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Afro-Asia in Upheaval: A Memoir of Front-line Reporting / Amando Doronila

Pasig City: Anvil Publishing, Inc., 2008

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ISBN-13: 9789712721359

\$ 29.95

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Constructing Identities in the Malaysian Media / Ramesh Nair, Mohd Shahriar Haque

& Mahmud Hasan Khan (Eds)

Kuala Lumpur: University of Malaya Press, 2008

xi. 165p,; 23cm

Includes Bibliography and index ISBN-13: 9789831004661

1. Ethnicity – Malaysia

Mass media – Social aspects

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Media literacy has to do with possessing a critical understanding of the nature of media texts. It is about exploring the manner in which representations are normalized in a society. As the chapters in this book illustrate, language plays a crucial role in the construction of reality in media texts. A critical understanding of this is gained by looking at the discourse of media through multiple perspectives. This way of reading media texts encourages reflection and careful consideration.

Researchers, academics and students of media, language and discourse analysis who are interested in studies that uncover hidden meanings in media texts, particularly Malaysian media texts, should find this book of interest.

Embedding into Our Lives: New Opportunities and Challenges of the Internet / Edited by Louis Leung, Anthony Y. H. Fung and Paul S. N. Lee

Hong Kong: Chinese University Press, 2009

400p.; 23cm.

978-962-996-368-2

\$ 45.00

The essays in this volume examine the effect of the online environment on our social lives via three analytical frameworks: fit, link, and position. They address the way in which the Internet has become an entrenched part of our personal and professional world and a vital tool on which we are increasingly dependent. The volume also explores the capacity of the Internet to embody our economic, cultural, and political "position" online.

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Media Big Bang!: Impact on Business & Society / Seoul Digital Forum, SBS

Korea: CommunicationBooks Publishing Co., 2007

vii. 336p,; 27cm

ISBN-13: 9788984998480

\$ 35.00

As demonstrated by the impact of the printing press, history has taught us that changes in the media ultimately accompany changes in the dynamics of relations in politics, society and the economy. Forum participants were unanimous in saying that the Media Big Bang will have an impact on not only media industries but on everyone.

This report features a collection of researches, speeches and discussions presented at the Seoul Digital Forum 2007, organized by SBS, a leading national broadcasting network in Korea. The Forum was held 29-31 May, on the theme of Media Big Bang that offered a platform for the world's top media leaders to share and discuss the effects, and implications of the new media revolution towards business and society. We believe that this report will serve as a pivotal cornerstone for your imagination and creativity.

The Media and Rwanda Genocide / Edited by Allan Thompson

Uganda: Fountain Publishers, 2007

ISBN 0745326250

\$ 32

Funding and Implementing Universal Access: Innovation and Experience from Uganda / Uganda Communications Commission

Uganda: Fountain Publishers, 2005

ISBN 997002518X

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Telecentres, Access and Development: Experience and Lessons from Uganda and

South Africa / Sarah Parkinson Uganda:Fountain Publishers,2005

ISBN 9970025171

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Media in Situations of Conflict: Roles, Challenges & Responsibilities / Edited by Adolf E. Mbaine

Uganda: Fountain Publishers, 2005

ISBN 9970024809

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Reporting Indonesia: The Jakarta Post Story 1983-2008 / Bill Tarrant

Singapore: Equinox Publishing (Asia) Pte. Ltd, 2008

282p,; 22cm

ISBN-13: 9789793780696

\$ 19.95

Waves of Freedom: Radio News Agency KBR6811 / Santoso

Indonesia: KBR 68H, 2007

xvii. 189p,; 20cm ISBN-10: 9799701287

\$ 15.00

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A Reporter's Memoir: No Hard Feelings / Ismail Kassim

Singapore: Ismail Kassim, 2008

viii. 300p,; 23cm

ISBN-13: 9789810811013

## \$ 19.90

After stepping on toes – big, small and powerful – Ismail Kassim says No Hard Feelings ( Usah Kechil Hati, Bie Jie Yi). This is his way of reminding all of those mentioned in the narrative not to take things to heart. Through his eyes, he recalls with candour events, places and people, including politicians in high office. Whether he writes about his boyish escapades or his tribulations over faith or recollections of Lee Kuan Yew, Goh Chok Tong, Mahathir, Anwar, Pak Lah, Najib and others, he adopts the same irreverent approach and uses the same nonchalant brush. Spanning a period of over six decades from the end of the Second World War in 1945 to the present, his life journey through a troubled age of conflict and change reflects the travails of Singapore moving from being a British colony to independence within Malaysia to unwanted independence to becoming a First World Nation.

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