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The essays which comprise this book aim to identify and discuss aspects of the Byzantium heritage, whose principal beneficiaries were the Greeks, the

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Slavs and, most prominently, Russia. These 12 studies divide into three groups: the first is concerned with general aspects of Slavo-Byzantine relations; the second deals with the specific features of the acculturation process; and the third, which includes among others Russia's Byzantine

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Constantinople was once known as the “city of the world,” but this was only one important settlement in the Byzantine Empire. This title explores the geographical reaches of the eastern

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part of the Roman Empire, with a focus on the multicultural people who made it their home. The text covers the lives of Christians, Jews, and Muslims, as well as the merchants, Viking mercenaries, and barbarian hordes that made this culture unique. Other important social studies topics include arts, architecture,

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education, and family life. Readers will be fascinated by the ancient world of the Byzantines!

The Christian culture of Rus (the medieval precursor of modern Russia, Ukraine and Belarus) is sometimes presented either as a reflection of an indigenous spirituality wrapped in

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borrowed (Byzantine) forms or, by contrast, as merely a provincial version of its Byzantine original. The essays in this volume start from the premise that neither view is adequate. The history of culture - even of a self-consciously imitative culture - involves a continual process of inevitable 'mistranslation', as

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the imported models are reshaped and reinterpreted according to local resources, circumstances and preconceptions. These essays explore aspects of the 'translation of culture' on several levels: from the semantic processes of the actual translation of written texts from Greek into Slavonic,

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through to larger issues of ideology and identity. They consider both the initial stages of such 'translation' (from Byzantium to Rus) and some of the subsequent 'retranslations' of the Byzantine heritage in the culture of Rus and - eventually - of Russia. The history of Russia is often

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considered as if that immense country had always been an isolated continent. However, at the time of its rise as a nation, it was politically a province of the Mongol Empire, whose capital was in Central Asia; and ecclesiastically, it was a dependency of the Orthodox Patriarchate of Constantinople, or

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Byzantium. This book describes the role of Byzantine (predominantly ecclesiastical) diplomacy in the emergence of Moscow as the capital of Russia in the fourteenth century, and the cultural, religious and political ties which connected the Northern periphery of the Byzantine Orthodox

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principalities.

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This groundbreaking 2007 volume gathers an international team of historians to present the practice of translation as part of cultural history. Although translation is central to the transmission of ideas, the history

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*Such as Constantine the Great
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background of the U.S.S.R. The
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Chapters: Russia, Iran, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan. Excerpt: Russia (; Russian: , tr. Rossiya, IPA:), officially known as both Russia

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and the Russian Federation

(Russian: *Росси́йская*

Федераци́я, IPA: *ˈrɔsʲɪjˈskəjə*), is a country in

northern Eurasia. It is a federal semi-presidential republic, comprising 83

federal subjects. From northwest to southeast, Russia shares borders

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with Norway, Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland (both via Kaliningrad Oblast), Belarus, Ukraine, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, the People's Republic of China, Mongolia, and North Korea. It also has maritime borders

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with Japan by the Sea of Okhotsk, and the United States by the Bering Strait. At 17,075,400 square kilometres (6,592,800 sq mi), Russia is the largest country in the world, covering more than one eighth of the Earth's inhabited land area.

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Russia is also the ninth most populous nation with 143 million people. It extends across the whole of northern Asia and 40% of Europe, spanning nine time zones and incorporating a wide range of environments and landforms. Russia

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has the world's largest reserves of mineral and energy resources. It has the world's largest forest reserves and its lakes contain approximately one-quarter of the world's fresh water. The nation's history began with that of the East Slavs, who

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emerged as a recognizable group in Europe between the 3rd and 8th centuries AD. Founded and ruled by a Varangian warrior elite and their descendants, the medieval state of Rus, arose in the 9th century. In 988 it adopted Orthodox Christianity

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were overrun by the Mongol
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Illustrations.

Drawing on theories of political myth and concepts of nationalism, Jardar Østbø analyzes the content and ideological function of the myth of Russia as a Third Rome. Through case studies of four prominent nationalist intellectuals, Østbø shows how this

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messianic myth was used to reinvent Russia and its allegedly rightful place in the world after the collapse of the Soviet Union. Though it exists in many radically different versions, the Third Rome myth in general embodies particularism and rabid anti-Westernism. At best, it portrays

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Russia as an essentially isolationist country. At worst, it casts the country as superior to all other nations, divinely elected to rule the world. Irreverence and the Sacred brings together some of the most cutting edge, interdisciplinary, and international scholars working today

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in order to debate key issues in the critical and comparative study of religion. The project is inspired in large part by the work of Bruce Lincoln, whose influential and wide-ranging scholarship has consistently posed challenging, provocative, and often-irreverent questions that have

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really pushed the boundaries of the field of religious studies in important, sometimes controversial ways.

Retracing the history of the discipline of religious studies, Lincoln argues that the field has tended to champion a "validating, feel-good" approach to religion, rather than posing more

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critical questions about religious claims to authority and their role in history, politics, and social change. A critical approach to the history of religions, he suggests, would focus on the human, temporal, and material aspects of phenomena that are claimed to have a superhuman,

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eternal, or transcendent status. This volume takes up Lincoln's challenge to "do better," by engaging in critical analyses of four key themes in the study of religion: myth, ritual, gender, and politics. The book also interrogates the "politics of scholarship" itself, critically

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Strenski, and Lincoln himself--but also European scholars whose work is hugely influential overseas but not as well known in the U.S.--such as Stefan Arvidsson, Claude Calame, Nicolas Meylan, and others.

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Ivan Mazepa and the Russian Empire

Scholars have long claimed that the

Eastern Roman Empire, a Christian

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theocracy, bore little resemblance to ancient Rome. Here, Anthony Kaldellis reconnects Byzantium to its Roman roots, arguing that it was essentially a republic, with power exercised on behalf of, and sometimes by, Greek-speaking citizens who considered themselves fully

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evocative, and it is quite wrong. It shows
Prince Rurik landing on the shores of

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Lake Ladoga from his distinctive dragonprowed Viking longship, along with his brothers and retinue. #2 The lands of the Slavs were attractive to the Scandinavian traders. They were often invaded and conquered by their neighbors, the Turkic tribes. However,

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they did not settle in these lands. #3 The lands of the Rus ' were dominated by Scandinavian tribes who had extracted tribute from the northwestern tribes until the risings in 860 forced them from their timberwalled forts. They moved their capital from northern Novgorod to Kiev,

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and this would remain the dominant city of the Rus ' for centuries. #4 The Rus ' were a new nomad power that was rising in the south, and they were constantly being challenged by the Kievans, who were conquerors, pirates, and traders not just for greed but also need.

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Modern Russian identity and historical experience has been largely shaped by Russia's imperial past: an empire that was founded in the early modern era and endures in large part today. The Russian Empire 1450-1801 surveys how the areas that made up the empire were conquered

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and how they were governed. It considers the Russian empire a 'Eurasian empire', characterized by a 'politics of difference': the rulers and their elites at the center defined the state's needs minimally - with control over defense, criminal law, taxation, and mobilization

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of resources - and otherwise tolerated local religions, languages, cultures, elites, and institutions. The center related to communities and religions vertically, according each a modicum of rights and autonomies, but didn't allow horizontal connections across nobilities, townsmen,

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or other groups potentially with common interests to coalesce. Thus, the Russian empire was multi-ethnic and multi-religious; Nancy Kollmann gives detailed attention to the major ethnic and religious groups, and surveys the government's strategies of governance -

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particularly architecture. Beginning with foundational features, such as geography, climate, demography, and geopolitical situation, *The Russian Empire 1450-1801* explores the empire's primarily agrarian economy, serfdom, towns and trade, as well as the many religious groups -

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relationships. Montefiore provides extensive quotations from the letters and diaries of the Romanovs, many of them unpublished. By telling the story of the Romanovs,

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Terrible. Numerous false heirs—called the False Dmitris—claimed the right to the throne. At the same time, Russia experienced a brutal famine, and Polish and Lithuanian forces

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Was there ever such a
thing as the Byzantine
Empire and who were those
self-professed Romans we
choose to call "Byzantine"

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today? At the heart of these two interlinked questions is Anthony Kaldellis's assertion that empires are, by definition, multiethnic. If there was indeed such a

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thing as the Byzantine Empire, which rules bounded majority and minority ethnic groups? The labels for the minority groups in Byzantium are clear -

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Slavs, Bulgarians,
Armenians, Jews, Muslims.
What was the ethnicity of
the majority group?
Historical evidence tells
us unequivocally that no
card-carrying Byzantine

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ever called himself "Byzantine." He would identify as Roman. This line of identification was so strong in the eastern empire that even the conquering Ottomans saw

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themselves as inheritors of the Roman Empire. In Western scholarship, however, there has been a long tradition of denying Romanness to Byzantium. In the Middle Ages, people of

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the eastern empire were made "Greeks," and by the nineteenth century they were shorn of their distorted Greekness and turned "Byzantine." In Romanland, Kaldellis

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the processes of
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Vestiaritai, Vigla (tagma).**

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Excerpt: The Varangians or Varyags (Old Norse: Greek: , Varangoi, Variagoi; Russian and Ukrainian: , Varyagi / Varyahy), sometimes referred to as Variagians were Vikings that went eastwards and southwards

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through what is now Russia, Belarus and Ukraine mainly in the 9th and 10th centuries. However, according to some scholars (including those as famous as M. V. Lomonosov) the term "Varangians" was used to

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**refer to any sea travellers,
merchants and pirates
irrespective of their origin. The
term was used in relation to
Vikings as well as to Slavic
troops shuttling between major
trade centres of the time and**

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occasionally engaged in warfare. A similar term in the Russian language is "nyemets" (), which was used with respect to almost all foreigners from European countries, but primarily with respect to Germans. In modern

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Russian this term has only one meaning "a German." According to the Kievan Rus' Primary Chronicle, compiled in about 1113, groups of Varangians included Norsemen known as Rus', just as some were known

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**as Swedes, Normans, Angles,
Gotlanders and so on. However,
due largely to geographic
considerations, most of the
Varangians who traveled and
settled in the eastern Baltic,
Russia and lands to the south**

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came from the area of modern Sweden. Engaging in trade, piracy and mercenary activities, they roamed the river systems and portages of Gardariki, reaching the Caspian Sea and Constantinople. Nevertheless,

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**according to modern studies by
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**opened out among the trees
closer to the steppe. #2 The
Eastern Slavs were the
predominant group in Rus from
Kiev to Novgorod by at least AD
800. They had built many villages
and fortifications of earth with**

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wooden palisades, and they buried their dead with the tools and weapons necessary for life in the next world. #3 The Rurikovich dynasty was originally Scandinavian, as legend and the early names

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suggest. They came to Russia around AD 900 and began to rule that area, quickly establishing their authority over the whole vast area of Kiev Rus. #4 The great powers and centers of civilization were the Arab

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four different
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Kazimir Malevich, and
Vladimir
Tatlin—Taroutina shows

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medieval pictorial
traditions drove each
artist to transform his
own practice, pushing
beyond the established
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