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Vietnam: Rethinking the State / Martin Gainsborough  
Chiang Mai, Thailand: Silkworm Books, 2010  
xiv. 224p. ; 22cm.  
ISBN-13: 9781848133105  
\$ 29.50

Vietnam: Rethinking the State offers an exciting and up-to-date look at the politics of this fascinating country as it seeks to make the transition from a war-torn economic backwater to a dynamic modern society. Martin Gainsborough argues for a move away from the idea of 'reform' as commonly understood and towards a deeper understanding of the concept, questioning the idea of state retreat. The result is a path-breaking book that gets beneath the surface of Vietnam's politics in a way few outsiders have done.  
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The People's Republic of China Today: Internal and External Challenges / Zhiquan Zhu (Editor)  
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2011  
xxiv. 447p. ; 23cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814313506 (HB)  
\$ 140.00

Despite the significant progress it has achieved, China faces daunting challenges today. These challenges include a rigid political system, uneven economic growth, a graying population, environmental degradation, ethnic tensions, potential social instability, and a poor international image, among others. This book aims to make a significant contribution to the understanding of key challenges China faces today as it strives to become a global power. Contributed by scholars and experts in political science, international relations, economics, public administration, history, mass communication, psychology, and diplomacy, the book focuses on the efforts needed by China to grow in a sustainable manner and become a respected global power.  
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State and Civil Society: The Chinese Perspective / Deng Zhenglai (Editor)  
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2011  
xxvii. 424p. ; 23cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814313575 (HB)  
Series on Developing China Volume 2  
\$ 125.00

This volume, the second instalment in the Series on Developing China — Translated Research from China, contains a collection of the most outstanding academic articles written by prestigious Chinese scholars of humanities and social sciences in the past three decades. The volume aims to present to international readers a comprehensive discussion on state and civil society, contextualized in the Chinese perspectives.

Important questions are posed, within the context of Chinese national conditions, particularities and histories, to the validity, applicability and viability of the state and civil society paradigm in the Western academia. The in-depth analysis of state and civil society, as accomplished in the volume, includes not only theoretical reflections, but also historical studies and empirical examinations. In the past, research done by Chinese scholars has not been adequately represented in English due to the language barrier. This translated volume shall in no small way supplement the global discourse on state and civil society with the voices from within China.

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China's Political System / Yin Zhongqing ; Translated by Wang Pingxing  
Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2010

180p. ; 23cm.

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30 Years of Reform & Opening-Up: Evolution & Prospects of China's International Environment & Its Foreign Affairs – Paper from the Forum on International Situation 2008 / Ma Zhengang

Beijing: World Affairs Press, 2009

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Selected Works of Jiang Zemin Volume 1

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China's Diplomacy / Zhang Qingmin  
Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2010  
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Since the establishment of the People's Republic of China in 1949, China has consistently pursued the independent foreign policy of peace, and insisted on the friendly exchanges with other countries in the world on the basis of Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence. After more than 60 years of experience, China accumulated rich experience in its foreign affairs and gained great achievements. Under the new international and domestic situation, China will continue to keep on the path of peaceful development; the Chinese people will continue to make unremitting efforts to realize the beautiful ideal of mankind together with peoples from other countries.

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China's National Defense / Peng Guanqian, Zhao Zhiyin & Luo Yong ; Translated by Ma Chenguang & Yan Shuang  
2nd Edition  
Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2010  
154p. ; 23cm.  
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The China Model: A Dialogue Between East and West / Zhao Qizheng, John Naisbitt & Doris Naisbitt  
Beijing: New World Press, 2010  
127p. ; 24cm.  
ISBN-13: 9787510410857  
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This fascinating discussion between the former Chinese minister of the State Council Information Office of China and Futurists and China experts John and Doris Naisbitt provides fresh insights into the thinking of the Chinese leadership about why they continue to call themselves Communists, how they see Tibet, the Dalai Lama, China and democracy, and why they do not consider themselves a model for the rest of the world, and views that are very far from what many Westerners think when they think of the Chinese leadership in Beijing.

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North Korea in Distress: Confronting Domestic and External Challenges / Haksoon PAIK  
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Korea: The Sejong Institute, 2008  
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New Dynamics between China and Japan in Asia: How to Build the Future from the Past?  
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This book is a study of ties between China and Japan and their Asian counterparts. It does not therefore directly treat bilateral relations between these powers, as these already constitute the subject of many other studies. A lengthy perspective has been taken into account in order to recall past legacies, some of which are still painfully contentious, and to record evolutions in attitudes and strategies vis-à-vis Asian countries

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Hiroshima & Peace / Carol Rinnert, Omar Farouk & Inoue Yasuhiro (Edited)

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Burma or Myanmar? The Struggle for National Identity / Lowell Dittmer

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2010

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Burma, also known as Myanmar, strategically located between China and India, is one of the largest and most richly endowed states in Southeast Asia. Yet it remains both economically and politically underdeveloped. Why is this so? We argue that much of the reason has to do with an ongoing struggle for national identity. This struggle involves not only whether the state should be authoritarian or democratic, but how Burma's myriad ethnic minorities should be accommodated within it, what external reference national reference groups the country should identify and align with, and how it should move forward. Identity formation normally occurs much earlier in the national developmental process, but Burma has had unusually intransigent problems that were never successfully resolved during the colonial period and have simply been suppressed by force since then. This protracted divisiveness has stunted the nation's modernization and growth.

Written from a unique perspective, this book on Myanmar deviates from the traditional authoritarian versus democratic rhetoric. Although that is certainly part of the picture, this multifaceted analysis focuses rather on the issue of identity formation — an issue that has all too often failed to make the headlines. Much can be learned from Myanmar's identity problems.

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Selangor: SUARAM KOMMUNIKASI, 2010

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Between UMNO and A Hard Place: The Najib Razak Era Begins / Ooi Kee Beng

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Enough time has passed, and enough key events have taken place for the contours of the administration of Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak to be apparent. While it has flirted openly with reforms, and has used phrases otherwise used by the opposition, its sincerity - and its capability - is still in doubt.

More than that, it is not as yet clear how convinced the government actually is about the need for institutional reforms, especially when the institutions in need of reform include the police, the anti-corruption agency, the judiciary and the dominant party, UMNO. With a new coalition opposing him in parliament, Najib comes to power wedged between his own coalition's aged traditions and the restive spirit of the times. Whether he can squeeze his way into a comfortable spot and stay in power is the question the coming years will answer.

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Najib's Answers: Solving Yesterday's Problems, Today's Conflicts and Tomorrow's Challenges / Manja Ismail, Khairil Annas Jusoh & Mazri Muhammad (Editors)

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