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Electronic Media connects the traditional world of broadcasting with the contemporary universe of digital electronic media. It provides a synopsis of the beginnings of electronic media in broadcasting, and the subsequent advancements into digital media.

Underlying the structure of the book is a "See It Then, See It Now, See It Later" approach that focuses on how past innovations lay the groundwork for changing trends in technology, providing the opportunity and demand for change in both broadcasting and digital media. FYI and Zoom-In boxes point to further information, tying together the immediate and long-ranging issues

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surrounding electronic media. Career Tracks feature the experiences of industry experts and share tips in how to approach this challenging industry. Check out the companion website at <http://www.routledge.com/cw/medoff-9780240812564/> for materials for both students and instructors.

Latin America's solid economic performance since 2003 has created the possibility of transforming the state for development. This year's Latin American Economic Outlook examines the reform of the state in this context and recommends that Latin American states act now to deliver better services.

Global studies is a fresh and dynamic discipline area that promises to reinvigorate undergraduate and postgraduate education in the social

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sciences and humanities. In the Australian context, the interdisciplinary pedagogy that defines global studies is gaining wider acceptance as a coherent and necessary approach to the study of global change. Through the Global Studies Consortium (GSC), this new discipline is forming around an impressive body of international scholars who define their expertise in global terms. The GSC paves the way for the expansion of global studies programs internationally and for the development of teaching and research collaboration on a global scale. Mark Juergensmeyer and Helmut Anheier's forthcoming Encyclopaedia of Global Studies with SAGE is evidence of this growing international collaboration, while the work of Professor Manfred

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Steger exemplifies the flourishing academic literature on globalization. RMIT University's Global Cities Institute represents a substantial institutional investment in interdisciplinary research into the social and environmental implications of globalization in which it leads the way internationally. Given these developments, the time is right for a book series that draws together diverse scholarship in global studies. This Handbook allows for extended treatment of critical issues that are of major interest to researchers and students in this emerging field. The topics covered speak to an interdisciplinary approach to the study of global issues that reaches well beyond the confines of international relations and political science to encompass sociology, anthropology,

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history, media and cultural studies, economics and governance, environmental sustainability, international law and criminal justice. Specially commissioned chapters explore diverse subjects from a global vantage point and all deliberately cohere around core “global” concerns of narrative, praxis, space and place. This integrated approach sets the Handbook apart from its competitors and distinguishes Global Studies as the most equipped academic discipline with which to address the scope and pace of global change in the 21st century.

*What explains Eurozone member-states’ divergent exposure to Europe’s sovereign debt crisis? Deviating from current fiscal and financial views, *From Convergence to Crisis* focuses on labor markets in a*

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narrative that distinguishes the winners from the losers in the euro crisis. Alison Johnston argues that Europe's monetary union was structured in a way that advantaged the corporatist labor markets of its northern economies in external trade and financial lending. Northern Europe's distinct economic advantage lay not with its fiscal capabilities, which were not that different from those of southern Eurozone countries, but with its wage-setting institutions. Through highly coordinated collective bargaining, the euro North persistently undercut the inflation performance of southern trading partners, destining them to a perpetual cycle of competitive decline and external borrowing. While northern Europe's corporatist labor markets were always low inflation performers,

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monetary union ultimately made their wage-setting institutions toxic for the South. The euro's institutional predecessor, the European Monetary System, included economic and institutional mechanisms that facilitated macroeconomic adjustment and convergence between the common currency's corporatist and noncorporatist economies. Combining cross-national statistical analysis with detailed qualitative case studies of Denmark, Germany, Italy, Ireland, the Netherlands, and Spain, Johnston reveals that monetary union's removal of these mechanisms allowed external imbalances between these two blocs to grow unchecked, underpinning the crisis in which Europe currently finds itself. Rather than achieving the EU's goal of

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an ever-closer union, the common currency produced a monetary environment that destabilized the economic integration of its diverse labor markets.

*Latin American Economic Outlook 2012
Transforming the State for Development*

Finance for Normal People

Country Brief

Labor Markets and the Instability of the Euro

Historical Working Papers on the Economic Stabilization Program, August 15, 1971, to April 30, 1974

Thomas Sterner's book is an attempt to encourage more widespread and careful use of economic policy instruments. The

book compares the accumulated experiences of the use of economic policy instruments in the U.S. and Europe, as well as in rich and poor countries in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Ambitious in scope, it discusses the design of instruments that can be employed in any country in a wide range of contexts, including transportation, industrial pollution, water pricing, waste, fisheries, forests, and agriculture. While deeply rooted in

economics, Policy Instruments for Environmental and Natural Resource Management is informed by political, legal, ecological, and psychological research. The new edition enhances what has already been widely hailed as a highly innovative work. The book includes greatly expanded coverage of climate change, covering aspects related to policy design, international equity and discounting, voluntary carbon

markets, permit trading in United States, and the Clean Development Mechanism. Focusing ever more on leading ideas in both theory and policy, the new edition brings experimental economics into the main of its discussions. It features expanded coverage of the monitoring and enforcement of environmental policy, technological change, the choice of policy instruments under imperfect competition,

and subjects such as corporate social responsibility, bio-fuels, payments for ecosystem services, and REDD. The authorized, paginated WTO Dispute Settlement Reports in English: cases for 2008. Within the theoretical framework of the trade-growth and structural transformation-growth nexuses, the book examines the evolution of African (goods and service) trade in terms of value and share of global commerce relative to

other regions during the period 1948-2017. It also identifies and discusses discernible changes in the composition and structure of African exports and imports between 1995 and 2015 and their implications for economic development in Africa. The study attributes Africa's laggard trade performance during the period primarily to sub-optimal macroeconomic policies and lack of bold export development policies and initiatives,

among other factors. It also offers an incisive discussion of several inhibitions to the structural transformation of African exports and imports, including lack of finance, globalization, tariff, and non-tariff measures in global markets. The discussion of the evolution of African trade during the period 1948-2017 based on statistics and publications of international organizations, including the UNCTAD, the World

Bank, and the African Development Bank, among others, is the first of its kind in terms of scope and depth of review of African trade. The analyses of cross-border trade during 1948-2017 and their implications for Africa's economic development prospects constitute a useful reference material for academics and students of African and development studies and African and international policymakers. The Handbook of Clean

Energy Systems brings together an international team of experts to present a comprehensive overview of the latest research, developments and practical applications throughout all areas of clean energy systems. Consolidating information which is currently scattered across a wide variety of literature sources, the handbook covers a broad range of topics in this interdisciplinary research field including both fossil and renewable energy

systems. The development of intelligent energy systems for efficient energy processes and mitigation technologies for the reduction of environmental pollutants is explored in depth, and environmental, social and economic impacts are also addressed. Topics covered include: Volume 1 - Renewable Energy: Biomass resources and biofuel production; Bioenergy Utilization; Solar Energy; Wind Energy; Geothermal

**Energy; Tidal Energy.
Volume 2 - Clean Energy
Conversion Technologies:
Steam/Vapor Power
Generation; Gas Turbines
Power Generation;
Reciprocating Engines;
Fuel Cells; Cogeneration
and Polygeneration.
Volume 3 - Mitigation
Technologies: Carbon
Capture; Negative
Emissions System;
Carbon Transportation;
Carbon Storage; Emission
Mitigation Technologies;
Efficiency Improvements
and Waste Management;
Waste to Energy. Volume**

**4 - Intelligent Energy
Systems: Future
Electricity Markets;
Diagnostic and Control of
Energy Systems; New
Electric Transmission
Systems; Smart Grid and
Modern Electrical
Systems; Energy
Efficiency of Municipal
Energy Systems; Energy
Efficiency of Industrial
Energy Systems;
Consumer Behaviors;
Load Control and
Management; Electric Car
and Hybrid Car; Energy
Efficiency Improvement.
Volume 5 - Energy**

**Storage; Thermal Energy
Storage; Chemical
Storage; Mechanical
Storage; Electrochemical
Storage; Integrated
Storage Systems. Volume
6 - Sustainability of
Energy Systems:
Sustainability Indicators,
Evaluation Criteria, and
Reporting; Regulation
and Policy; Finance and
Investment; Emission
Trading; Modeling and
Analysis of Energy
Systems; Energy vs.
Development; Low
Carbon Economy; Energy
Efficiencies and Emission**

Reduction. Key features: Comprising over 3,500 pages in 6 volumes, HCES presents a comprehensive overview of the latest research, developments and practical applications throughout all areas of clean energy systems, consolidating a wealth of information which is currently scattered across a wide variety of literature sources. In addition to renewable energy systems, HCES also covers processes for the efficient and clean

conversion of traditional fuels such as coal, oil and gas, energy storage systems, mitigation technologies for the reduction of environmental pollutants, and the development of intelligent energy systems. Environmental, social and economic impacts of energy systems are also addressed in depth. Published in full colour throughout. Fully indexed with cross referencing within and between all six volumes. Edited by

leading researchers from academia and industry who are internationally renowned and active in their respective fields. Published in print and online. The online version is a single publication (i.e. no updates), available for one-time purchase or through annual subscription. The Global Economic Crisis and Its Implications for Asian Economic Cooperation Basic Economic Data for Idaho The Evolution of

***Economic Development in
Africa***

***Politics, Military and
Regional Dynamics***

***The Emergence of
Modern Communications
in Nineteenth-Century
America***

Bankrupt

The health care industry currently provides over 13 million jobs with a projected 27 percent increase over the next decade the largest increase of any other industry. Given these trends, a basic understanding of the U.S. health care system is important to students across many disciplines including

business, law, health administration, pre-medicine, nursing, allied health, public health, and more. This combination textbook and activity workbook gives students a fundamental understanding of the basic concepts of the U.S. healthcare system. Written with the undergraduate in mind, Basics of the U.S. Health Care System uses simple, reader-friendly language and features hands-on exercises that engage the student in active learning. Each chapter offers a vocabulary crossword puzzle, a vocabulary exercise, real life exercises, and Internet exercises.

The relationship between the United States and China will be of critical importance to the world throughout the twenty-first century. In the West China's rise is often portrayed as a threat and China seen in negative terms. This book explores the dynamics of this crucial relationship. It looks in particular at what causes an international relationship to be perceived negatively, and considers what can be done to reverse this, arguing that trust is a key factor. It goes on to discuss US and Chinese rhetoric and behaviour in three key areas - climate change, finance, and international security. The

book contends that, contrary to much US rhetoric, China's actions in these areas is often much more flexible and accommodating than the US position, and that the Chinese are much more knowledgeable about, and understanding and appreciative of, the United States than vice versa.

Global Energy Policy and Security Springer Science & Business Media

ndian Defence Review (IDR)

had earlier, in 2011,

published a Book titled

"Threat from China" edited by

Late Bharat Verma. Team IDR

felt that since May 2014 when

the National Democratic

Alliance government took over

the reins of governance in

India bringing in a more focussed, dynamic and assertive approach in conduct of its foreign relations, it was necessary to review the security paradigm between India and China. Moreover, around the same time there had been a tactile parallel change in leadership at the helm in China too. During the preliminary discussions there were strong views from a certain section of the community of academic scholars and diplomats that China was not an existential THREAT. However, the military community felt that the People's Liberation Army's substantive military modernisation manifested

such a THREAT. The academic and diplomatic community did feel that there was surely a CHALLENGE in dealing with an assertive rising China - more relevant with a decline of US interest in Asia. To accommodate both views the Title was thus revised to "China - Threat or Challenge?" The Book is a compilation of articles written and published in the IDR since May 2014. Some articles are by Authors who were requested to express their contrary views on the subject so as to present to the Readers broad based views of various Authors across the spectrum on issues impacting India-China bilateral

relations. The final verdict, of course, lies entirely with the discerning Readers.

Innovation Economics

**Analytical Foundations for
Public Policy**

From Gaps to Solutions

**How Investors and Markets
Behave**

Hearing Before the

**Committee on the Budget,
House of Representatives,**

**One Hundred Tenth Congress,
Second Session, Hearing Held**

**in Washington, DC, July 16,
2008**

Hegemony or community?

The subnational dimension of infrastructure has emerged as one of the greatest challenges in contemporary public finance policy

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and management. Ensuring the efficient provision of infrastructure represents a challenge for all countries irrespective of their level of centralization or decentralization. This book proposes an innovative approach for the strengthening of decentralized public investment and infrastructure management. *Decentralization and Infrastructure in the Global Economy: From Gaps to Solutions* covers the most important aspects of infrastructure investment in a decentralized setting. It discusses infrastructure gaps and the quality of subnational spending; how functional responsibilities, financing and

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equalization can be designed; sector-specific arrangements in high expenditure areas, such as health, education and roads; key steps of the public investment cycle and management; and analyses the political economy and corruption challenges that typically accompany decentralized infrastructure projects. This book challenges some of the well-accepted principles of intergovernmental fiscal relations and will be useful to researchers and practitioners of public finance policy and management. Over the last decade, the close relationship between culture and economy - or "the experience

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economy" – has risen on the agenda. Although there is an established research field for analysing the economic impact of entrepreneurship, there is currently a limited amount of research that analyses the cultural impact and opportunity of entrepreneurship. Linking experience economy with enterprising behavior moves the term away from businesses' competitiveness and consumer behavior towards a more value-focused business in general. This ground-breaking book integrates entrepreneurship and empowerment into one central theme, drawing on research from both the social sciences

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(innovation, entrepreneurship, empowerment and activism) and the humanities (participatory culture, user-generated designs, creative networks). Enterprising Initiatives expands the definition of entrepreneurship beyond a primarily economic profit-seeking phenomenon to a broader understanding of enterprising behaviour based on an individual-opportunity nexus. Beyond social entrepreneurship, it explores a broad range of individual, collective and cooperative citizen initiatives under the umbrella of enterprising action. This innovative approach will be of great interest to scholars in entrepreneurship, social

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entrepreneurship, cultural entrepreneurship, cultural studies, and consumer culture, as well as for policy makers in public and local government, regional development and cultural event management.

"Policy-makers often call for expanding public spending on infrastructure, which includes a broad range of investments from roads and bridges to digital networks that will expand access to high-speed broadband. Some point to near-term macro-economic benefits and job creation, others focus on long-term effects on productivity and economic growth. This volume explores the links

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between infrastructure spending and economic outcomes, as well as key economic issues in the funding and management of infrastructure projects. It draws together research studies that describe the short-run stimulus effects of infrastructure spending, develop new estimates of the stock of U.S. infrastructure capital, and explore the incentive aspects of public-private partnerships (PPPs). A salient issue is the treatment of risk in evaluating publicly-funded infrastructure projects and in connection with PPPs. The goal of the volume is to provide a reference for researchers seeking to expand research on infrastructure issues,

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and for policy-makers tasked with determining the appropriate level of infrastructure spending"--

Theoretical and policy perspectives on the taxation of pension, viewed in an international context. Policy makers and academic researchers have been preoccupied in recent decades with the design of pension schemes and effective pension system reform. Relatively little attention has been given to the taxation of pensions and, more broadly, the provision of retirement income. In this book, experts from a range of countries explore the interconnection. Their contributions are especially timely, given recent demographic and

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political developments including population aging that lengthens the time between contribution payment and benefit receipt, the mobility of capital and labor brought about by globalization, and the complexity of pension taxation within and between countries. In shedding light on these issues, the chapters document the various forms of taxation of pension systems; use economic theory to explain both qualitative and quantitative observations; and consider whether the observed interaction of taxation and pensions is efficient. Theoretical overviews are followed by rigorous analyses of pension taxation in specific countries,

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including Denmark, Sweden, Portugal, Australia, Germany, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Contributors Torben M. Andersen, Spencer Bastani, Hazel Bateman, Sören Blomquist, Axel Börsch-Supan, Jorge Miguel Bravo, Gary Burtless, Rafal Chomik, Helmuth Cremer, Carl Emmerson, Csaba Feher, Bernd Genser, Robert Holzmann, Paul Johnson, Alain Jousten, Christian Keuschnigg, Eric Koepcke, George Kudrna, Jukka Lassila, Luca Micheletto, Pierre Pestieau, John Piggott, Christopher Quinn, Tarmo Valkonen, Alan Woodland
CHINA: Threat or Challenge?
China's Rise and Regional

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Integration in East Asia
Transforming the State for
Development
Cambridge IGCSE and O Level
Economics
Enterprising Initiatives in the
Experience Economy
A Question of Trust
With featuring far-reaching
diversities and disparities
among the regional states in
their political, economic and
social systems and cultural
and religious orientations,
East Asia is a microcosm of
international society at large.
Nevertheless, there are unique
dynamics unfolding in East
Asia at the turn of the twenty-

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first century, namely the rise of China as a contender for regional and global hegemony and a set of collective initiatives to integrate the region into a harmonious community. This book provides new arguments on China's rise and the transformation of East Asia and analyzes the foreign policy behavior of the regional states and relations among them. In doing so, the contributors show why and how China is rising, and how China's rise shapes the emerging regional structures and institutions in East Asia.

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Furthermore, given the East Asian context where the world's second and third largest economies coexist with much smaller states and with China's ascendancy likely to continue, this book challenges the pervasive dichotomy of hegemony and community. This allows for a fuller and more nuanced account of China's role and the shifting regional policies in East Asia in which hegemonic cooperation does not necessarily lead to a hegemonic form of regional order. Presenting strategic, political, economic and

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historical perspectives on China's changing role in the region and the development of regionalism, China's Rise and Regional Integration in East Asia will be of great interest to students and scholars of Chinese politics, Asian politics, international relations and regionalism.

This book addresses contemporary and modern topics around business growth and economic development in Southeastern Europe. It covers a wide range of business issues focusing on the adoption of new technologies, finance of SMEs,

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place marketing, value co-creation, contribution to economic growth, and internationalization.

Moverover, it sheds new light on the micro- and macroeconomic developments and monetary policy issues in the Eastern European and Balkan countries. This book is a useful tool for scholars in economics and finance interested in the further economic development of the Balkans and Eastern European countries as well as to professionals in the business, financial and insurance sectors.

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Credit markets: retrospect and prospect / David Rowe -- An improved regulatory framework for credit rating agencies? / James Weston -- Stress testing / Noel D'Cruz and Davide Crippa -- Mega-banks self-insurance with cocos: a work in progress / George von Furstenberg -- What are the driving factors behind the rise of spreads and CDS of Euro-sovereign bonds? / Emmanuel Mamatzakis and Panos Remoundos -- Measuring distance-to-default for financial and non-financial firms / Jin-Chuan Duan and

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Tao Wang -- NUS-RMI Credit
Research Initiative Technical
Report / RMI staff -- A lead-lag
investigation of RMI PD and
CRA ratings / RMI staff

This book presents recent
research on probabilistic
methods in economics, from
machine learning to statistical
analysis. Economics is a very
important – and at the same a
very difficult discipline. It is
not easy to predict how an
economy will evolve or to
identify the measures needed
to make an economy prosper.
One of the main reasons for
this is the high level of
uncertainty: different difficult-

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to-predict events can influence the future economic behavior. To make good predictions and reasonable recommendations, this uncertainty has to be taken into account. In the past, most related research results were based on using traditional techniques from probability and statistics, such as p-value-based hypothesis testing. These techniques led to numerous successful applications, but in the last decades, several examples have emerged showing that these techniques often lead to unreliable and inaccurate predictions. It is therefore

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necessary to come up with new techniques for processing the corresponding uncertainty that go beyond the traditional probabilistic techniques. This book focuses on such techniques, their economic applications and the remaining challenges, presenting both related theoretical developments and their practical applications.

African Trade, 1948–2017

Electronic Media

Global Credit Review

Bank Capital and Lending: An Extended Framework and Evidence of Nonlinearity

Then, Now, and Later

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Beyond Traditional
Probabilistic Methods in
Economics

Written with the international student in mind, this book is endorsed by Cambridge International Examinations and contains the most up-to-date case studies, global examples and statistics. - In-depth coverage of every aspect of the latest Cambridge IGCSE® and O Level Economics syllabuses to help students build the skills needed to succeed - Engaging and contemporary case studies and examples ensure the book is relevant to the international student -

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Accessible language and key terms defined to support ESL/EAL students - Student-focused CD-ROM provides useful weblinks to the latest case studies, interactive activities and answers to the questions in the textbook "A stimulating and exciting introduction to Economics that enables students from anywhere in the world to relate to the subject." Caroline Loewenstein, Economics and Business Education Association Cambridge International Examinations and Hodder Education Hodder Education works closely with Cambridge International Examinations and is an

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authorised publisher of endorsed textbooks for a wide range of Cambridge syllabuses and curriculum frameworks. Hodder Education resources, tried and tested over many years but updated regularly, are used with confidence worldwide by thousands of Cambridge students.

Economic and financial crises have become perennial features of today's global economy. Macroeconomic theories of crisis, including the global crisis that unfolded in 2008, emphasize the role of financial deregulation; capital flow imbalances; and growing debt, fueled by

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income and wealth inequality. These approaches tend to be divorced from feminist thinking which analyzes broader distributional dynamics transmitted through structural channels and government policy responses, with an emphasis on gender, race, class and ethnicity. This volume brings together innovative thinking from heterodox macroeconomists and feminist economists to explore the causes, consequences, and ramifications of economic crises. By doing so, it highlights aspects of the economy that are frequently overlooked or ignored, such

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*as the impact of crises on the vast amount of unpaid work which women perform relative to men.? The collection of international studies assembled here takes an innovative approach to analyzing a range of issues, from the subprime mortgage crisis to the gendered effects of austerity to the role of the International Monetary Fund in governing an unstable global economy. In so doing, it looks beyond causes and consequences and points to new directions for macroeconomic and financial policy. This book was originally published as a special issue of *Feminist Economics*.*

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Through the lens of the Asian Financial Crisis, this book documents how international organizations and national governments crafted legal responses, through corporate bankruptcy reforms, to the fragility of financial markets in East Asia and worldwide.

The World Bank is in the initial stages of developing a new annual series of World Bank Country Briefs. Namibia - the third report in the series - will be published in the winter of 2009. These short, country-specific reports examine the economic, social, environmental, and business landscape of developing

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*countries, focusing on
issues critical to
development. Overview People
and Poverty Environment Econom
y Governance and Business
Environment Global
Links Statistical Appendix.
Critical and Feminist
Perspectives on Financial
and Economic Crises
Latvia
From Convergence to Crisis
The Taxation of Pensions
US-China Relations in the
Twenty-First Century
13th International
Conference on the Economies
of the Balkan and Eastern
European Countries (EBEEC),
Pafos, Cyprus, 2021
This paper presents a survey of
recent research on the economics of*

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infrastructure in developing countries. Energy, transport, telecommunications, water and sanitation are considered. The survey covers two main set of issues: the linkages between infrastructure and economic growth (at the economy-wide, regional and sectoral level) and the composition, sequencing and efficiency of alternative infrastructure investments, including the arbitrage between new investments and maintenance expenditures; OPEX and CAPEX, and public versus private investment. Following the introduction, section 2 discusses the theoretical foundations (growth theory and new economic geography). Section 3 assesses the analysis of 140 specifications from 64 recent empirical papers-examining type of data used, level of

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aggregation, econometric techniques and nature of the sample-and discusses both the macro-econometric and micro-econometric contributions of these papers. Finally section 4 discusses directions for future research and suggests priorities in data development. Laying a solid foundation of economic facts and ideas, this book provides a comprehensive look at the critical role of public capital in development.

Behavioral finance presented in Finance for Normal People is a second generation behavioral finance. The first generation, starting in the early 1980s, largely accepted standard finance's notion of people's wants as "rational" wants - restricted to the utilitarian benefits of high returns and low risk. That first

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generation commonly described people as “irrational” - succumbing to cognitive and emotional errors and misled on their way to their rational wants. The second generation describes people as normal. It begins by acknowledging the full range of people's normal wants - hope for riches and freedom from the fear of poverty, nurturing our children and families, being true to our values, gaining high social status, playing games and winning, and more. It distinguishes normal wants from errors, and offers guidance on using shortcuts and avoiding errors on the way to satisfying normal wants. People's normal wants, even more than their cognitive and emotional shortcuts and errors, underlie answers to important questions of finance, including saving and

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spending, portfolio construction, asset pricing, and market efficiency. These are presented in this book. We often hear that behavioral finance is nothing more than a collection of stories about irrational people misled by cognitive and emotional errors, that it lacks the unified structure of standard finance. Yet today's standard finance is no longer unified because wide cracks have opened between its theory and the evidence. This book offers behavioral finance as a unified structure that incorporates parts of standard finance, replaces others, and includes bridges between theory, evidence, and practice.

Northeast India, apart from being the rainiest in India, is drained by two large river systems of the world - the Brahmaputra and the Barak

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(Meghna) - both transnational rivers cutting across bordering countries. The region, known for its rich water resources, has been witnessing an increasing number of conflicts related to water in recent years. This volume documents the multifaceted conflicts and contestations around water in Northeast India, analyses their causes and consequences, and includes expert recommendations. It fills a major gap in the subject by examining wide-ranging issues such as cultural and anthropological dimensions of damming rivers in the Northeast and Eastern Himalayas; seismic surveys, oil extractions, and water conflicts; discontent over water quality and drinking water; floods, river bank erosion, embankments; water policy; transboundary water conflicts; and

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hydropower development. It also discusses the alleged Chinese efforts to divert the Brahmaputra River. With its analytical and comprehensive coverage, 18 case studies, and suggested approaches for conflict resolution, this book will be indispensable for scholars and researchers of development studies, governance and public policy, politics and international relations, water resources, environment, geography, climate change, area studies, economics, and sociology. It will also be an important resource for policymakers, bureaucrats, development practitioners, civil society groups, the judiciary, and media.

*Business Development and Economic Governance in Southeastern Europe
Handbook of Clean Energy Systems,*

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6 Volume Set

The Postal Age

Transforming Social Worlds

*Basics of the U.S. Health Care
System*

Dispute Settlement Reports 2008:

Volume 6, Pages 2011-2382

Against the backdrop of climate change and tectonic political shifts in world politics, this handbook provides an overview of the most crucial geopolitical and security related issues in the Arctic. It discusses established shareholder's policies in the Arctic – those of Russia, Canada, the USA, Denmark, and Norway – as well as the

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politics and interests of other significant or future stakeholders, including China and India. Furthermore, it explains the economic situation and the legal framework that governs the Arctic, and the claims that Arctic states have made in order to expand their territories and exclusive economic zones. While illustrating the collaborative approach, represented by institutions such as the Arctic council, which has often been described as an exceptional institution in

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this region, the contributing authors examine potential resource and power conflicts between Arctic nations, due to competing interests. The authors also address topics such as changing alliances between Arctic nations, new sea lines of communication, technological shifts, and eventually the return to power politics in the area. Written by experts on international security studies and the Arctic, as well as practitioners from government institutions

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and international organizations, the book provides an invaluable source of information for anyone interested in geopolitical shifts and security issues in the High North.

This paper studies the transmission of bank capital shocks to loan supply in Indonesia. A series of theoretically founded dynamic panel data models are estimated and find nonlinear effects of capital on loan growth: the response of weaker banks to changes in their capital positions is

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larger than that of stronger banks. This non-linearity implies that not only the level of capital but also its distribution across banks in the financial system affects the transmission of shocks to aggregate lending.

Likewise, the effects of bank recapitalization on loan growth depend on banks' starting capital positions and the size of capital injections.

The recent financial crisis has stimulated much debate on the governance of financial institutions, as well as research on the

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effects of governance arrangements on risk-taking, performance and financial institutions more generally.

Furthermore, researchers are asking how regulation, legislation, politics and other factors influence the governance of financial institutions and their behavior in different dimensions. The specially commissioned contributions featured in this timely Handbook confront these complex issues. The contributors – top international scholars from finance, law and

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business – explore the role of governance, both internal and external, in explaining risk-taking and other aspects of the behavior of financial institutions.

Additionally, they discuss market and policy features affecting objectives and quality of governance. The chapters provide in-depth analysis of factors such as: ownership, efficiency and stability; market discipline; compensation and performance; social responsibility; and governance in non-bank financial institutions.

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Only through this kind of rigorous examination can one hope to implement the financial reforms necessary and sufficient to reduce the likelihood and severity of future crises. Bringing the reader to the frontier of research on governance of financial institutions, this volume is sure to inspire future research in scholars and students of financial institutions, governance and banking as well as all those involved with private financial institutions and public regulatory and supervisory

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authorities.

Despite efforts to increase renewables, the global energy mix is still likely to be dominated by fossil-fuels in the foreseeable future, particularly gas for electricity and oil for land, air and sea transport. The reliance on depleting conventional oil and natural gas resources and the geographic distribution of these reserves can have geopolitical implications for energy importers and exporters. Global Energy Policy and Security

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examines the security of global and national energy supplies, as well as the sensitivity and impacts of sustainable energy policies which emphasize the various political, economic, technological, financial and social factors that influence energy supply, demand and security.

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based economies and innovation policies. Unless the United States enacts public policies to reflect this reality, Americans face the relatively lower standards of living associated with a noncompetitive national economy. The authors explore how a weak innovation economy not only contributed to the Great Recession but is delaying America's recovery from it and how innovation in the United States compares with that in other developed and developing nations.

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Atkinson and Ezell then lay out a detailed, pragmatic road map for America to regain its global innovation advantage by 2020, as well as maximize the global supply of innovation and promote sustainable globalization.

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by the military. The evolution and continuity of Sino-Pakistani relations are explored through three timely case studies: the port of Gwadar, where Chinese investment well pre-dates the advent of the Belt and Road Initiative; the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, the "flagship project" of China's global ambitions; and how the relationship between China and Pakistan has played out in Afghanistan. The book assesses the extent of military influence in Pakistan's relations with

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China throughout the last 20 years in several key decision-making areas, ranging from internal security to elite recruitment. By looking at the extent of military prerogatives in Pakistan's domestic politics, the book reveals how the major source of continuity in the ties between the two countries was represented by the role that the military has played overtime. While since the announcement of the BRI elected representative have gained some leverage in decision-making, the

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military has invariably been the main port of call even under a civilian dispensation. A novel approach to the study of Sino-Pakistani relations, this book will be of interest to academics working on South Asian Politics, Chinese Politics and International Relations, Sino-Pakistani relations, civil-military ties, and China's role in Asia including the One Belt, One Road initiative. Americans commonly recognize television, e-mail, and instant messaging as agents of

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postage, mass literacy, and migration combined to make the long-established postal service a more integral and viable part of everyday life. With such dramatic events as the Civil War and the gold rush underscoring the importance and necessity of the post, a surprisingly broad range of Americans—male and female, black and white, native-born and immigrant—joined this postal network, regularly interacting with distant locales before the existence of telephones or

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even the widespread use of telegraphy. Drawing on original letters and diaries from the period, as well as public discussions of the expanding postal system, Henkin tells the story of how these Americans adjusted to a new world of long-distance correspondence, crowded post offices, junk mail, valentines, and dead letters. *The Postal Age* paints a vibrant picture of a society where possibilities proliferated for the kinds of personal and impersonal

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