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***During and after the Second***

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***World War, public intellectuals in Britain and the United States grappled with concerns about the future of democracy, the prospects of liberty, and the decline of the imperial system. Without using the term***

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***"globalization," they identified a shift toward technological, economic, cultural, and political interconnectedness and developed a "globalist" ideology to reflect this new postwar reality. The Emergence of***

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***Globalism examines the competing visions of world order that shaped these debates and led to the development of globalism as a modern political concept. Shedding critical light on this neglected chapter in the***

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***history of political thought, Or  
Rosenboim describes how a  
transnational network of  
globalist thinkers emerged from  
the traumas of war and  
expatriation in the 1940s and  
how their ideas drew widely from***

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***political philosophy, geopolitics, economics, imperial thought, constitutional law, theology, and philosophy of science. She presents compelling portraits of Raymond Aron, Owen Lattimore, Lionel Robbins, Barbara***

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***Wootton, Friedrich Hayek, Lionel Curtis, Richard McKeon, Michael Polanyi, Lewis Mumford, Jacques Maritain, Reinhold Niebuhr, H.G. Wells, and others. Rosenboim shows how the globalist debate they embarked***

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***on sought to balance the tensions between a growing recognition of pluralism on the one hand and an appreciation of the unity of humankind on the other."--Dust jacket  
Geopolitics is the study of how***



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***the projection of power  
(ideological, cultural, economic,  
or military) is effected and  
affected by the geographic and  
political landscape in which it  
operates. Despite the real world  
relevance of geopolitics, a***

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***common understanding of what classical geopolitics is and how it works still lies beyond the reach of both researchers and practitioners. In Classical Geopolitics, Phil Kelly attempts to build a common theoretical***

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***model, incorporating a host of variables that reflect the complexity of the modern geopolitical stage. He then analyzes thirteen pivotal but widely differing historical events stretching from the***

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***Peloponnesian War to World War II, from the fall of the British and Soviet empires to the contemporary diplomacy of South America. Through this analysis, Kelly tests the efficacy of his model as a comprehensive***

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***geopolitical analytical tool that  
can be used across a broad  
spectrum of geopolitical  
contexts and events.***

***Geopolitical conditions influence  
all strategic behaviour - even  
when cooperation among***

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***different kinds of military power is expected as the norm, action has to be planned and executed in specific physical environments. The geographical world cannot be avoided, and it happens to be 'organized' into***

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***land, sea, air and space - and possibly the electromagnetic spectrum including 'cyberspace'. Although the meaning of geography for strategy is a perpetual historical theme, explicit theory on the subject is***

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***only one hundred years old. Ideas about the implication of geographical, especially spatial, relationships for political power - which is to say 'geopolitics'- flourished early in the twentieth century. Divided into theory and***



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***practice sections, this volume covers the big names such as Mackinder, Mahan and Haushofer, as well as looking back at the vital influence of weather and geography on naval power in the long age of sail***

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***(sixteenth to nineteenth centuries). It also looks forward to the consequences of the revival of geopolitics in post-Soviet Russia and the new space-based field of "astropolitics". From one of the most admired***

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***admirals of his generation -- and the only admiral to serve as Supreme Allied Commander at NATO -- comes a remarkable voyage through all of the world's most important bodies of water, providing the story of naval***

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***power as a driver of human history and a crucial element in our current geopolitical path. From the time of the Greeks and the Persians clashing in the Mediterranean, sea power has determined world power. To an***

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***extent that is often  
underappreciated, it still does.  
No one understands this better  
than Admiral Jim Stavridis. In  
Sea Power, Admiral Stavridis  
takes us with him on a tour of the  
world's oceans from the***

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***admiral's chair, showing us how the geography of the oceans has shaped the destiny of nations, and how naval power has in a real sense made the world we live in today, and will shape the world we live in tomorrow. Not***

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***least, Sea Power is marvelous  
naval history, giving us fresh  
insight into great naval  
engagements from the battles of  
Salamis and Lepanto through to  
Trafalgar, the Battle of the  
Atlantic, and submarine conflicts***

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***of the Cold War. It is also a keen-eyed reckoning with the likely sites of our next major naval conflicts, particularly the Arctic Ocean, Eastern Mediterranean, and the South China Sea. Finally, Sea Power steps back to take a***



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***holistic view of the plagues to our oceans that are best seen that way, from piracy to pollution. When most of us look at a globe, we focus on the shape of the of the seven continents. Admiral Stavridis***

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***sees the shapes of the seven seas. After reading Sea Power, you will too. Not since Alfred Thayer Mahan's legendary The Influence of Sea Power upon History have we had such a powerful reckoning with this vital***

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**subject.**

***Indo-Pacific Strategies***

***A New Analytical Model***

***The Emergence of Globalism***

***Age of Iron***

***Sea Power***

***The Geopolitics of the Nuclear***

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***Era***

***The Uses Of History For Decision  
Makers***

The United States is currently engaged in building and justifying its Empire. In doing this it draws upon a set of ideas

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that have come to be known as Geopolitics. These ideas have been current with many other ideologists of Empire, from Edwardian Britain, to Nazi Germany, to Soviet Russia, to Cold War USA, to post-Soviet

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Russia. This book examines the long entanglement between ideas of Geopolitics and the ideology and practices of Empire tracing these matters back to the true founder of Geopolitics, a British

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geographer of the early-twentieth century, Halford Mackinder. His was an eventful life, and he was at various times an explorer, the leader of a mission to displace the Bolshevik regime from Russia in

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1919, an MP, and the Director of the London School of Economics. The book also considers how these ideas are used to justify the Neo-Conservative view of foreign policy in the United States



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today. It ends by proposing an alternative, more progressive version of Geopolitics.

At the outset of the 1980's NATO decided to extend the scientific program of its Scientific Affairs Division to

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include the social sciences.  
Strategic and international  
studies were included within  
this domain with the express  
purpose of facilitating  
communication among experts  
and research centers in member

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coun tries as well as in the Organization itself on these important topics. This study is the result of the first Advanced Research Workshop on a subject of international relations. It focuses on the

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historical and theoretical aspects of geopolitics because they must necessarily precede studies of policy application. This was the intent of the organizers of the Workshop as well as of the sponsoring

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institution. The choice of the topic was ours. Conclusions were drawn according to our own judgments--being totally unfettered by any guidance from NATO officials.

Consequently, the views and

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conclusions presented in this work do not represent any NATO policy; other than the encouragement of research in political freedom, by free scholars, to strengthen freedom everywhere. We speak for all

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participants in the Workshop when we voice our appreciation for the financial and organizational support extended us by the Scientific Affairs Division and the Information Directorate.

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Both a historical analysis and a call to arms, this is the comprehensive policy guide to understanding and engaging in the geopolitics of Eurasia. • Five maps showing Mackinder's Heartland of the World Island,



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Kennan's Containment of the  
World Island, Pilsudski's  
Prometheism, Pilsudski's  
Intermarum, and Petersen's  
21st Century Geopolitical  
Strategy for Eurasia •  
Illustrations • A chronology

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This book defines Eurasianism, a political idea with a long tradition, for a new century. Historically, Eurasia was depicted as a “ third continent ” with a geographical and historical space distinctively

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different from both Europe and Asia. Today, the concept is mobilized by the Russian foreign policy elite to imagine a close relationship with China and indirectly inspires the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative. A

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Russian-Chinese partnership forms the core of a new Eurasian region, yet Turkey, India, Hungary, Central Asia and the other parts of the supercontinent are also embracing Eurasian concepts.

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This book is of interest to scholars of Russian and Chinese foreign policy, to economists, and to scholars of political thought.

Parameters

The Second World

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Foreign Affairs Strategy  
Geography, Economics and  
Politics in Southern Africa  
Mackinder and the Defence of  
the West  
The History and Geopolitics of  
the World's Oceans

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The Struggle for the Eurasian  
Borderlands

**“A convincing case that  
careful analysis of the  
history, issues, individuals,  
and institutions can lead to  
better decisions—in**

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**business as well as in  
government”  
(BusinessWeek). Two noted  
professors offer easily  
remembered rules for using  
history effectively in day-to-  
day management of**



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**governmental and  
corporate affairs to avoid  
costly blunders. “An  
illuminating guide to the  
use and abuse of history in  
affairs of state” (Arthur  
Schlesinger).**

**Eurasianism: An Ideology  
for the Multipolar World  
investigates the ideology of  
Eurasianism, a political  
doctrine that founds its  
principles on geopolitics  
and conservatism.**

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**Specifically, the book examines neo-Eurasianist thought and its implications for the international system. After collocating Eurasianism in the spectrum of**

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**conservative theories, the  
research analyzes its  
historical evolution from  
the early 20th century to  
its contemporary  
manifestations. Pizzolo  
describes the liaison**

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**between Eurasianism and geopolitics, describing the nature of geopolitics and the main theories that highlight the relevance of the Eurasian landmass, including Mackinder's**

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**"Heartland theory",  
Spykman's "Rimland  
theory", and Haushofer's  
"Kontinentalblock" project.  
The book also focuses on  
the central elements of the  
neo-Eurasianist ideology,**

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**including the key features of the so-called "Fourth Political Theory", arguing that Eurasianism could represent a theoretical contribution for the advent of the multipolar world.**

**A comparative study of the relationship between the end of the Cold War and the resurgence of geopolitics in Europe.**

**Less than a year after the United States entered the**



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**Second World War,  
Nicholas Spykman wrote a  
book that placed the war  
effort in the broader  
context of the 1940s global  
balance of power. In  
America's Strategy in World**

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**Politics, Spykman examined world politics from a realist geopolitical perspective. The United States, he explained, was fighting for its very survival as an independent country**

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**because the conquests of  
Germany and Japan raised  
the specter of our  
geopolitical encirclement  
by hostile forces controlling  
the power centers of  
Europe, the Middle East,**

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**and East Asia. Spykman  
warned that the United  
States could not safely  
retreat to a defensive  
position in the Western  
Hemisphere. Spykman  
looked beyond the**

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**immediate strategic requirements of the Second World War, envisioning a postwar world in which the United States would help shape the global balance of power to meet its security**

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**needs. Even though Soviet Russia was our wartime ally, Spykman recognized that a geopolitically unbalanced Soviet Union could threaten to upset the postwar balance of power**

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**and thereby endanger U.S. security. Spykman also foresaw the rise of China in postwar Asia, and the likely need for the United States to ally itself with Japan to balance China's power. He**

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**also recognized that the Middle East would play a pivotal role in the postwar world. Spykman influenced American postwar statesmen and strategists. During the Cold War, the**



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**U.S. sought to deny the Soviet Union political control of Western Europe, the Middle East, and East Asia. Spykman's geopolitical vision of U.S. security, supported by a**

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**balanced Eurasian land mass, coupled with his focus on power as the governing force in international relations, makes America's Strategy in World Politics relevant to**

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**the twenty-first century.  
Classical Geopolitics  
An Ideology for the  
Multipolar World  
Geopolitics and Empire  
The Return of Eurasia  
Navigating Geopolitics at**

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**the Dawn of a New Age**  
**The Geopolitics of Regional**  
**Power**  
**Geopolitics, Geography and**  
**Strategic History**

*For decades, the prevailing sentiment  
was that, since geography is*

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*unchangeable, there is no reason why public policies should take it into account. In fact, charges that geographic interpretations of development were deterministic, or even racist, made the subject a virtual taboo in academic and policymaking circles alike. 'Is Geography Destiny?' challenges that premise and*

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*joins a growing body of literature studying the links between geography and development. Focusing on Latin America, the book argues that based on a better understanding of geography, public policy can help control or channel its influence toward the goals of economic and social development.*

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*What is Soviet-American competition all about? Is the Soviet Union a security problem that the United States must solve? Or is it an insecurity condition with which the U.S. must learn to live -- and if so, on what terms? What kind of a player is the United States in the great game of power politics? In The*

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*Geopolitics of Super Power, one of our most respected strategic theorists answers these and other questions. In geopolitical terms, Colin Gray sees the Soviet-American antagonism as an enduring contest between a continental empire and a maritime coalition, each with its distinctive character and purposes. Gray*



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*explores the roots of the American style in foreign policy and strategy, and how that style relates to defense options. He identifies four broad alternatives for U.S. national security policy: passive and active means of containment, disengagement from foreign security commitments, and the "rollback" of the*

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*Soviet empire. Gray argues vigorously for active containment, for the systematic deemphasis of nuclear weapons, and for the intelligent use, for deterrence and defense purposes, of the West's great competitive strengths in the political, economic, and technological spheres. In this book, O' Tuathail writes about the*

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*politics of the geographical struggle, and about the geography of global politics. It is the first geographical study to tackle geopolitical writing from a poststructuralist position.*

*In the last three decades, Turkey has attempted to build close relationships with Russia, Iran and the Turkic World.*

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*As a result, there has been ongoing debate about the extent to which Turkey's international relations axis is shifting eastwards. Ozgur Tufekci argues that Eurasianist ideology has been fundamental to Turkish foreign policy and continues to have influence today. The author first explores the historical*

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*roots of Eurasianism in the 19th century, comparing this to Neo-Eurasianism and Pan-Slavism. The Ozal era (1983-1993), the Cem era (1997-2002) and Davutoglu era (since 2003) are then examined to reveal how foreign policy making has been informed by discourses of Eurasianism, and how Eurasianist ideas*

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*were implemented through internal and external socio-economic and political factors.*

*Multipolarity and the Revolution in Strategic Perspective  
Heartland, Rimlands, and the Technological Revolution*

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*The Social and Foreign Policy Vision of  
Geopolitics in the Twentieth Century*

*The Legacy of Halford Mackinder  
Global Geostrategy*

*Raising Cartographic Consciousness*

This volume identifies and  
evaluates the relationship  
between outer-space

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geography and geographic position (astrogeography), and the evolution of current and future military space strategy. In doing so, it explores five primary propositions.  
"Age of Iron attempts to



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describe the past, present, and possible future of conservative nationalism in American foreign policy. It argues that a kind of conservative US nationalism long predates the Trump presidency, and goes

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back to the American founding. Different aspects of conservative American nationalism have been incorporated into the Republican Party from its creation. Every Republican

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president since Theodore Roosevelt has tried to balance elements of this tradition with global US foreign policy priorities. Donald Trump was able to win his party's nomination and rise to the

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presidency, in part, by challenging liberal internationalist assumptions. Yet in practice, he too has combined nationalist assumptions with global US foreign policy priorities. The

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long-term trend within the Republican party, predating Trump, is toward political populism, cultural conservatism, and white working-class voters -- and this has international implications.

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Republican foreign policy nationalism is not about to disappear. The book concludes with recommendations for US foreign policy, based upon an understanding that the optimism of the post-Cold War

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quarter-century is over.

Nationalism; conservatism;  
populism; Trump presidency;  
American foreign policy; liberal  
internationalism; US diplomatic  
history; geopolitics; American  
party politics; the Republican

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Written by one of the world's leading political geographers, this fully revised and updated textbook examines the dramatic changes wrought by ideological and economic



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forces unleashed by the end of the Cold War. Saul Bernard Cohen considers these forces in the context of their human and physical settings and explores their geographical influence on foreign policy and

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international relations.

In the last two decades, various states from the Global South have emerged as important players in international relations. Most popular among them is China.

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Brazil, India and South Africa have also taken essential roles in global and regional politics. Compared to traditional great powers, they can be labelled 'regional great powers' or 'regional powers' because their

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influence is - with the exception of China - concentrated on their neighbourhood. The impact of regions, meaning the impact of geography, on the economics and politics of regional powers

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is surprisingly understudied. This book analyses how geographical conditions influence the regional economics and politics of South Africa, allowing the author to delineate its region of

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influence.

The World Island: Eurasian  
Geopolitics and the Fate of the  
West

Essays on Reshaping the Indo-  
Pacific

Empires and Influence in the

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New Global Order

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Policy Identity Crises

Astropolitik

Classical Geopolitics in the  
Space Age

The Geopolitics Of Super Power

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NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER •

In this provocative,  
startling book, Robert D.  
Kaplan, the bestselling  
author of *Monsoon and Balkan  
Ghosts*, offers a revelatory  
new prism through which to  
view global upheavals and to



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understand what lies ahead  
for continents and countries  
around the world.

Bestselling author Robert D.  
Kaplan builds on the  
insights, discoveries, and  
theories of great  
geographers and geopolitical

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thinkers of the recent and distant past to look back at critical pivots in history and then to look forward at the evolving global scene. Kaplan traces the history of the world's hot spots by examining their climates,

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topographies, and  
proximities to other  
embattled lands. He then  
applies the lessons learned  
to the present crises in  
Europe, Russia, China, the  
Indian Subcontinent, Turkey,  
Iran, and the Arab Middle

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East. The result is a holistic interpretation of the next cycle of conflict throughout Eurasia, a visionary glimpse into a future that can be understood only in the context of temperature, land

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allotment, and other physical certainties. A brilliant rebuttal to thinkers who suggest that globalism will trump geography, this indispensable work shows how timeless truths and natural

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facts can help prevent this century's looming cataclysms. Praise for The Revenge of Geography “ [An] ambitious and challenging new book . . . [The Revenge of Geography] displays a formidable grasp of

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contemporary world politics and serves as a powerful reminder that it has been the planet's geophysical configurations, as much as the flow of competing religions and ideologies, that have shaped human

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conflicts, past and present.”—Malise Ruthven, The New York Review of Books  
“Robert D. Kaplan, the world-traveling reporter and intellectual whose fourteen books constitute a bedrock of penetrating exposition



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and analysis on the post-Cold War world . . . strips away much of the cant that suffuses public discourse these days on global developments and gets to a fundamental reality: that geography remains today, as

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it has been throughout history, one of the most powerful drivers of world events.”—The National Interest “Kaplan plunges into a planetary review that is often thrilling in its sheer scale . . .

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encyclopedic.”—The New Yorker “ [The Revenge of Geography] serves the facts straight up. . . . Kaplan’s realism and willingness to face hard facts make The Revenge of Geography a valuable antidote to the

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feel-good manifestoes that often masquerade as strategic thought.”—The Daily Beast

The Indo-Pacific is fast becoming the world's dominant region. Now, as it grows in power and wealth,

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geopolitical competition has reemerged, threatening future stability not merely in Asia but around the globe. China is aggressive and uncooperative, and increasingly expects the world to bend to its wishes.

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The focus on Sino-US competition for global power has obscured & “Asia's other great game&”: the rivalry between Japan and China. A modernizing India risks missing out on the energies and talents of millions of

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its women, potentially hampering the broader role it can play in the world. And in North Korea, the most frightening question raised by Kim Jong-un's pursuit of the ultimate weapon is also the simplest: Can he control

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his nukes? In Asia's New  
Geopolitics: Essays on  
Reshaping the Indo-Pacific,  
Michael R. Auslin examines  
these and other key issues  
transforming the Indo-  
Pacific and the broader  
world. He also explores the



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history of American strategy in Asia, from the 18th century through today. Taken together, Auslin's essays convey the richness and diversity of the region: with more than three billion people, the Indo-Pacific

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contains over half of the global population, including the world's two most populous nations, India and China. In a riveting final chapter, Auslin imagines a war between America and China in a bid for regional

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hegemony and what this conflict might look like.

This is a book on how to think - strategically - about foreign policy.

Focusing on American foreign policy, this book discusses the national interest as a

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that came to dominate the twentieth century. Until the disintegration of the Soviet Union, western defence strategists feared that one power, or alliance, might come to dominate Eurasia. Admiral

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Mahan discussed this issue in The Problem of Asia (1900) but Mackinder made the most authoritative statement in "The Geographical Pivot of History" (1904). He argued that in the "closed Heart-Land of Euroasia"

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was a strategically placed region, with great resources, that if controlled by one force could be the basis of a World Empire.

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territorial gains at the expense of  
the Russian empire and the  
Soviet Union. In the former



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conflict the Russian empire was defeated by Germany but the western powers insisted that the territorial gains made by Germany, at the treaty of Brest-Litovsk, be given up. In World War II Britain and the US gave

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material support to Stalin ' s  
totalitarian regime to prevent  
Nazi Germany gaining control of  
the territory and resources that  
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dictum (1919) that "Who rules East Europe commands the Heartland," quickly adopted policies to contain the Soviet Union. History has therefore proved Mackinder ' s work to be of vital importance to generations of

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strategic thinking and he remains a key influence in the new millennium. This book will be of great interest to all students and scholars of strategic studies and military history and of geopolitics in particular.

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