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This highly topical book exposes the tensions between state policies of broadcasting regulation and practices of civil society in the Asian region which is struggling with its incorporation into a new globalised, electronic information and entertainment world. Kitley critically compares Western principles of broadcasting, civil society and cultural regulation with alternative 'Asian' practices of

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regulation and organisation. Over the past forty years Asian states have used television as a normative cultural force in nation building, but more recently many states have deregulated their television sectors and introduced national commercial and international satellite services. As Asian states wrestle with a perceived loss of cultural control and identity through deregulation, this book considers their viewpoints and the question of whether the television public sphere offers space for the representation of popular sovereignty, and transversal concerns about human rights, press freedom, gender, environmental and world trade issues.

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What is the network society? What effects does it have upon media, culture and politics? What are the competing forces in the network society, and how are they reshaping the world? The rise of the network society – the suffusion of much of the economy, culture and society with digital interconnectivity – is a development of immense significance. In this innovative book, Robert Hassan unpacks the dynamics of this new information order and shows how they have affected both the way media and politics are ‘played’, and how these are set to reshape and reorder our world. Using many of the current ideas in media theory, cultural studies and the politics of the newly

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evolving 'networked civil society', Hassan argues that the network society is steeped with contradictions and in a state of deep flux. This is a key text for undergraduate students in media studies, politics, cultural studies and sociology, and will be of interest to anyone who wishes to understand the network society and play a part in shaping it.

In recent years civil society has been seen as a key route for democracy promotion and solving development 'problems' in low-income countries. However, the very concept of civil society is deeply rooted in European traditions and values. In pursuing civil society reform in

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non-Western countries, many scholars along with well-meaning international agencies and donor organisations fail to account for non-Western values and historical experiences. Civil Society in the Global South seeks to redress this balance by offering diverse accounts of civil society from the global South, authored by scholars and researchers who are reflecting on their observations of civil society in their own countries. The countries studied in the volume range from across Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Middle East to give a rich account of how countries from the global south conceptualise and construct civil society. The book demonstrates how local

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conditions are often unsuited to the ideal type of civil society as delineated in Western values, for instance in cases where numerous political, racial and ethnic sub-groups are 'fighting' for autonomy. By disentangling local contexts of countries from across the global South, this book demonstrates that it is important to view civil society through the lens of local conditions, rather than viewing it as something that needs to be 'discovered' or 'manufactured' in non-Western societies. Civil Society in the Global South will be particularly useful to high-level students and scholars within development studies, sociology, anthropology, social policy, politics,

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international relations and human geography.

This publication contains a collection of essays which discuss social perspectives on developments in information technology, and has been produced by the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development to mark the first UN World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS). Topics discussed include: gender issues in the information society; community informatics; media developments and democratisation.

Reformatting Politics: Information Technology and Global Civil Society

Ethics and Politics in a Globalizing Era

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Journalism, Democracy and Civil Society in India

The Handbook of Strategic Communication

Civil Society in the Global South

International Encyclopedia of Civil Society

In this first serious work on the theory of civil society to appear in many years, Jean Cohen and Andrew Arato contend that the concept of civil society articulates a contested terrain in the West that could become the primary locus for the expansion of democracy and rights. In this major contribution to contemporary political theory, Jean Cohen and Andrew Arato argue that the concept of civil society articulates

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Explores Linkages Between Communication, Development Planning In India, Literacy, Education, Poverty Alleviation, Health, Population, Human Rights And Development, Environmental Protection, Civil Society And Good Governance. Also Covers World Summit On Sustainable Development. 10 Chapters And 2 Annexures-Glossary And Bibliography.

This book is dedicated to the fundamental question: How do media and communications practices within European cultures change with their environment?

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This volume consists of the intellectual work of the 2015 European Media and Communication Doctoral Summer School, organized in cooperation with the European Communication Research and Education Association (ECREA) and a consortium of 21 European partner universities at the ZeMKI, the Centre for Media, Communication and Information Research of the University of Bremen, Germany. The chapters cover relevant research topics, structured into four sections: ?Policies and politics of communication?, ?Civil participation in and through the media?, ?Media representations and usages? and ?On methods?. The Summer School brings together a group of highly

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qualified doctoral students as well as senior researchers and professors from a diversity of European countries. The main objective of the fourteen-day summer school is to organize an innovative learning process at doctoral level, focusing primarily on enhancing the quality of individual dissertation projects.

This valuable resource offers a wealth of practical and conceptual guidance to all those engaged in struggles for social justice around the world. It explains in accessible language and painstaking detail how to deploy and to understand the tools of media and communication in advancing the goals of social,

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cultural, and political change. A stand-out reference on a vital topic of primary international concern, with a rising profile in communications and media research programs Multinational editorial team and global contributors Covers the history of the field as well as integrating and reconceptualising its diverse perspectives and approaches Provides a fully formed framework of understanding and identifies likely future developments Features a wealth of insights into the critical role of digital media in development communication and social change
Television, Regulation and Civil Society in Asia
Communication in a Civil Society

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Dismantling Cultural Borders Through Social Media and Digital Communications

The Information Game in Democracy

Gender, Power and Knowledge for Development

Development Matters

The UN is able to recognize key global challenges, but beset by difficulties in trying to resolve them. In this, it represents the current global political balance, but is also the only international institution that could move it forward. Civil society can be a catalyst for this kind of change. In this book, Nora McKeon provides a comprehensive analysis of UN

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engagement with civil society. The book pays particular attention to food and agriculture, which now lie at the heart of global governance issues. McKeon shows that politically meaningful space for civil society can be introduced into UN policy dialogue. The United Nations and Civil Society also makes the case that it is only by engaging with organizations which legitimately speak for the 'poor' targeted by the Millennium Development Goals that the UN can promote equitable, sustainable development and build global democracy from the ground up. This book has strong ramifications for

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global governance, civil society and the contemporary debate over the future of food.

This book advances the theoretical, normative and practical understanding of civil society under the conditions of digital mediatization and in relation to a set of particular historical and geopolitical circumstances.

How do community, alternative and citizens media activists and advocates interact with global media policy processes? Are their concerns recognised, and do new forms of multi-stakeholder governance offer a place for them? Focusing on the United

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Nations World Summit on the Information Society, "Civil Society Media and Global Governance" examines agendas and strategies of media actors, traces successes and failures, and proposes a new conceptual framework for the relation of these media with global policy processes.

Civil society is often expected to rise above historical and contemporary socio-economic forces such as the neoliberal economic policy and undertake the transformation of a stratified society to an egalitarian society conducive to democracy. Democracy, Civil Society and Governance is an endeavour to critically

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examine such expectations. The book focuses on the interplay of democracy, civil society and public policy implementation, and addresses the role of civil society in terms of the changing nature of the economy and the condition of the working class. It highlights the reinforcement of hegemonic value systems by the contemporary mainstream civil society as well as the role of the pro-poor civil society in supporting and mobilizing the disadvantaged for their rights and justice. The book also critically evaluates government policies and their implementation in the domains of education,

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public health, employment, social upliftment and environment.

Communication for Development and Social Change
Civil Society, Communication, and Global
Governance

Communication, Development and Civil Society
Essays in Political Sociology
Civil Society and Political Theory

Issues from the World Summit on the Information
Society

***This volume is first and foremost about people
and the processes needed to facilitate sharing of***

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knowledge in order to effect positive developmental change. It is contextual and based on dialogue necessary to promote stakeholder's participation, which is essential for the understanding of their perceptions, perspectives, values, attitudes and practices, so that these can be incorporated into the design and implementation of development initiatives. This volume follows the two-way horizontal model and increasingly makes use of many-to-many forms of communications to facilitate the understanding of people's perceptions, priorities

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and knowledge with its use of a number of tools, techniques, media and methods. It aims to give voice to those most affected by the development issue(s) at stake, allowing them to participate directly in defining and implementing solutions and identifying development directions. Based on the assumption that authentic participation directly addresses power and its distribution in society, which often decreases the advantage of certain elite groups, the authors argue that structural and sustainable change necessitates the redistribution of power. This collection offers

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perceptive insights and vivid examples to prove that the field of communication for development and social change is indeed vibrant.

This book examines the central role media and communication play in the activities of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) around the globe, how NGOs communicate with key publics, engage stakeholders, target political actors, enable input from civil society, and create participatory opportunities. An international line-up of authors first discuss communication practices, strategies, and media uses by NGOs,

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providing insights into the specifics of NGO programs for social change goals and reveal particular sets of tactics NGOs commonly employ. The book then presents a set of case studies of NGO organizing from all over the world—ranging from Sudan via Brazil to China – to illustrate the particular contexts that make NGO advocacy necessary, while also highlighting successful initiatives to illuminate the important spaces NGOs occupy in civil society. This comprehensive and wide-ranging exploration of global NGO communication will be

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of great interest to scholars across communication studies, media studies, public relations, organizational studies, political science, and development studies, while offering accessible pieces for practitioners and organizers.

New Ideas, New Models Of Communications And Newer Perspectives Through Which Communication Has Been Studied, Applied, Or Practiced, Have Evolved And Changed Overtime. But They All Exist In Juxtaposition So As To Present An Integrated Scenario Of

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Communications Per Se In 2000 Decades. In The Book, Seven Salient Perspectives Are Presented All Intertwined As A Communication Perspective. A Few Communication Scenarios Are Highlighted To Address The Contextual Significance Of The Seven Perspectives. We Foresee That The Seven Perspectives From Which We Have Analyzed Communications Per Se May Undergo Several Changes. The Changes May Occur When Particular Perspective S Scope Is Widened. The Change May Occur Due To Changes In Modalities Of Communications, Both

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People-Oriented And Technology-Oriented. New Communication Technologies May Come Up. Along With This, Newer Needs And Demands May Turn Up; Social Attitudes And Values May Also Change. In 2000 Decades, The Communication Scholars, Teachers And Trainers, Researchers, Practitioners, Professionals, And Educators Look Forward To An Integrated Communication Scenario For People, Society And Governance. The Book Is Unique In Presenting Such Perspectives To All Those Who Deal In Diverse Areas Of

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Communications And Focus On The Critical Issues Of Development, Culture, Globalization And Information Technology Etc., In Different World Societies. Presentation Of Communication From Seven Diverse Perspectives, Its Associated Models And The Communication Strategies In The Book Are The Product Of Authors Four Decades Of Association With Communication, Discipline In Theory And Practice And Publishing Widely The Same In The Areas Of Development, Culture And Information Technology. The Author S Communication

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Researches In Diverse Communication Areas, From Diverse Perspectives And In Different Geo Areas Have Provided Depth In Presenting The Evolutionary View Of Communication In Cohesive And Understandable Pattern. Recently the topic of civil society has generated a wave of interest, and a wealth of new information. Until now no publication has attempted to organize and consolidate this knowledge. The International Encyclopedia of Civil Society fills this gap, establishing a common set of understandings and terminology,

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and an analytical starting point for future research. Global in scope and authoritative in content, the Encyclopedia offers succinct summaries of core concepts and theories; definitions of terms; biographical entries on important figures and organizational profiles. In addition, it serves as a reliable and up-to-date guide to additional sources of information. In sum, the Encyclopedia provides an overview of the contours of civil society, social capital, philanthropy and nonprofits across cultures and historical periods. For researchers in nonprofit

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and civil society studies, political science, economics, management and social enterprise, this is the most systematic appraisal of a rapidly growing field.

Community Development and Civil Society

The Wolfensohn Center at Brookings

The Civil Society Guide to Regional Economic Communities in Africa

Global Civil Society 2007/8

The Handbook of Development Communication and Social Change

Intelligence on the Frontier Between State and

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Civil Society

Presents cocreational perspectives on current international practices and theories relevant to strategic communication The Handbook of Strategic Communication brings together work from leading scholars and practitioners in the field to explore the many practical, national and cultural differences in modern approaches to strategic communication. Designed to provide a coherent understanding of strategic communication across various subfields, this authoritative volume familiarizes practitioners, researchers, and advanced students with an inclusive range of international practices, current theories, and

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contemporary debates and issues in this dynamic, multidisciplinary field. This Handbook covers an expansive range of strategic communication models, theories, and applications, comprising two dozen in-depth chapters written by international scholars and practitioners. In-depth essays discuss the three core areas of strategic communication—public relations, marketing communication, and health communication—and their many subfields, such as political communication, issues management, crisis and risk communication, environmental and science communication, public diplomacy, disaster management, strategic communication for social movements and

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religious communities, and many others. This timely volume: Challenges common assumptions about the narrowness of strategic communication Highlights ongoing efforts to unify the understanding and practice of strategic communication across a range of subfields Discusses models and theories applied to diverse areas such as conflict resolution, research and evaluation, tobacco control, climate change, and counter terrorism strategic communication Examines current research and models of strategic communication, such as the application of the CAUSE Model to climate change communication Explores strategic communication approaches in various international contexts, including

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patient-oriented healthcare in Russia, road and tunnel safety in Norway, public sector communication in Turkey, and ethical conflict resolution in Guatemala The Handbook of Strategic Communication is an indispensable resource for practitioners, researchers, scholars, and students involved in any aspect of strategic communication across its many subfields.

Since independence in 1947 India has remained a stable and functioning democracy in the face of enormous challenges. Amid a variety of interlinking contraries and a burgeoning media – one of the largest in the world – there has been a serious dearth of scholarship on the role of journalists and dramatically changing journalism

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practices. This book brings together some of the best known scholars on Indian journalism to ask questions such as: Can the plethora of privately run cable news channels provide the discursive space needed to strengthen the practices of democracy, not just inform results from the ballot boxes? Can neoliberal media ownership patterns provide space for a critical and free journalistic culture to evolve? What are the ethical challenges editors and journalists face on a day-to-day basis in a media industry which has exploded? In answering some of these questions, the contributors to this volume are equally sensitive to the historical, social, and cultural context in which Indian journalism evolved,

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but they do not all reach the same conclusion about the role of journalism in Indian civil society and democracy. This book was originally published as a special issue of Journalism Studies.

In 2003 and again in 2005, the international community was called to take part in a World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS). This two-phase United Nations summit placed an unprecedented global spotlight on information and communication issues. Civil Society, Communication and Global Governance provides a sweeping portrait of the players, structures and themes of the WSIS, as well as a critical analysis of the summit's first phase, the issues it raised and the

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groundbreaking role played by civil society. Including an extensive bibliography, list of relevant web sites and key documents, this will be a basic reference source for everyone interested in the role of information and communication on shaping twenty-first-century societies. This book is a collection of 12 essays on three interrelated themes of Nation, Civil Society and Social Movements organized in three parts each having four chapters.

Learning Civil Societies

The Civil Sphere

Communicating in the Information Society

Digital Media and the Dynamics of Civil Society

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*How Networked Communities Compromise Identity
Handbook of Communication Models, Perspectives,
Strategies*

This collection explores the theoretical underpinnings of democratic planning and governance in relation to civil society formation and social learning.

What binds societies together and how can these social orders be structured in a fair way? Jeffrey C. Alexander's masterful work, *The Civil Sphere*, addresses this central paradox of modern life. Feelings for others--the solidarity that is ignored or underplayed by theories of power or self-interest--are

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at the heart of this novel inquiry into the meeting place between normative theories of what we think we should do and empirical studies of who we actually are. Solidarity, Alexander demonstrates, creates inclusive and exclusive social structures and shows how they can be repaired. It is not perfect, it is not absolute, and the horrors which occur in its lapses have been seen all too frequently in the forms of discrimination, genocide, and war. Despite its worldly flaws and contradictions, however, solidarity and the project of civil society remain our best hope: the antidote to every divisive institution, every unfair distribution, every abusive and dominating hierarchy. This grand, sweeping statement and rigorous

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empirical investigation is a major contribution to our thinking about the real but ideal world in which we all reside.

This book examines the ways in which new information and communication technologies (ICTs) are being used by civil society organizations (CSOs) to achieve their aims through activities and networks that cross national borders. These new ICTs (the internet, mobile phones, satellite radio and television) have allowed these civil society organizations to form extensive networks linking the local and the global in new ways and to flourish internationally in ways that were not possible without them. Reformatting Politics consists of four sections

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containing essays by some of the top scholars and activists working at the intersections of networked societies, civil society organizations, and information technology. The book also includes a section that takes a critical look at the UN World Summit of Information Society and the role that global governance has played and will play in the use and dissemination of these new technologies. Finally, the contributors aim to influence this important and emerging field of inquiry by posing a set of questions and directions for future research. In sum, Reformatting Politics is a fresh look at the way critical network practice through the use of information technology is reformatting the terms and

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terrains of global politics.

The media have a vital role to play in all aspects of development. The significance of media for development is not limited to either communicating development messages or to facilitating people's participation in defining and implementing their own development. Media and Development argues that media can play a myriad of roles in influencing levels of charitable donations and the public policies of donor countries, reinforcing or challenging global power relations between the North and South, as well as promoting, or otherwise, good governance, democracy, and human rights. This book provides a critical, interdisciplinary introduction to the

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relationship between media and development. It is unique in focusing not just on the subject of development communication, but also on media development and media representations of development and of developing countries.

Media and Communications in a Transforming Environment

The Imperative of Development

Essays on Social Development and Civil Society

Politics, Civil Society and Participation

Making Connections in the European Context

"This beautifully curated volume dismantles cultural

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barriers in its exploration of Southern perspectives on digital communities, by drawing on Southern voices - either directly (Afghanistan, Brazil, Chile, China, Nigeria, South Africa, Vietnam) or through émigrés in the Global North (UK and US) - in equal measure. Discussion of identity negotiation, in contemporary international network society, offers an ideational feast for professionals and researchers in multiple fields with an interest in social media and identity, ethnicity, diversity." --Professor Naren Chitty A.M., Foundation Chair, International Communication & Editor-in-Chief, Journal of

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International Communication "...a compelling text that challenges us to interrogate the unique juxtaposition between networked communities and compromised identities. Nowhere else have I seen such an impressive and imaginative commentary on how social media may be devastatingly harmful to our collective sense of self." --Ronald L. Jackson II, Author of Encyclopedia of Identity and past President of the National Communication Association This book explores how social media and its networked communities dismantles, builds, and shapes identity. Social media has been

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instrumental, sometimes dangerously so, in binding together different communities; with thirteen original chapters by leading academics in the field, the volume investigates how belonging, togetherness, and loyalty is created in the digital sphere, in a way that transcends, and even dismantles, ethnic and national borders around the world. In tandem, the volume analyses the further threats to identity presented by the ease with which fabricated news and information spreads on social media, resulting in many users becoming unable to distinguish credible data from junk data. Social media is both creative

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and destructive in its influence on identity, and therefore the growing fake news crisis threatens the very stability of the world's communities. This book provides relevant theoretical frameworks and the latest empirical research findings in the area, including diverse case studies and analyses of social media experiences in indigenous and urban communities around the world, including China, Africa, and Central and South America. Emmanuel K. Ngwainmbi is a Professor in the Department of Communication Studies, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, USA.

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Set within the context of Europe, this book demonstrates the contribution that community development can make to strengthening civil society. The book interweaves case studies with discussion of community development principles and theory to provide a critical and accessible approach. The annual Global Civil Society Yearbooks provide an indispensable guide to global civil society or civic participation and action around the world. The 2007/8 Yearbook focuses on the potentially powerful relationship between communication and democracy promotion. The Global Civil Society Yearbook

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remains the standard work on all aspects of contemporary global civil society for activists, practitioners, students and academics alike.

"This book examines the central role media and communication play in the activities of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) around the globe, how NGOs communicate with key publics, engage stakeholders, target political actors, enable input from civil society, and create participatory opportunities. An international line-up of authors first discuss communication practices, strategies, and media uses by NGOs, providing insights into the

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specifics of NGO programs for social change goals and reveal particular sets of tactics NGOs commonly employ. The book then presents a set of case studies of NGO organizing from all over the world - ranging from Sudan via Brazil to China - to illustrate the particular contexts that make NGO advocacy necessary, while also highlighting successful initiatives to illuminate the important spaces NGOs occupy in civil society. This comprehensive and wide-ranging exploration of global NGO communication will be of great interest to scholars across communication studies, media studies, public

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relations, organizational studies, political science, and development studies, while offering accessible pieces for practitioners and organizers"--

Global Perspectives on NGO Communication for Social Change

Communicative Power and Democracy

Retooling Citizenship in New EU Democracies

The Idea of Global Civil Society

Nation, Civil Society and Social Movements

Civil Society Media and Global Governance

This book investigates how nongovernmental organizations can become stronger advocates for citizens and better

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representatives of their interests. Sabine Lang analyzes the choices that NGOs face in their work for policy change between working in institutional settings and practicing public advocacy that incorporates constituents' voices.

Communication, Development and Civil Society Essays on Social Development and Civil Society
Concept Publishing Company

Since 1963, when the African integration project was born, regional Economic Communities (RECs) have been an indispensable part of the continent's deeper socioeconomic and political integration. More than half a century later, such regional institutions continue to evolve, keeping pace with an Africa that is transforming itself amid challenges and opportunities. RECs represent a huge potential to be the engines

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that drive the continent's economic growth and development as well as being vehicles through which a sense of a continental community is fostered. It is critical therefore that citizens understand the multi-faceted and bureaucratic operations of regional institutions in order to use them to advance their collective interests.

This book examines democracy and governance from the unconventional and largely under researched vantage point of information. It looks at the exclusionary informational dynamics in democracy and analyses the role of information capitalism, new technology, virtual networks, cyberspace and media. While emphasizing the foundational value of information as the 'source code' of modern societies the book explains how it is strategically maneuvered in technologies of

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governance in so-called established and credible democracies. It studies the neutralization and subversion as well as the complex, nuanced and multidimensional act of othering of people, who are supposed to be the repository of power in democracy and in whose interest the business of governance is expected to be conducted. The work highlights the challenges of technocratic interpretations, stunted public policy communication, hyped information society, cooption through the state-of-the-art capitalism, rhetoric of virtual networks and the often-unilateral agenda of mainstream media. A major intervention in understanding the nature of contemporary democracy and polity, this volume will be of great interest to scholars and researchers of politics, media, political communication and technology studies.

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Asian Communication Handbook 2008

Shifting Contexts for Democratic Planning and Governance

The Politics of Technology in Africa

Intervening Into the World Summit on the Information Society

NGOs, Civil Society, and the Public Sphere

Media, Politics and the Network Society

Intelligence on the Frontier Between State and Civil Society shows how today's intelligence practices constantly contest the frontiers between normal politics and security politics, and between civil society and the state. Today's intelligence services face the difficult task of having to manage the uncertainties associated with new threats by inviting civil actors in to help, while also

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upholding their own institutional authority and responsibility to act in the interest of the nation. This volume examines three different perspectives: Managerial practices of intelligence collection and communication; the increased use of new forms of data (i.e. of social media information); and the expansion of intelligence practices into new areas of concern, for example cybersecurity and the policing of (mis-)information. This book accurately addresses these three topics, and all chapters shine more light on the inclusion, and exclusion, of civil society in the secret world of intelligence. By scrutinizing how intelligence

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services balance the inclusion of civil society in security tasks with the need to uphold their institutional authority, Intelligence on the Frontier Between State and Civil Society will be of great interest to scholars of Security Studies and Intelligence Studies. The chapters were originally published as a special issue of Intelligence and National Security.

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The achievements and legacy of the Wolfensohn Center for Development at Brookings The Imperative of Development highlights the research and policy analysis

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produced by the Wolfensohn Center for Development at Brookings. The Center, which operated from 2006 to 2011, was the first home at Brookings for research on international development. It sought to help identify effective solutions to key development challenges in order to create a more prosperous and stable world. Founded by James and Elaine Wolfensohn, the Center's mission was to "to create knowledge that leads to action with real, scaled-up, and lasting development impact." This volume reviews the Center's achievements and lasting legacy, combining highlights of its most important research with new essays that examine the

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context and impact of that research. Six primary research streams of the Wolfensohn Center's work are highlighted in The Imperative of Development: the shifting structure of the world economy in the twenty-first century; the challenge of scaling up the impact of development interventions; the effectiveness of development assistance; how to promote economic and social inclusion for Middle Eastern youth; the case for investing in early child development; and the need for global governance reform. In each chapter, a scholar associated with the particular research topic provides an overview of the issue and its broader context, then

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describes the Center's work on the topic and the subsequent influence and impact of these efforts. The Imperative of Development chronicles the growth and expansion of the first center for development research in Brookings's 100-year history and traces how the seeds of this initiative continue to bear fruit.

The background analysis focuses mainly on chances for civil society participation, its democratic legitimacy and the existing forms and experiences of civil society participation, as well as constraints to participation and access to information. Furthermore, relevant stakeholders are identified with a focus on civil society

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organisations in Hyderabad, which are active in the field of climate protection, energy, sustainability, and environment, and their goals, activities, strengths and weaknesses, networks and specific needs described. On the basis of the stakeholder analysis, multipliers within civil society that are relevant to the project's areas, can be identified for participative processes with other WPs. Based on these findings and in an iterative process to test strategies, the participation strategies can be adapted to the local, cultural and civil society context in Hyderabad.

The United Nations and Civil Society

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*Legitimizing Global Governance – Whose Voice?
Constraints and Opportunities for the Development of
Communication and Participation Strategies
Media and Development*

Democracy, Civil Society and Governance

*Knowledge-for-development is under-theorised
and under-researched within development
studies, but as a set of policy objectives it
is thriving within development practice.*

*Donors and other agencies are striving to
improve the flow of information within and
between decision-makers and so-called 'poor
and marginalized groups' in order to promote*

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economic and social development, including the empowerment of women. Gender, Power and Knowledge for Development questions the assumptions and practice of the knowledge-for-development industry. Using a qualitative, multi-site ethnographical study of a Northern-based gender information service and its 'beneficiaries' in India, the book queries the utility of the knowledge paradigm itself and the underlying assumption that a knowledge deficit exists in the Global South. It questions the value of practices designed to address this presumed deficit that seek to increase information without addressing the

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specific problems of the knowledge systems being targeted for support. After reviewing the evidence, the book recommends that international organisations, governments and practitioners move away from the belief that information intermediaries can employ progressive correctives to 'tinker at the edges' and thus resolve the shortcomings of on-going attempts to use knowledge alone as a driver of development. Gender, Power and Knowledge for Development will be of great interest to researchers, students in development studies, gender studies, and communication studies as well as INGOs, donor

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agencies and groups engaged in information for development (i4D), ICT for development (ICT4D), Tech4Dev, knowledge mobilization and knowledge-for-development (K4D).

This book evaluates the claim that in order to explore the changing social foundations of global power relations today, we need to include in our analysis an understanding of global civil society, particularly if we also wish to raise ethical questions about the changing political and institutional practices of transnational governance.

Bridging the normative concerns of political theorists with the historical and

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institutional focus of scholars of international relations and international political economy, this book is of broad interest to students and researchers concerned with international relations, civil society, global governance and ethics.