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until the catastrophic economic crisis of the late 1990s east asia was perceived as a monolithic success story but heady economic growth rates masked the most divided continent in the world one half the most extraordinary developmental success story ever seen the other half a paper tiger joe studwell explores how policies ridiculed by economists created titans in japan korea and taiwan and are now behind the rise of china while the best advice the west could offer sold its allies in south east asia down the economic river the first book to offer an asia wide deconstruction of success and failure in economic development studwell s latest work is provocative and iconoclastic and sobering reading for most of the world s developing countries how asia works is a must read book that packs powerful insights about the world s most misunderstood continent

please note this is a companion version not the original book sample book insights 1 in a country in the early stages of development typically 75 percent of the population is employed in agriculture the problem with agriculture in pre industrial states with rising populations is that when market forces are left to themselves agricultural yields tend to stagnate or even fall 2 the question of efficiency depends on what outcome you are looking for big capitalist farms may produce the highest return on cash invested but that is not the agricultural efficiency that is appropriate to a developing state 3 the world of the home fruit and vegetable gardener is very familiar to the post war east asian peasant family with its mini farm the labor intensive gardening approach to cultivation gets more out of a given plot of land than anything else 4 the problem is that the gardening level of output needs so much labor if mr doiron gardened full time he might be able to maintain his yields for 1 000 square meters of land but that would still require ten mr doirons to earn 135 000 across one hectare before costs

a good read for anyone who wants to understand what actually determines whether a developing economy will succeed bill gates top 5 books of the year an economist best book of the year from a reporter who has spent two decades in the region

and who the financial times said should be named chief myth buster for asian business in how asia works joe studwell distills his extensive research into the economies of nine countries japan south korea taiwan indonesia malaysia thailand the philippines vietnam and china into an accessible readable narrative that debunks western misconceptions shows what really happened in asia and why and for once makes clear why some countries have boomed while others have languished studwell s in depth analysis focuses on three main areas land policy manufacturing and finance land reform has been essential to the success of asian economies giving a kick start to development by utilizing a large workforce and providing capital for growth with manufacturing industrial development alone is not sufficient studwell argues instead countries need export discipline a government that forces companies to compete on the global scale and in finance effective regulation is essential for fostering and sustaining growth to explore all of these subjects studwell journeys far and wide drawing on fascinating examples from a philippine sugar baron s stifling of reform to the explosive growth at a korean steel mill provocative how asia works is a striking and enlightening book a lively mix of scholarship reporting and polemic the economist

in 1960 the gdp per capita of southeast asian countries was nearly half of that of africa by 1986 the gap had closed and today the trend is reversed with more than half of the world s poorest now living in sub saharan africa why has asia developed while africa lagged the asian aspiration chronicles the stories of explosive growth and changing fortunes the leaders events and policy choices that lifted a billion people out of abject poverty within a single generation the largest such shift in human history the relevance of asia s example comes as africa is facing a population boom which can either lead to crisis or prosperity and as asia is again transforming this time out of low cost manufacturing into hi tech leaving a void that is africa s for the taking far from the optimistic determinism of africa rising this book calls for unprecedented pragmatism in the pursuit of african success

five billion people two thirds of the world s mega cities one third of the global economy two thirds of global economic growth thirty of the fortune 100 six of the ten largest banks eight of the ten largest armies five nuclear powers massive

technological innovation the newest crop of top ranked universities asia is also the world s most ethnically linguistically and culturally diverse region of the planet eluding any remotely meaningful generalization beyond the geographic label itself even for asians asia is dizzying to navigate whether you gauge by demography geography economy or any other metric asia is already the present and it is certainly the future it is for this reason that we cannot afford to continue to get asia so wrong the future is asian accurately shows asia from the inside out telling the story of how this mega region is coming together and reshaping the entire planet in the process

this book explores recent drivers of asia s growth and economic development the analysis is based on a database created by the authors it covers a large number of economies including 39 from asia for the period 1990 2020 the database and the analysis in the book use novel indicators of development it is structured along four areas productivity and structural change global value chains gvcs economic complexity and the fourth industrial revolution 4ir the book offers insights into current economic performance and future prospects it shows great heterogeneity across the region highlighting a range of development experiences each chapter contains an accessible methodological section of the concepts used explaining the construction of indicators and how they should be interpreted the book will interest scholars of asian economics structural transformation productivity gvcs complexity and 4ir studies the publicly available database will also appeal to policymakers and researchers interested in data analysis

the spectres of marx and lenin have long loomed prominently in africa and asia and they still do so in the 21st century many of the founding fathers of postcolonial republics believed socialism could transform their societies yet what socialism meant in theory and in practice has always been highly heterogeneous and differed markedly from the european experience african and asian movements did not simply mimic the ideas and institutions of soviet or european marxists but endeavoured to define their own experimenting with a variety of interpretations and in the process adapting doctrines and templates to their unique contexts this volume brings together anthropologists historians and political scientists from around the world to reflect on three great challenges which various types of socialists in africa and asia have had to

simultaneously contend with in their articulations of liberation how to build up empirical and juridical statehood how to forge a nation after colonial divide and rule and how to position themselves in an international order not of their making in a post colonial world this helps centre a key question running through the different chapters what can african and asian imaginaries institutions and practices tell us about socialism as a global phenomenon the chapters in this book were originally published as a special issue of third world quarterly

this fully revised fourth edition of michael yahuda s successful textbook brings the subject up to date introducing students to the international politics of the asia pacific region since 1945 as well as assessing the post cold war uncertainties that challenged balance and power with the region the book also examines the first two decades of the new millennium which includes no let up on the war on terror new political administrations in all the key player states and increased cooperative security between some nations polarised by volatile relationships between others analyzing politics in terms of global regional and local trends this new edition features discussion and evaluation of the trump presidency and its implications for the asia pacific region analysis of japan s more assertive foreign policy examination of the continued rise of china under xi jinping in terms of politics security economic dominance and territorial conflicts in the region ongoing debates concerning the war on terror and how this shifts forms and reforms relationships explanation of how america s war s in the greater middle east and the financial crash of 2008 undermined the american led international order this new fourth edition will continue to be a core text for students of asian politics international relations and cold war history

this book a bestseller in china with over a million copies sold depicts the role played by the chinese government in china s economic development it explains how the chinese government has gradually established and improved market mechanisms while promoting economic growth the book particularly points out that the chinese government not only governs the economy through policy guidance but also directly participates in the process of urbanization and industrialization as part of the market it also introduces the specific mechanisms of government involvement in economic activities which forms a bridge between economic theory and the reality of china this book a winner of the wenjin book

award by the national library of china will be an invaluable reference for scholars seeking to understand china's economic policy and government system reform in the years to come

the historiography of the cold war has long been dominated by american motivations and concerns with southeast asian perspectives largely confined to the indochina wars and indonesia under sukarno southeast asia's cold war corrects this situation by examining the international politics of the region from within rather than without it provides an up to date coherent narrative of the cold war as it played out in southeast asia against a backdrop of superpower rivalry when viewed through a southeast asian lens the cold war can be traced back to the interwar years and antagonisms between indigenous communists and their opponents the colonial governments and their later successors burma malaysia singapore brunei and the philippines join vietnam and indonesia as key regional players with their own agendas as evidenced by the formation of seato and the bandung conference the threat of global communism orchestrated from moscow which had such a powerful hold in the west passed largely unnoticed in southeast asia where ideology took a back seat to regime preservation china and its evolving attitude toward the region proved far more compelling the emergence of the communist government there in 1949 helped further the development of communist networks in the southeast asian region except in vietnam the soviet union's role was peripheral managing relationships with the united states and china was what preoccupied southeast asia's leaders the impact of the sino soviet split is visible in the decade long cambodian conflict and the sino vietnamese war of 1979 this succinct volume not only demonstrates the complexity of the region but for the first time provides a narrative that places decolonization and nation building alongside the usual geopolitical conflicts it focuses on local actors and marshals a wide range of literature in support of its argument most importantly it tells us how and why the cold war in southeast asia evolved the way it did and offers a deeper understanding of the southeast asia we know today

this is an indispensable career guide for everyone wanting to work in or already working in the international development and humanitarian emergencies sector it provides a general introduction and insight into the sector for those exploring it as

a potential career and offers students up to date advice when choosing a course whether it s at undergraduate or postgraduate level should they study international development or will public health environmental studies or media get them closer to where they want to get this book offers graduates or career changers who are new to the sector an understanding of what skills and experience will make them stand out above the competition and get that job it enables those already working in the sector to gain a long term view of where they want to go and how they might structure their professional development to gain the skills and competencies necessary to get their career on to an upward trajectory this book draws heavily on insiders advice case studies and top tips to provide the reader with various perspectives and insights how do you become a country director for an international ngo how can one become a gender mainstreaming expert what can you do to get in to consultancy career trajectories career clinics q a boxes and the personal planner in the appendix will help you get to where you want to go it also gives a detailed account of the myriad of careers and specialism available within the sector and methodologically describes the pros and cons of each option so if you are not sure where you want to go with your career you will be after you have read this book whether it s programme management becoming an environmental advisor or an acadmic this book will give you an insight into what the job entails and how you can get in to it it will be an invaluable guide to all readers irrespective of their country of origin who are interested in the sector

international bestseller quite simply the best guide to the global economy today fareed zakaria shaped by his twenty five years traveling the world and enlivened by encounters with villagers from rio to beijing tycoons and presidents ruchir sharma s the rise and fall of nations rethinks the dismal science of economics as a practical art narrowing the thousands of factors that can shape a country s fortunes to ten clear rules sharma explains how to spot political economic and social changes in real time he shows how to read political headlines black markets the price of onions and billionaire rankings as signals of booms busts and protests set in a post crisis age that has turned the world upside down replacing fast growth with slow growth and political calm with revolt sharma s pioneering book is an entertaining field guide to understanding change in this era or any era

in this book peer vries is the first scholar to provide an extensive test of the claim that industrialization in east asia in particular in japan between the meiji restoration and world war two would have been much more labour intensive than industrialization in the west he does this by systematically comparing the role and importance of labour and capital in japan and in a number of western countries at a similar stage of their industrial development he uses macro economic data as well as specific observations by people at the time it turns out that there is no reason to distinguish a specific labour intensive japanese route of industrialization his comparative analysis provides us with a better understanding of the logic of industrialization in both west and east

in startup capitalism robyn klingler vidra and ramon pacheco pardo explore the place of startups in contemporary east asian economies the last few decades have seen east asian governments provide increasing support for startups new high growth technologically oriented firms yet as the authors observe such initiatives do not necessarily benefit the growth of startups as challengers to large established firms rather they often enable startups to function as boosters for the competitiveness of these firms startups in short are both disruptors to and resources for big businesses klingler vidra and pacheco pardo demonstrate this dual role by examining the evolution of startup centric policies in japan south korea taiwan and china they show that in the region what they call startup capitalism an economic and political system in which startups contribute to employment innovation and growth can take multiple forms rich with empirical detail startup capitalism reveals how and why startups can end up working with or even for large firms to drive a country s technological capabilities

this open access book analyses the development problems of sub sahara africa ssa from the eyes of a korean diplomat with knowledge of the economic growth korea has experienced in recent decades the author argues that africa s development challenges are not due to a lack of resources but a lack of management presenting an alternative to the traditional view that africa s problems are caused by a lack of leadership in exploring an approach based on mind set and nation building rather than unity which tends to promote individual or party interests rather than the broader country or national interests the author suggests new solutions for ssa s economic growth inspired by korea s successful economic

growth model much of which is focused on industrialisation this book will be of interest to researchers policymakers ngos and governmental bodies in economics development and politics studying africa s economic development and korea s economic growth model

the belt and road initiative bri is emerging as a vital lynch pin in china s efforts to establish a maritime and continental zone of influence in the indo pacific region the belt and road initiative and the future of regional order in the indo pacific interrogates to what extent bri represents an achievable vision of a china centric order in asia and explores its major security implications for the region the contributors to this volume provide up to date analysis of the effect of bri on the region s foreign policy and alliance patterns its connection to geo economics and domestic chinese politics and the policy responses of key indo pacific actors while acknowledging that bri remains prey to a variety of internal and exogenous shocks the contributors conclude that at the very least bri will continue to disrupt the existing alignments of economic and strategic interests in the indo pacific and that on this minimal basis bri will likely be judged a success by china for regional actors however the bri simultaneously enhances choice while presenting strategic and economic risks of greater dependency on china a dilemma intensified by the disruptive effects of the trump administration on regional confidence in the longevity of american commitments and leadership

a case for why regionalization not globalization has been the biggest economic trend of the past forty years the conventional wisdom about globalization is wrong over the past forty years as companies money ideas and people went abroad more often than not they looked regional rather than globally o neil details this transformation and the rise of three major regional hubs in asia europe and north america current technological demographic and geopolitical trends look only to deepen these regional ties o neil argues that this has urgent implications for the united states regionalization has enhanced economic competitiveness and prosperity in europe and asia it could do the same for the united states if only it would embrace its neighbors

since the doi moi reforms in 1986 vietnam has experienced a dramatic socioeconomic transformation lim examines the role of the state and its interaction with market forces in bringing this change about taking the motorcycle and banking industries as case studies this book explores the dynamics between the state and transnational corporations in shaping the manufacturing and service sectors respectively vietnam as one of southeast asia s quintessential latecomer economies with little prior experience of dealing with transnational corporations has nevertheless been quite successful in maintaining some control over the impact of foreign direct investment yet the learning outcomes remain highly uneven in addition lim argues that vietnamese advancement in both industries mirrors only partially the more generalized patterns of state led development in east asia s earlier batch of latecomer economies vietnam s case thus presents practical lessons on how to succeed in crafting and utilizing policy instruments to achieve domestic economic and technological upgrading this book will be of great interest to scholars of political economy and industrial policy in east asia as well as to scholars and policy professionals analyzing approaches to development strategy more broadly

southeast asia is among emerging economies that have become important drivers of the world economy asean has furthered the region s economic integration yet growth remains dependent on foreign investment inequality has grown or remained high democracy instead of consolidating has stalled or regressed changing constellations of southeast asia seeks to shed light on the gap between northeast asia and southeast asia from a variety of viewpoints across trade and industry services and education and language policies examine institutions and elite capture to understand why middle tier southeast asian countries have failed in following the east asian miracle examine china s growing influence and how this growing role affects southeast asia as a constellation contributing to critical political economy and comparative development studies in east asia this timely volume will appeal to undergraduate and postgraduate students interested in southeast asia studies international political economy development sociology and economics social policy and asian politics

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