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Biography/Memoirs

Kong Ning : Bride of the Earth / Chi Hua (Translated & Rewritten)
Wang Chiyong (Ed) Eric Cooper
Beijing: New World Press, 2018
134p.
9787510467042
\$ 25.00 / PB
268gm.

This book tells the colorful life story of Kong Ning, a transboundary artist who is constantly pursuing her own voice. Kong Ning was born in 1958 in the border city of Manzhouli. She once worked as a prosecutor and witnessed death in prison in the execution ground. After becoming one of the most approved lawyers in China, she boldly dabbled in the field of art. Her life experience involves law, poetry creation, film, oil painting, architecture, installation, performance art, and is a well-known crossover artist in Beijing. Her oil paintings use bold colors and are collected by many art institutions. The Rose Castle she designed is also a gathering place for Beijing cultural artists. It can be said that Kong Ning's life experience fully reflects the increasingly tolerant cultural atmosphere of Chinese society, and respect for personal choices and dreams.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730737>

A Collection of Happiness / Liu Lili (Translator) Zhang Ruiqing
Beijing: New World Press, 2018

viii, 140p.

9787510464959

\$ 24.00 / PB

200gm.

Collecting Happiness (English Version)", written by Liu Lili and translated by Zhang Ruiqing, tells the life story of the famous female ballet dancer Wang Yanping who collected words after leaving the stage and became a collector with a unique taste of art and a certain influence. In the process of collecting all kinds of jewelry, clothing and certificates decorated with words, she is looking for the happy memories of the Chinese people and weaving her full life.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730738>

Mu Mengjie and His School for the Blind / Li Chaoquan
(Translator) Liu Shining

Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019

208p.

9787508537429

Heroes of China's New Era Series

\$ 34.00 / PB

348gm.

This book recounts the life experience of Mu Mengjie, a blind man who ventured out into the world at the age of 13 to make a living through performing on the streets as a storyteller. Several years later he returned home and established a special school for the visually impaired. The school welcomed anyone who had a visual impairment without charging tuition. Mengjie had never even one day of formal schooling. But with a pure kind heart he brings joy and hope to many people with visual impairments as well as their families.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730739>

Sunshine Sisters : The Story of Housekeeping Service / Peng Yanhua (Translator) Li Yifeng
Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019
240p.
9787508535821
Heroes of China's New Era Series
\$ 34.00 / PB
394gm.

This book tells the story of a housekeeping company called "Sunshines Sisters", showing the image of ordinary Chinese workers.

What kind of business is "Sunshine Sisters"? What has enabled it to obtain special attention from national leaders? How was "Sunshine Sisters" founded? What different types of customer problems have they encountered while providing a housekeeping services? How are the sisters enthusiastically engaged in work, and how do they overcome a variety of problems with calmness and optimism?

This reader-friendly book tells many stories of ordinary families and a group of sunshine sisters.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730740>

Huang Danian : The Life of a Geophysicist / Wu Jing & Chen Cong (Translator) Wang Yuwei
Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019
184p.
9787508537184
Heroes of China's New Era Series
\$ 34.00 / PB
314gm.

Huang Danian, a world-celebrated geophysicist, returned in his prime to his alma mater Jilin University to teach and do research, leaving behind all material comforts that he had earned through nearly two decades of hard work in England. He mobilized multidisciplinary resources to develop China's deep earth exploration capacity. During his term of service as an expert on the Technical Panel on Resources and Environment established

under China's 863 research project, he managed to achieve a series of major technological breakthroughs, helping China to close huge gaps with the West in a number of fields. He was a dedicated, hardworking scientist, always burning his candle at both ends until his life was cut short by a terminal illness. This book provides a vivid and detailed account of Huang's life as a scientist a husband, a father, and a teacher.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730741>

Jin Xing'an and the First Farmers' Book House / Li Chaoquan
(Translator) Pan Zhongming

Heroes of China's New Era Series

Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019

204p.

9787508538761

\$ 34.00 / PB

342gm.

This book tells the story of Nongjia Bookstore and its founder Jin Xing'an. When Jin Xing'an was ten years old, both his parents died. He was raised by the government and villagers and became an influential writer. In order to give back to the society, he donated all the books and manuscript fees, and built a writer's bookstore in his hometown with a lack of books and culture. The Jiangji Town Farmhouse (writer) bookstore has become a local knowledge bank and the most beautiful "paradise on earth". For more than ten years, groups of peasant students have entered Peking University, Tsinghua University and other universities from their bookstores. Many peasants have learned the skills to make a fortune. The book takes a little bit to the side, reflecting the new achievements of the Farmhouse Bookstore Project in serving farmers, serving the rural revitalization strategy, and building a new socialist countryside.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730742>

Yuan Longping : The Father of Hybrid Rice / Chen Qiwen
(Translator) Wang Hao

Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019

208p.

9787508536606

Heroes of China's New Era Series

\$ 34.00 / PB

348gm.

Yuan Longping, the world-renowned "Father of Hybrid Rice," is an outstanding agronomist from China and winner of multiple awards including the National Science and Technology Award, the WIPO Gold Medal for Inventors, the UNESCO Science Prize, and the World Food Prize. He has been devoted to hybrid rice research since his early 20s and has established a technological roadmap for super hybrid rice breeding. His accomplishments have contributed to China's food self-sufficiency and the world's food security.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730743>

Above the "Ladders to Heaven" : A Story of a Rural Teacher Couple / Chen Guo (Translator) Gong Rui (et al.)

Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019

186p.

9787508536583

Heroes of China's New Era Series

\$ 34.00 / PB

318gm.

This book tells the true story of Li Guilin and Lu Jianfen, the teachers of the elementary school in Erping Village, Wushiqiao Township, Ganluo County, Liangshan Yi Autonomous Region. As "substitute teachers", they disregard the low salary and poor life, build "ladders" on the top of the mountain where the environment is blocked and travel difficult, and work hard to run schools for twenty years, dedicating their youth to the remote areas. The children in the mountains paved the way to the future. Li Guilin and Lu Jianfen are outstanding representatives of the people's teachers in the new era, the "Prometheus" of the Chinese village version.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730744>

Justin Yifu Lin : A Legend of Diagnosing China's Economic Development / Liu Shiyong (Translator) Dai Wenchao (et al.)
Heroes of China's New Era Series
Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019
208p.
9787508536095
\$ 34.00 / PB
346gm.

This book is a comprehensive introduction of the legendary life of Lin Yifu, right from his beginning as a student of military school, to the chief economist of the World Bank. How did he get first acquainted with economics? How did he become the last disciple of the Nobel winner Theodore Schultz? How was his lifelong compassion towards peasants aroused after his return to China, and making himself an authority of Chinese economy? You will get satisfactory answers of all these questions from this brilliantly written biography.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730745>

Sun Jiadong : Life of an Aerospace Scientist / Wang Jianmeng (Translator) Dai Wenchao
Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019
226p.
9787508542768
Heroes of China's New Era Series
\$ 34.00 / PB
384gm.

Sun Jiadong is one of the pioneers and founders of China's aerospace science and technology industry. The protagonist has progressed and grown in the development of China's aerospace industry for more than 50 years. He has witnessed China's aerospace from scratch, from small to large, from weak to strong, and is a representative figure who opened a new chapter in China's satellite industry and opened a new era of space industry. He is still on the front line of aerospace engineering and talent training, and his legend continues. Taking Sun Jiadong's life experience as a clue, this book presents the arduous journey of

China's aerospace industry and its brilliant achievements, as well as China's international status as a "big power weapon".

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730746>

Zhong Yang : The Answer of a Botanist to Life / Chen Fang & Cheng Cong (Translator) Cao Jianxin

Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019

246.

9787508536590

Heroes of China's New Era Series

\$ 34.00 / PB

400gm.

In the form of the documentary literature, this book realistically and vividly narrates the story of a life scientist with passion for seeds.

Zhong Yang, the hero in the book, was the dean of the Graduate School and professor of the School of Life Science of Fudan University, having engaged in scientific research and teaching of botany and bio-information study for over 30 years. Cherishing the ideal of serving the country with science and technology, he had long been dedicating himself to the research and protection of bio-diversity, leading a team in having collected tens of millions of plant seeds on Qinghai-Tibet plateau for the national seed-bank. At the same time, he worked so hard for bringing up people to become talents in areas inhabited by minority nationalities in western China.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730747>

Economics/Development Studies

China International Import Expo : Shared Future in a New Era / Lei Zou; Translated by: Zhiping Zhang, Jian Zhu

Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

9789811223860

176p.

\$ 95.00 / HB

China has been holding its annual China International Import Expo (CIIE), starting from 2018 in Shanghai. This is a significant move for China to actively open the Chinese market to the rest of the world as this supports trade liberalization and economic globalization. This book systematically expounds the background and content of CIIE, and studies the opportunities that China's expansion of imports brings to its economy, enterprises, consumers and to that of other countries. It elaborates on how the CIIE facilitates countries and regions from different parts of the world to strengthen their economic cooperation and trade, and promote global trade and world economic growth. The book helps readers understand China's reform and opening-up, as well as the the latest trends and policies of the country's expansion of import.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730748>

R&D Investment of Multinational Corporations and China's Independent Innovation / Wen Xiao (Zhejiang University, China), Jiadong Pan (Zhejiang University, China) and Gaobang Lin (Zhejiang University, China)

Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

256p.

9789811220890

Series on Innovation and Operations Management for Chinese Enterprises: Volume 5

\$ 105.00 / HB

China has attracted a huge amount of investment in R&D internationalization of multi-national corporations (MNCs), which is playing an important role in its economy. Constrained by natural resources, China has to attach more importance to technological progress and indigenous innovation in order to move beyond the old economic growth model. Technology seems inaccessible to outsiders, which prevents others from doing research in a comprehensive and systematic manner. In this book, technology is regarded as a factor of production that is allocated by MNCs across the world to maximize profits. Such rational economic behavior serves as our entry point to enhance existing theoretical achievements on R&D internationalization.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730749>

How to Become a Modernized Country : China Modernization Report Outlook (2001–2016) / Chuanqi He (China Center for Modernization Research, China & Chinese Academy of Sciences, China & The International Eurasian Academy of Sciences, China) Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

632p.

9789811206252

\$ 190.00 / HB

Modernization is a complex phenomenon in the world, and is termed as a development goal in some countries and regions. This book, the first of its kind, discusses how a country can become modernized. It takes a new approach to addressing core issues in the era of globalization from a Chinese perspective. It analyzes how to become a developed and modernized country, why are some countries developed while others are not, how many countries will rise and how many will fall, will China become a new modernized country in the 21st century, and so on. The author presents a summary of 15 annual reports of China Modernization Report from 2001 to 2016. The themes covered include: basic principles of modernization (modernization science, modernization theory and modernization evaluation), level-related modernization (world, international, national, regional and urban modernization), field-relative modernization (economical, social, cultural and ecological modernization) and sector-specified modernization (agricultural, industrial and service modernization) etc.

The book further discusses the principles and methods of world modernization, as well as the trends in modernization in the world and the modernization strategy in China, based on theoretical studies and research by a Chinese team for more than 16 years. This research covered 131 countries and 96% of the world's population, with a time span of 300 years (from 1750 to 2050).

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730750>

The Great Transformation : Supply-Side Structural Reform /
Xiaohe Ma (Chinese Academy of Macroeconomic Research,
China & National Development and Reform Commission, China)
Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

260p.

Series on Chinese Economics Research: Volume 22

9789811209338

\$ 105.00 / HB

In recent years, the "supply-side structural reform" has become a popular term in all regions and fields in China. The supply-side structural reform is the key component of the Chinese government's economic policy framework during the "13th Five-Year Plan" period. It is crucial in both theory and practice, to have an accurate understanding of its background, content, essential features, principles, and goals.

The theme of the book revolves around the supply-side structural reform and analyses the concept from different perspectives, such as the basic theories and institutional framework, the fiscal taxation system, the financial system reform, and the innovation system. It attempts to address questions such as: how to understand the supply side and the demand side; why the supply-side structural reform is currently proposed; how to implement the reform; what are the changes brought about by the reform; what factors should be taken into consideration in its implementation; what are the policies to be developed in the process, etc.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730751>

Why is the China Model Losing Its Power?

Challenges and Opportunities of the Second Global Competition /

Jinghao Zhou (Hobart and William Smith Colleges, USA)

Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

304p.

9789811216275

\$ 105.00 / HB

History has proved that communism failed at many levels during the first global competition between the capitalist and socialist camps during the Cold War. As a result, the socialist camp was dissolved. China is one of the few communist countries to survive in the twenty-first century. The Chinese economy was on the verge of collapse in the 1970s but began to take off in the early 1980s, guided by the China model. China became the world's second largest economy in 2010 and has quickly expanded its enormous global market and political influence. The second global competition between the capitalist countries and China has started. The second global competition is in fact between the China model and the Washington Consensus. Will Western hegemonies end as the result of the second global competition? Will China be able to rewrite the international rules? Will the Chinese communist political system collapse during the competition? What should the West do to the China model? This book will explore the implications of the China model in the context of the second global competition and argues that the downturn of the China model and China's global expansion are the two sides of the same coin. The China model is losing its power but not broken. China would be able to become even stronger, if it could reshape the philosophical foundation of the China model. The future of Western hegemony will depend on how the West understands the China model and deals with it. This book addresses these aspects and more.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734919>

Leadership Style : Business and Leadership in China / Pedro Nueno (CEIBS, China) and Xiaoming Zhu (CEIBS, China)

Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

200p.

9789813275256

\$ 65.00 / HB

In the past 40 years, the remarkable growth of China has caught the world's attention. In this groundbreaking book, two presidents of CEIBS, the top business school in China, dissect the leadership styles of top industry figures in contemporary China.

This book uses real stories, real experiences, and real research from Chinese companies to show how businesses are actually run in China. Global readers will gain an invaluable understanding of Chinese leadership and how to work with Chinese businesses.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734920>

China's Regional Economic Development : A Case Study of Wenzhou / Jinchuan Shi (Zhejiang University, China), Xiangrong Jin (Zhejiang University, China), Wei Zhao (Zhejiang University, China) and Weidong Luo (Zhejiang University, China)
Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

9789813279582

360p.

WSPC-ZJUP Series on China's Regional Development: Volume 6
\$ 140.00 / HB

Since the reform and opening-up in the late 1970s, Wenzhou City of China's Zhejiang Province has witnessed large-scale institutional change and rapid economic development. This book studies the institutional change and economic development in Wenzhou since China's reform and opening-up. It concludes that the most important characteristic of Wenzhou model is that the city is the first to promote industrialization and urbanization by privatization and marketization in Zhejiang. As privatization and marketization reflect reform, and industrialization and urbanization represent development, Wenzhou model promotes development through economic reform. In the early years of the reform and opening-up, the people of Wenzhou boldly faced the constraints of traditional planned economy, bravely explored the market-oriented reform and opened up a new path to regional economic development. This book also contains the stories of the people of Wenzhou.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734921>

History

The COVID-19 Epidemic in China / Lawrence J Lau (The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong) and Yanyan Xiong (Zhejiang University, China)
Singapore : World Scientific, 2020
224p.
9789811222504
\$ 64.00 / HB

This book contains an in-depth quantitative analysis of the development of the COVID-19 epidemic in China from its very beginning in December 2019 to early April 2020 when it was brought under control. It begins with adjustments of the official cumulative data on newly confirmed cases and deaths, removing any inconsistencies and smoothing the surges not attributable directly to the COVID-19 virus itself. It discusses the measures undertaken by the Chinese Government to control the epidemic. It examines the extent of the infection, the case mortality, and the costs to the Chinese economy in both Hubei, the province in which the first confirmed case was discovered, and the rest of the Mainland outside of Hubei. There is also an international comparison of the Chinese experience with those of other countries.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734922>

Chronicle of the People's Republic of China (October 1949–September 2019 / The Institute of Party History and Literature (IPHL)
Singapore: Gale Asia (Cengage Learning Asia), 2021
316p. ; 185x235mm.
9789814930512
\$ 150.00 / HB

On October 1, 2019, the People's Republic of China (PRC) celebrated its 70th anniversary of foundation. Over the past seven decades since Chairman Mao Zedong proclaimed the establishment of the PRC in October 1949, the country has grown

from a land of extreme poverty to the world's second-largest economy. The Chronicle of the People's Republic of China (October 1949–September 2019) provides a chronological account of all the major events that happened during the period covered, and showcases the illustrious achievements that China has made in different areas, such as politics, economy, culture, education, diplomacy, military, science, and technology. The book seeks to help readers gain a better understanding of the arduous yet glorious journey that the Chinese people has undergone, under the leadership of the Communist Party of China (CPC), in building a modern socialist country with Chinese characteristics.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718776>

A Brief History of the People's Republic of China / (Compiler)
Zhang Xingxing

Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019

316p.

9787508543086

\$ 50.00 / HB

676gm.

A Brief History of the People's Republic of China gives a concise, albeit full, account of the glorious history, great achievements and valuable experience over the past 70 years since the founding of the People's Republic of China in an illustrated form, mirrors the struggles and practices of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people over these seven decades and provides explanations for the internal logic involved in the great historic changes during this period. This will help the international community understand the advantages of the path, theory, system and culture of socialism with Chinese characteristics behind the historic achievements since 1949.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734923>

An Oral History of the Development of a Well-off China : I Have Faith in China / Hu Xueqin (Translator) Luo Zhongwu (et al.)

Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019

322p.

9787508542782

\$ 40.00 / HB

796gm.

At the 70th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China and the completion of a well-off society in an all-round way, An Oral History of the Development of a Well-off China was planned and published in two volumes. In the volume I have faith in China, the interviewees included national leaders, provincial and ministerial leaders, military generals, famous entrepreneurs and etc. It gives convincing judgments about China's future development in vivid expressions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734924>

An Oral History of the Development of a Well-off China : The People's Republic of China in My Memory / (Compiled) Editorial Committee (Translator) Luo Zhongwu (et al.)

Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2019

394p.

9787508541471

\$ 40.00 / HB

912gm.

The People's Republic of China in My Memory comes from the large public welfare project "The Oral History of Centenarians". This project interviews more than 51 centenarians, excavates their individual experiences and finally forms a group memory about family and country. These centenarians have experienced vicissitudes and witness Chinese history. Their oral history is a living history of the China.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734925>

The System of Taxation in China in the Tsing Dynasty, 1644-1911 / Shao-Kwan Chen

Beijing: The Commercial Press, 2017

viii, 110p.

9787100151016

\$ 25.00 / HB

376gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=446829>

The Post-War Industrialization of China : Industrial Capital in
China / H. D. Fong

Beijing: The Commercial Press, 2017

180p.

English Language

9787100152396

\$ 25.00 / HB

498gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734926>

Law

Law and Society in Traditional China / T'ung Tsu Ch'u

Beijing: The Commercial Press, 2017

436p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9787100150767

\$ 40.00 / HB

732gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734927>

Literature

Bird Tracks in the Air : Selected Poems of Wang Anshi /
(Compiled & Translated) Jan W. Walls & Yvonne L. Walls
(Illustrator) Liu Lingling

Beijing: New World Press, 2019

318p.

English, Chinese

9787510468100

\$ 20.00 / PB

532gm.

This book is a selection of 130 poems of Wang Anshi, most of them are Quatrains and rhyme poems, compiled by famous Canadian Sinologists Wang Jian and Li Ying. In addition, it also includes a research article on Wang Anshi's poems with a heavier

academic weight. According to Wang Anshi's creative process, this book divides his poems into eight categories, namely: occasional poems, sympathy, indignation, ambition, self-pity, lack of ambition and reluctance, consciousness, and reconciliation. Each category has an overall introduction. Each poem is accompanied by original hand-drawn color illustrations. The illustrations are both quiet, super far-reaching, compassionate, elegant and fun of Feng Zikai's paintings and the ease and freedom of old tree paintings.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734928>

Politics

Global Leaders' Views On The Belt and Road Initiative / Sun Chao

Singapore: Gale Asia (Cengage Learning Asia), 2021

440p.

9789814922739

\$ 150.00 / HB

The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) was unveiled by Chinese President Xi Jinping during his visits to Central and Southeast Asia in 2013. Also dubbed as the Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road, the BRI aims to promote policy coordination, connectivity of infrastructure and facilities, unimpeded trade, financial integration, and closer people-to-people ties through a consultative process and joint efforts, with the goal of bringing benefits to all. Over the years, support for and participation in the initiative has grown to involve more than 140 countries and 80 international organizations. All of these epitomize the world's keen expectations for equality, cooperation, and development. Global Leaders on the Belt and Road Initiative brings together the voices of leaders from various partner countries and international organizations in a collection of 36 interviews. Conducted by Sun Chao, these interviews offer unique insights into the opportunities, challenges, and prospects of the BRI through the words of ambassadors, high-ranking government officials, and top executives actively involved in it.

As the world continues to face challenges on a global scale, this book represents an addition to the ongoing discussions on the ever-crucial topic of international connectivity and cooperation.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718775>

China's Rise in Mainland ASEAN : Regional Evidence and Local Responses / Edited By: Suthiphand Chirathivat (Chulalongkorn University, Thailand), Buddhagarn Rutchatorn (Chulalongkorn University, Thailand) and Wasutadon Nakawiroj (Chulalongkorn University, Thailand)
Singapore : World Scientific, 2020
9789811217036
428p.
\$ 160.00 / HB

In today's rapid rise and expansion of China's influence all around the world and in ASEAN during the past two decades, there has been an increasing awareness of various countries and regions adjusting themselves to the new trends, both in terms of opportunities and risks alike. This has become necessary due to the rapid changes in many aspects — political landscapes, economic issues, as well as social and cultural considerations. This book, *China's Rise in Mainland ASEAN: Regional Evidence and Local Responses*, provides timely insights on some of the latest issues pertaining to ASEAN and China, rapidly shifting interactions and upcoming geostrategic challenges.

ASEAN can be said to be undergoing a new era, with China becoming more intertwined and involved with the ASEAN region than ever before. The complexity of the regional dynamics means that this phenomenon cannot be captured with a single narrative or discipline of study. In addressing the matters at hand, this book sets out to examine and provide deeper understandings on the regional implications, and local responses from ASEAN countries, and from the perspective of the region as a whole. The underlying rationale is that adequate understanding on the matters involved in this new ASEAN–China era will help to encourage better and mutually beneficial relationships between both sides.

The analysis of this book will be categorized into four main themes — (1) "The Big Picture", concerning China's policies, strategies, and diplomatic stances, (2) "Implications and Responses", dealing with how ASEAN members react and respond to China's actions and regional influence, (3) "Perspectives on Trade, Investment and External Debt", which handles the economic facets of the ASEAN–China interactions, and (4) "Connectivity in Focus", addressing various emerging and existing dimensions of connectivity expansion between ASEAN and China, both physical and virtual.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734929>

Study on International Politics in Contemporary China / Yuyan Zhang (Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China)

Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

636p.

9789811210435

\$ 190.00 / HB

China's guiding principle for foreign relations and its focus on states and regions has shifted a lot from the first 30 years of the founding of the People's Republic of China (PRC) in 1949, to 1978 and beyond, after reform and opening-up. However, PRC's diplomatic practice has been continuous, whether it was participation in the Korean War, breaking up with the former Soviet Union after a honeymoon period, China's self defense war over Sino–Indian border, participation in the Vietnam War, breakthrough in the Sino–US relation, or PRC's self defense war over the Sino–Vietnamese border. These historical events brought the need for theoretical study in International Politics (IP). The development of China's IP research was slow and filled with complications, but it signified a breakthrough from scratch. This book has filled gap by depicting a complete scroll of China's IP research in over 60 years since 1949. This book has followed two principles: one is according to the classification of the IP discipline and the other is to recommend adaptations according to China's actual conditions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734930>

China versus the US : Who Will Prevail? / Alfredo Toro Hardy
(Venezuelan Scholar and Diplomat)

Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

304p.

9789811218514

\$ 42.00 / HB

The heralding of ambitions and hardening of geopolitical and military stances by China has given rise to few questions: Did China challenge the United States too hard and too soon and, by doing so, seriously jeopardize its chances of achieving its objectives? Can Washington still contain China's ascendancy and retain its current leading status?

This book attempts to explore these questions and analyse if China has tried to display its strength to America too soon. It argues that by comparing the comprehensive national power of the two countries, one may be able to answer the above questions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734931>

Sociology

China's Millennium Transformation : The Belt and Road Initiative
/ Da Hsuan Feng

Singapore : World Scientific, 2020

9789811210914

364p.

\$ 95.00 / HB

This is a book on the Belt and Road Initiative, written from an unusual perspective — it is written by someone who was born in India but raised in Singapore; who has never spent a day of schooling in the greater China (Mainland, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau) but has Chinese heritage; who eventually built a long and distinguished career in the West. With such an atypical

background, he took an off-the-beaten-path approach by asking the fundamental question of how such an important initiative, began entirely by China, can deeply impact and transform the millennium mindset of Chinese.

Such a transformation of the Chinese shall render a new definition of what a "powerful nation" in the 21st century should be, for the betterment of humanity. This is unlike the one made by Western civilization for many centuries since the Renaissance days. Three main outcomes of the BRI have been embedded directly or indirectly throughout the book: Supercontinent, Neo-Renaissance and Cultural Communications. The author felt that these three outcomes are the possible mitigation for the world in the 21st century, facing existential challenges.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=734932>
