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712805>

The Trouble with Foreign Workers / Alex Au
Singapore: Epigram Books, 2020

48p.

9789814845083

Rational Conversations Series

1. Foreign workers – Singapore.
2. Foreign workers – Government policy – Singapore.
3. Foreign workers -

\$ 6.00 / PB

48gm.

Activist and vice president of Transient Workers Count Too (TWC2), Alex Au explores Singapore's addiction to cheap labour, and the consequences it has on the vulnerable migrant worker community.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712806>

History

Beyond Bicentennial : Perspectives on Malays / (Eds) Zainul Abidin Rasheed, Wan Hussin Zohri & Norshahril Saat
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2020
xxx, 790p.

Includes Bibliographical references.

9789811213090

1. Malays (Asian people) – Social aspects – Singapore.
2. Malays (Asian people) – Singapore – History.
3. Singapore – History.
4. Singapore – Historiography.

\$ 40.00 / PB

1380gm.

The year 2019 marks Singapore's Bicentennial milestone since the arrival of Sir Stamford Raffles in Singapore in 1819. It was in anticipation of the arrival of the Bicentennial that this book, *Beyond Bicentennial: Perspectives on Malays*, was initiated. This book is a collection of articles from prominent individuals and academicians that touch not only on the 200 years since the arrival of Raffles, but goes back much earlier, 720 years earlier, when Sang Nila Utama first set foot on the island in 1299.

This book hopes to heighten the readers' sense of history and to reflect upon how Singapore has journeyed over the last two centuries, witnessing the perseverance, trials, challenges, and efforts of Singaporeans, and to see how the nation has gone through a transformation from a feudal setting to a cosmopolitan and multi-racial society.

Prior to this book, *Majulah! 50 Years of Malay/Muslim Community in Singapore* was published in 2016 when Singapore celebrated SG50 — an initiative launched to celebrate the nation's 50 years of independence. The book highlighted the progress, the contributions, and the challenges of the community for the past 50 years since Singapore's independence in 1965.

Both books can be read hand-in-hand. While *Majulah! 50 Years of Malay/Muslim Community in Singapore* called on the

community to reflect on the past and to look ahead, this book, *Beyond Bicentennial: Perspectives on Malays*, calls on readers to reflect and re-examine the position and contributions of the Malays to Singapore's history and its development, as Singapore commemorates its Bicentennial.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=653828>

A History of Modern Singapore 1819-2005 / C.M. Turnbull
New Edition

Singapore: NUS Press, 2020

xvi, 764p.

Includes Index

9789813251168

1. Singapore – History.

\$ 45.00 / PB

728gm.

C.M. Turnbull's one-volume history of Singapore has been an essential resource since its first edition was published in 1977. Revised fully twice, in 1989 and 2006, it remains irreplaceable, even as new research has widened the vistas with which to understand the island city state, over a longer time-period and in broader contexts. In particular, Turnbull's History provides a solid foundation for understanding of the 200-year trajectory from modern colonial outpost to world city.

While many modern studies focus on current affairs or very recent events, with most attention to Singapore's successful transition from the developing to the developed world, Turnbull's History sets out the key elements of Singapore's colonial experience, under the East India Company and the British Crown. It is a past which has come under more scrutiny since Singapore devoted considerable resources to marking the bicentennial of the founding of Singapore in 1819. This new edition presents the standard history in a new and more affordable format for students, teachers and those fascinated by the many stories of changing Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712807>

Literature

Why Now? : Poems / Neil Daswani

Singapore: Kitaab (Kitaab International Ltd), 2020

64p.

9789811458255

\$ 20.00 / PB

158gm.

In his debut book of poetry, Why Now?, Neil Daswani takes you on an eclectic journey signposted by references to Norse and Greek mythology; poetry from the Tang dynasty; Buddhist philosophy and Korean phonetics; the power of wild nature; humour as well as grief and bereavement. His poems on Covid-19 search for hope in unity.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702514>

Seen and Felt : We Need No Interpreter. Art has a language of its own! / Neil Daswani & Five Korean Artists

Singapore: Kitaab (Kitaab International Ltd), 2020

80p.

9789811461866

\$ 25.00 / PB

142gm.

"Painting is poetry that is seen rather than felt and poetry is painting that is felt rather than seen." – Leonardo da Vinci

Seen & Felt, is a first-of-its-kind collaboration between five of South Korea's renowned contemporary artists and Singaporean poet, Neil Daswani. Together they have created a synthesis of paintings and poetry.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702515>

Food Republic : A Singapore Literary Banquet / (Eds) Ann Ang,
Daryl Lim Wei Jie & Tse Hao Guang
Singapore: Landmark Books Pte Ltd, 2020
216p.
9789811458569
\$ 25.00 / PB
274gm.

Food Republic is a generous serving of Singapore's food culture: from the making and eating of food, to the sale and hawking of it, our love and hate of it, and the effects of its consumption and deprivation.

Food has always been our safe space, our comfort zone: a place where we could freely engage in heated arguments about the best nasi lemak, the most fragrant cendol and whether the standard of the stall has dropped or not. Yet this anthology, featuring more than one hundred literary explorations of our food and food culture, also shows that when people write about food, they often aren't just talking about food but usually about something else, closer to the heart. Or the bone.

Curated from previously published work and selections from an open call, the poems, fiction and non-fiction in Food Republic range from the passionately realised to tantalisingly surreal. Think of it as a buffet, a banquet, an omakase, a smorgasbord, a nasi padang spread, a thali or a rijsttafel – we hope we've assembled one to your taste. Come. Eat.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712808>

Politics

The Power of a People / Kuik Shiao-Yin

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2019

48p. ; 120x175mm.

9789814845021

Rational Conversation Series

1. Social problems – Singapore.
2. Political participation – Singapore.
3. Singapore – Politics and government – Social aspects.
4. Singapore – Social policy.

\$ 6.00/ PB

48gm.

Former Nominated Member of Parliament Kuik Shiao-Yin shares the concerns of young voters and how a new generation of leaders can rise up to serve them.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681466>

A Manifesto for Arts Funding / Alfian Sa'at

Singapore : Epigram Books, 2019

41p.

9789814845007

Rational Conversations

1. Art and State - Singapore
2. Singapore - Cultural Policy
3. Government Aid to the Arts - Singapore
4. Art Patronage - Singapore

\$ 6.00 / PB

40gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681465>

The Silhouette of Oppression / Kirsten Han

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2019

48p. ; 120x175mm.

9789814845069

Rational Conversation Series

1. Government and the press – Singapore.
2. Journalism – Political aspects – Singapore.
3. Social participation - Singapore.

\$ 6.00/ PB

48gm.

ID: 681468

Activist and journalist Kirsten Han examines the relationship between government and political journalists in Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681468>

China Is Messing with Your Mind / Bilahari Kausikan

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2019

48p. ; 120x175mm.

9789814845045

Rational Conversation Series

1. Singapore – Foreign relations - China.
2. China – Foreign relations – Singapore.
3. Identity politics – Singapore.
4. Singapore – Politics and government – 21st century.

\$ 6.00/ PB

50gm.

Former diplomat Bilahari Kausikan highlights two global trends that can shape Singapore's future—identity politics and the rise of China—and how China is using them to influence the Singapore identity.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681467>

Southeast Asian Affairs 2020 / (Ed) Malcolm Cook & Daljit Singh

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), 2020

xi, 428p.

9789814881302

1. Southeast Asia – Periodicals.

\$ 49.90 / HB

896gm.

“Southeast Asian Affairs, first published in 1974, continues today to be required reading for not only scholars but the general public interested in in-depth analysis of critical cultural, economic and political issues in Southeast Asia. In this annual review of the region, renowned academics provide comprehensive and stimulating commentary that furthers understanding of not only the region’s dynamism but also of its tensions and conflicts. It is a must read.” – Suchit Bunbongkarn, Emeritus Professor, Chulalongkorn University

“Now in its forty-seventh edition, Southeast Asian Affairs offers an indispensable guide to this fascinating region. Lively, analytical, authoritative, and accessible, there is nothing comparable in quality or range to this series. It is a must read for academics, government officials, the business community, the media, and anybody with an interest in contemporary Southeast Asia. Drawing on its unparalleled network of researchers and commentators, ISEAS is to be congratulated for producing this major contribution to our understanding of this diverse and fast-changing region, to a consistently high standard and in a timely manner.” – Hal Hill, H.W. Arndt Professor of Southeast Asian Economies, Australian National University

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=696397>

Non-Traditional Security Issues in ASEAN : Agendas for Action
/ (Ed) Mely Caballero-Anthony & Lina Gong
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute),
2020

x, 354p.

Includes Index

9789814881081

1. National security – Southeast Asia.
2. Human security – Southeast Asia.

\$ 32.00 / PB

462gm.

The book takes an issue-specific approach to investigating how ASEAN states and societies govern many of the pressing non-traditional security issues, such as climate change, food security, environmental protection, humanitarian assistance and disaster response, health security, nuclear security, and human trafficking and forced displacement.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712809>

Terrorism in Indonesia After “Islamic State” / Quinton Temby
(Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute),
2020

32p.

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881586

Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 3, 2020

1. Religious militants – Indonesia.
2. Violence – Religious aspects – Islam – Indonesia.
3. IS (Organization).
4. Return migrants – Indonesia.
5. Terrorism – Political aspects – Indonesia.

\$ 9.00 / PB

68gm.

The emergence of the Islamic State (IS) movement in Indonesia in 2014 re-energized violent extremism in Indonesia. As a result of effective counterterrorism policing, however, IS networks have been decimated and the structure of jihadism

in Indonesia has shifted from organizations to autonomous networks and cells, increasingly organized via the Internet. Although support for violent extremism in Indonesia remains marginal, cells of IS followers maintain a low-level capacity to conduct lethal attacks against civilian and government targets.

Most IS operations in Indonesia are sporadic and low-level attacks against the Indonesian police. Religious minorities have also been high-profile targets, as in the Surabaya church suicide bombings of 13 May 2018. There are some indications, however, of militants' renewed interest in attacking foreign targets, such as tourists on the resort island of Bali.

IS returnees from the Middle East have begun to play a role in recent attacks. The presence of this population in Indonesia raises the risk of militant capabilities being enhanced above their current relatively low level. Most returnees are women and children, and the increasing involvement of this cohort in IS attacks promises to complicate counterterrorism operations. The rise of pro-IS charities in Indonesia, poised to service returnees and reintegrate them into Indonesia's jihadist community, further exacerbates this problem.

The overall threat of terrorism to the Indonesian state and to the stability of the Joko Widodo administration remains low. Surprise attacks by unknown cells, however, have the potential to shock the Indonesian political system, provoking government repression of Islamists and exacerbating political polarization and community tensions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702625>

The Free and Open Indo-Pacific Beyond 2020 : Similarities and Difference between the Trump Administration and a Democrat White House / John Lee (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute),
2020
44p.

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881692

Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 6, 2020

1. Geopolitics – Indo-Pacific Region.
2. United States – Foreign relations – China.
3. China – Foreign relations – United States.
4. Indo-Pacific Region – Strategic aspects.
5. United States – Politics and government – 2017

\$ 9.00 / PB

88gm.

American Indo-Pacific policy will be driven by its China policy, regardless of whether there is a second-term Donald Trump administration or a first-term Joe Biden administration. This book reflects on this issue.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702626>

From Tao Guang Yang Hui To Xin Xing : China's Complex Foreign Policy Transformation and Southeast Asia / Pang Zhongying (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute),
2020
36p.

Includes Bibliographical references

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881807

Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 7, 2020

1. China – Foreign relations – 20th century.
2. China – Foreign relations – 21st century.

\$ 9.00 / PB

72gm.

Traces China's foreign policy transformation from 2013 to the present. The book also examines Deng Xiaoping's doctrinal

response to the political crises of 1989-1991 and compares it to current Chinese foreign policy doctrines.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712810>

Party Mergers in Myanmar : A New Development / Su Mon Thant (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), 2020

52p.

Includes Bibliographical references

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881784

Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 8, 2020

1. Political parties – Myanmar.
2. Politics, Practical – Myanmar.
3. Myanmar – Politics and government – 1988-

\$ 9.00 / PB

100gm.

Party mergers are a new development in Myanmar politics. Given that such mergers often assist the consolidation of new democratic regimes, some broader system-wide effects may also occur. This volume examines this new phenomenon.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712811>

Advocacy in a Time of Change : Business Associations and the Pakatan Harapan Government in Malaysia, 2018-20 / Michael T. Schaper (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), 2020

48p.

Includes Bibliographical references

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881821

Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 9, 2020

1. Trade associations – Political aspects – Malaysia.

\$ 9.00 / PB

92gm.

There are at least 80-100 business associations in Malaysia today, representing over 600,000 firms. In February to April 2020, a range of chamber leaders and officers were interviewed to record their experiences of the recent Pakatan Harapan administration, and any future lessons for business associations in post GE-14 Malaysia.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703192>

Why Did Bersatu Leave Pakatan Harapan? / Wan Saiful Wan Jan (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), 2020
52p.

Includes Bibliographical references

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881890

Trends in Southeast Asia, Issue No. 10, 2020

1. Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia.
2. Pakatan Harapan (Malaysia).
3. Electoral coalitions – Malaysia.
4. Malaysia – Politics and government.
5. Malaysia – Ethnic relations – Political aspects.

\$ 9.00 / PB

98gm.

The Pakatan Harapan coalition won Malaysia's 14th general election on 9 May 2018, the first time a regime change took place in the country. However, it lost its majority in late February 2020, when Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia left the coalition. This book explores why.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712812>

Psychology

Combating A Crisis : The Psychology of Singapore's Response to COVID-19 / David Chan

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2020

xiv, 186p.

9789811220555

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498gm.

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