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one of the main aspirations of the european union eu is the development of a pan european health system with unhindered access to quality care in all member states the phar ga quality assurance in european pharmacy education and training project explored the realities surrounding this idea in the area of pharmacy this book assembles a series of papers already published in the journal pharmacy that describe the project its origins design implementation results interpretation and perspectives this edited volume explores and analyses strategic thinking military reform and adaptation in an era of asian growth european austerity and us rebalancing a significant shift in policy strategy and military affairs is underway in both asia and europe with the former gaining increasing prominence in the domain of global security at the same time the world s powers are now faced with an array of diverse challenges the resurgence of great power politics in both europe and asia along with the long term threats of terrorism piracy and sustained geopolitical instability has placed great strain on militaries and security institutions operating with constrained budgets and wary public support the volume covers a wide range of case studies including the transformation of china s military in the 21st century the internal and external challenges facing india russia s military modernization program and the usa s reassessment of its strategic interests in doing so the book provides the reader with the opportunity to conceptualize how strategic thinking military reform operational adaptation and technological integration have interacted with the challenges outlined above with contributions by leading scholars and practitioners from europe and asia this book provides a valuable contribution to the understanding of strategic and operational thinking and adjustment across the world this book will be of much interest to students of military and strategic studies security studies defence studies asian politics russian politics us foreign policy and ir in general tools for teaching in an educationally mobile world examines the challenges that undergraduate and postgraduate teachers often encounter when working with students from different national and cultural backgrounds it focuses on the consequences for interactive teaching and for course design in a world where students ideas and courses are mobile using examples and experiences from a wide range of disciplines and national contexts it not only considers anglophone countries including the usa canada the uk australia and new zealand but also the use of english as a language of instruction in countries where neither teachers nor students are native english speakers this book offers ideas for adjusting and adapting teaching approaches for culturally and linguistically diverse student groups students may cross national boundaries to seek accreditation or the courses may be transnational being designed in one country and delivered in another using local as well as fly in faculty it draws upon growing good practice recommendations using tried and tested methods alongside the extensive and varied experience of the author the book is structured around a selection of the most common issues and statements of belief held by educators with key topics including the impact of educational mobility on teaching and learning teachers as mediators between academic cultural differences learning and teaching in english inclusive teaching and learning encouraging student participation assessing diverse students with a wealth of practical tips and tools that help deal with these issues this book will be of value to any educator working with students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds it will also interest those involved in the design of curriculum and pedagogy a major collection of essays by a multidisciplinary panel of experts exploring the various interpretations of the european crisis and the future of the european union jonathan boston and simon chapple have written the definitive book on child poverty in new

zealand dr russell wills children s commissioner between 130 000 and 285 000 new zealand children live in poverty depending on the measure used these disturbing figures are widely discussed yet often poorly understood if new zealand does not have third world poverty what are these children actually experiencing is the real problem not poverty but simply poor parenting how does new zealand compare globally and what measures of poverty and hardship are most relevant here what are the consequences of this poverty for children their families and society can we afford to reduce child poverty and if we can how ionathan boston and simon chapple look hard at these questions drawing on available national and international evidence and speaking to an audience across the political spectrum their analysis highlights the strong and urgent case for addressing child poverty in new zealand crucially the book goes beyond illustrating the scale of this challenge and why it must be addressed to identifying real options for reducing child poverty a range of practical and achievable policies is presented alongside candid discussion of their strengths and limitations these proposals for improving the lives of disadvantaged children deserve wide public debate and make this a vitally important book for all new zealanders climate change presents one of the greatest challenges of our time and has become one of the defining issues of the twenty first century the radical changes which both developed and developing countries will need to make in economic and in legal terms to respond to climate change are unprecedented international law including treaty regimes institutions and customary international law needs to address the myriad challenges and consequences of climate change including variations in the weather patterns sea level rise and the resulting migration of peoples the oxford handbook of international climate change law provides an unprecedented and authoritative overview of all aspects of international climate change law as it currently stands with guidance for how it should develop in the future over forty leading scholars and practitioners set out a comprehensive understanding of the legal issues that surround this vitally important but still emerging area of international law this book addresses the major legal dimensions of the problems caused by climate change not only in the content and nature of the international legal frameworks which need implementation at the national level but also the development of carbon trading systems as a means of reducing the costs of meeting emission reduction targets after an introduction to the field the handbook assesses the relevant institutions the key applicable principles of international law the international mitigation regime and its consequences and climate change litigation before providing perspectives focused upon specific countries or regions the handbook will be an invaluable resource for scholars students and practitioners of international climate change law it provides readers with diverse perspectives bringing together interpretations from different disciplines countries and cultures inland fisheries are vital for the livelihoods and food resources of humans worldwide but their importance is underestimated probably because large numbers of small local operators are involved freshwater fisheries ecology defines what we have globally what we are going to lose and mitigate for and what given the right tools we can save to estimate potential production the dynamics of freshwater ecosystems rivers lakes and estuaries need to be understood these dynamics are diverse as are the earths freshwater fisheries resources from boreal to tropical regions and these influence how fisheries are both utilized and abused three main types of fisheries are illustrated within the book artisanal commercial and recreational and the tools which have evolved for fisheries governance and management including assessment methods are described the book also covers in detail fisheries development providing information on improving fisheries through environmental and habitat evaluation enhancement and rehabilitation aquaculture genetically modified fishes and sustainability the book thoroughly reviews the negative impacts on fisheries including excessive harvesting climate change toxicology

impoundments barriers and abstractions non native species and eutrophication finally key areas of future research are outlined freshwater fisheries ecology is truly a landmark publication containing contributions from over 100 leading experts and supported by the fisheries society of the british isles the global approach makes this book essential reading for fish biologists fisheries scientists and ecologists and upper level students in these disciplines libraries in all universities and research establishments where biological and fisheries sciences are studied and taught should have multiple copies of this hugely valuable resource about the editor john craig is editor in chief of the journal of fish biology and has an enormous range of expertise and a wealth of knowledge of freshwater fishes and their ecology having studied them around the globe including in asia north america africa the middle east and europe his particular interests have been in population dynamics and life history strategies he is a fellow of the linnean society of london and the royal society of biology the post yugoslav states have developed very differently since yugoslavia dissolved in the early 1990s this book analyzes the foreign policies of the post yugoslav states thereby focusing on the main goals actors decision making processes and influences on the foreign policies of these countries this book provides a concise overview of the behaviour change models that are relevant to social marketing in order to assist academics and practitioners in social marketing program development the book features a review and analysis of the most valid with researchers around the world are under increasing pressure to publish in high profile international journals this book explores some of the issues affecting authors on the semiperiphery who often find themselves torn between conflicting academic cultures and discourses alo nanconnana a2a donnanconnanconna a3a nanco nanconna a4a anconnanconna a5a anconnan dtpddd dtpddd dtpddd dtpdddd dtpddd dtpdddd dtpddd dtpdd dtpd dt conducting its foreign policy in response to the ukraine conflict and tensions with russia the present book not only illustrates the isms conference s objectives and presents the contents of the lectures but also expands on them through further in depth contributions the results of academic research carried out on the conference topic both across disciplines and isms member states are thus further illuminated the book intends to provide teachers with a guide to possible developments in the field of military science and students with greater insights into its objectives and principles the key question is what added value what kind of usp military science could furnish for society what specific support not already covered by other scientific disciplines or organizations if it were only the science of organizing structuring and commanding armed forces it would not be necessary to define and establish an independent scientific discipline the military itself could accomplish all that in the required quality by itself what would give legitimacy to an independent discipline called military science is a comprehensive i e not only military strategic organic collection of primarily intellectual capabilities safeguarding the secure long term survival of the state and its people thus contributing to the benefit of society in order to increase the publication s academic value and to provide authors with an additional incentive to contribute in future the book was subjected to a peer review process the topics studied in this special issue include a wide range of areas in finance economics tourism management marketing and education the topics in finance include stock market volatility and excess returns reit warrant and options herding behavior and trading strategy supply finance and corporate finance the topics in economics including

economic growth income poverty and political economics the creation of jobs across europe remains a key economic and social challenge for the eu given the negative impact of the financial crisis on european citizens the eu s ability to promote effective job creation policies will be viewed as a major success of the wider integration process in this context a new approach is required to provide a growth based strategy for creating employment across europe what is required is an achievable strategy based on the realities of modern eu labour markets this research based on an analysis of six member states provides a set of recommendations designed to reflect the current characteristics of the eu labour market this research concludes that 1 eu employment policies should be simplified and better co ordinated 2 clearly defined action s should be introduced to further improve labour mobility 3 the focus of policymaking should be switched from combatting unemployment to creating jobs and 4 it is possible to finance the recovery by bridging the gap between investment and reform this collection offers a comparative overview of how financial regulations have evolved in various european countries since the introduction of the single european market in 1986 it includes a number of country studies which provides a narrative of the domestic financial regulatory structure at the beginning of the period as well the means by which the eu directives have been introduced into domestic legislation and the impact on the financial structure of the economy in particular studies highlight how the discretion allowed by the directives has been used to meet the then existing domestic conditions and financial structure as well as how they have modified that structure countries covered are france germany italy spain estonia hungary and slovenia the book also contains an overview of regulatory changes in the uk and nordic countries and in post crisis usa this comparative approach raises questions about whether past and more recent regulatory changes have in fact contributed to increase financial stability in the eu the comparative analysis provided in this book raises questions on whether the past and more recent changes are contributing to increase the financial stability and efficiency of individual banks and national financial systems the crisis has demonstrated the drawbacks of formulating the regulatory framework on standards borrowed from the best industry practices from the large developed countries originally designed exclusively for large global banks but now applied to all financial institutions african disability rights yearbook volume 2 2014 edited by charles ngwena ilze grobbelaar du plessis helene combrinck and serges djoyou kamga 2014 issn 2311 8970 pages 327 print version available electronic version free pdf available about the publication the 2014 issue of the african disability rights yearbook addresses disability rights within the foundational structure laid down by the inaugural issue the structure comprises a tripartite division between articles country reports and shorter commentaries on recent regional and sub regional developments the african disability rights yearbook aims to advance disability scholarship coming in the wake of the united nations convention on the rights of persons with disabilities it is the first peer reviewed journal to focus exclusively on disability as human rights on the african continent it provides an annual forum for scholarly analysis on issues pertaining to the human rights of persons with disabilities it is also a source for country based reports as well as commentaries on recent developments in the field of disability rights in the african region the african disability rights yearbook publishes peer reviewed contributions dealing with the rights of persons with disabilities and related topics with specific relevance to africa africans and scholars of africa the yearbook appears annually under the aegis of the centre for human rights faculty of law university of pretoria the yearbook is an open access online publication see adry up ac za about the editors charles ngwena is professor department of constitutional law and legal philosophy faculty of law university of the free state south africa ilze grobbelaar du plessis is a senior lecturer and holds the degrees

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happened in the gunpowder age tonio andrade offers a compelling new answer opening a fresh perspective on a key question of world history why did the countries of western europe surge to global importance starting in the 1500s while china slipped behind historians have long argued that gunpowder weapons helped europeans establish global hegemony yet the inhabitants of what is today china not only invented guns and bombs but also as andrade shows continued to innovate in gunpowder technology through the early 1700s much longer than previously thought why then did china become so vulnerable andrade argues that one significant reason is that it was out of practice fighting wars having enjoyed nearly a century of relative peace since 1760 indeed he demonstrates that china like europe was a powerful military innovator particularly during times of great warfare such as the violent century starting after the opium war when the chinese once again quickly modernized their forces today china is simply returning to its old position as one of the world s great military powers by showing that china s military dynamism was deeper longer lasting and more quickly recovered than previously understood the gunpowder age challenges long standing explanations of the so called great divergence between the west and asia this volume analyzes crises in international relations ir in an innovative way rather than conceptualizing a crisis as something unexpected that has to be managed the contributors argue that a crisis needs to be analyzed within a wider context of change when new discourses are formed communities are re built and new identities emerge focusing on ukraine the book explore various questions related to crisis and change including how are crises culturally and socially constructed how do issues of agency and structure come into play in ukraine which subjectivities were brought into existence by ukraine crisis discourses chapters explore the participation of women in euromaidan identity shifts in the crimean tatar community and diaspora politics discourses related to corruption anti soviet partisan warfare and the annexation of crimea as well as long distance impacts of the crisis online auctions have undergone many transformations and continue to attract millions of customers worldwide however these popular platforms remain understudied by legal scholars and misunderstood by legislators this book explores the legal classification of online auction sites across a range of countries in europe including empirical studies conducted on 28 online auction websites in the uk the research focusses on the protection of consumers economic rights and highlights the shortcomings that the law struggles to control with examinations into important developments including the consumer rights directive and the latest case law from the cjeu on the liability of intermediaries riefa anticipates changes in the law and points out further changes that are needed to create a safe legal environment for consumers whilst preserving the varied business model adopted by online auction sites the study provides insights into how technical measures as well as a tighter legislative framework or enforcement pattern could provide consumers with better protection in turn reinforcing trust and ultimately benefiting the online auction platforms themselves food security is high on the political agenda fears about societal insecurity due to food price increases and hunger grave scenarios regarding the effects of climate change and general uncertainty about the impacts of investments in biofuels and so call land grabbing on food prices and availability have meant that food security is now recognised as being a multifaceted challenge this book is unique in that it will bring together analyses of these different factors that impact on food security this volume will describe a range of different perspectives on food security with an emphasis on the various meanings that are applied to food security crisis the challenges to be reviewed include market volatility climate change and state fragility analyses of responses to food security crises and risk will cover rural and urban contexts arenas of national policy formation and global food regimes and investment in land and productive technologies this book is unique in two respects first it takes a step back from the normative literature focused

on specific factors of for example climate change agricultural production or market volatility to look instead at the dynamic interplay between these new challenges it helps readers to understand that food security is not one discourse but is rather related to how these different factors generate multiple risks and opportunities second through the case studies the book particularly emphasises how these factors come together at local levels as farmers entrepreneurs consumers local government officials and others are making key decisions about what will be done to address food security and whose food security will be given priority the book will explore how food production and consumption is embedded in powerful political and market forces and how these influence local actions completely revised and updated the third edition of this bestseller discusses the concept and ongoing development of using methanol and derived dimethyl ether as a transportation fuel energy storage medium and as a chemical raw material to replace fossil fuels the contents have been expanded by 35 with new and up to date coverage on energy storage methanol from biomass and waste products as well as on carbon dioxide capture and recycling written by the late nobel laureate george olah alain goeppert and g k surya prakash this is an inspiring read for anyone concerned with the major challenge posed by environmental problems including global warming and ocean acidification due to massive increase in fossil fuel use the book provides a comprehensive and sustainable solution to replace fossil fuels in the long run by chemical recycling of carbon dioxide through renewable methanol utilizing alternative energy sources such as solar wind hydro geothermal and nuclear the methanol economy is being progressively implemented in many parts of the world behavioral finance presented in this book is the second generation of 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 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 and their benefits utilitarian expressive and emotional 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 include financial security nurturing children and families gaining high social status and staying true to values people s normal wants even more than their cognitive and emotional shortcuts and errors underlie answers to important questions of finance including saving and spending portfolio construction asset pricing and market efficiency education in west africa is a comprehensive critical reference guide to education in the region written by regional experts the book explores the education systems of benin burkina faso cameroon cape verde chad the gambia ghana guinea guinea bissau ivory coast liberia mali mauritania niger nigeria senegal sierra leone and togo it critically examines the development of education provision in each country whilst exploring both local and global contexts including a comparative introduction to the issues facing education in the region as a whole this handbook is an essential reference for researchers scholars international agencies and policy makers at all levels a nation s prosperity depends not only on the willingness of its businesses to export goods and services and of its citizens and residents to travel to take advantage of opportunities overseas but also on the willingness of the businesses and citizens of other nations to cross the nation s borders to do business economic expansion and parallel increases in tourism and immigration have brought australians more frequently into contact with the laws and legal systems of other nations in particular in recent years trade with partners in the asia pacific region has become increasingly important to the nation s future at the same time australian courts are faced with a growing number of disputes involving foreign facts and parties in recognition of these

developments and the need to ensure that the applicable rules meet the needs both of transacting parties and society the attorney general s department launched in 2012 a full review of australian rules of private international law this collection examines the state and future of australian private international law against the background of the attorney general s review the contributors approach the topic from a variety of perspectives judge policy maker practitioner academic and with practical and theoretical insights as to operation of private international law rules in australia חחחחח חחחחחחחחח חחחחחחחחח a recent wave of brain research has advanced our understanding of the neural mechanisms of conscious states contents and functions a host of questions remain to be explored as shown by lively debates between models of higher vs lower order aspects of consciousness as well as global vs local models baars 2007 block 2009 dennett and cohen 2011 lau and rosenthal 2011 over some twenty five centuries the contemplative traditions have also developed explicit descriptions and taxonomies of the mind to interpret experiences that are often reported in contemplative practices radhakrishnan moore 1967 rinbochay naper 1981 these traditional descriptions sometimes converge on current scientific debates such as the question of conceptual vs non conceptual consciousness reflexivity or self knowing associated with consciousness the sense of self and consciousness and aspects of consciousness that are said to continue during sleep these real or claimed aspects of consciousness have not been fully integrated into scientific models so far this research topic in consciousness research aims to provide a forum for theoretical proposals new empirical findings integrative literature reviews and methodological improvements inspired by meditation based models we include a broad array of topics including but not limited to replicable findings from a variety of systematic mental practices changes in brain functioning and organization that can be attributed to such practices their effects on adaptation and neural plasticity measurable effects on perception cognition affect and self referential processes we include contributions that address the question of causal attribution many published studies are correlational in nature because of the inherent difficulty of conducting longitudinal experiments based on a major lifestyle decision such as the decision to commit to a mental practice over a period of years we also feature clinical and case studies integrative syntheses and significant opinion articles the professional practice as well as the academic discipline of planning has been fundamentally re invented all over the world in recent decades in this astonishing transition the thinking and scholarship of patsy healey appears as a constantly recurring influence and inspiration around the globe the purpose of this book is to present discuss and celebrate healey s seminal contributions to the development of the theory and practice of spatial planning the volume contains a selection of 13 less readily available but nevertheless key texts by healey which have been selected to represent the trajectory of patsy s work across the several decades of her research career 12 original chapters by a wide range of invited contributors take the ideas in the reprinted papers as points of departure for their own work tracing out their continuing relevance for contemporary and future directions in planning scholarship in doing so these chapters tease out the themes and interests in healey s work which are still highly relevant to the planning project the title connections symbolises relationality possibly the most outstanding element linking patsy s ideas the book showcases the wide international influence of patsy s work and celebrates the whole trajectory of work to show how many of her ideas on for instance the role of theory in planning processes of change networking as a mode of governance how ideas spread and ways of thinking planning democratically were ahead of their time and are still of importance over the past 20 years the perception of tourism as an effective contributor

to socio economic development in the developing world has propagated with many viewing tourism as a provider for poverty alleviation and towards other un millennium development goals over the same period readers have become familiar with the paradoxes complexities and inequalities of tourism in relation to development wealth creation growth redistribution governance and hosts guests relationships this volume further extends this critical debate with a much needed cohesive publication on sub sahara africa ssa in an era of fluctuating tourist arrivals at global level the growth of tourism in ssa requires deeper consideration in terms of its inconsistent and questionable implications at local level taking as a central theme the debate on whether tourism should be used in development efforts this book examines the way in which tourism has controversially become the way forward to development in several ssa locations and assesses bottlenecks to sustainable development as well as dilemmas and challenges faced by those ssa destinations seeking to achieve development through tourism it offers an explicit set of chapters adopting a multi disciplinary approach drawing upon tourism studies human geography sociology anthropology political economy development and environmental studies and integrates case studies authored by local african practitioners and academics to produce a book that gave voice to local experts on local realities combining an overview of key theories concepts contemporary issues and debates as well as practical insights from a wide range of regions in ssa this book will be a valuable resource for those investigating the role of tourism in development the city of london and social democracy examines the relationship between the financial sector and the state in post war britain the key argument made in aled davies s study is that changes to the financial sector during the 1960s and 1970s undermined the state s capacity to sustain and develop a modern industrial economy social democratic economic strategy was constrained by the institutionalization of investment in pension and insurance funds the fragmentation of the nation s oligopolistic domestic banking system the emergence of an unregulated international capital market based in london and the breakdown of the bretton woods international monetary system novel attempts to reconfigure social democratic economic strategy in response to these changes ultimately proved unsuccessful meanwhile the assumption that national prosperity could only be achieved through industrial growth was challenged by a reconceptualization of britain as a fundamentally financial and commercial nation an idea that was successfully promoted by the city itself these findings assert the need to place the thatcher governments subsequent neoliberal economic revolution which saw the acceleration of deindustrialization and the triumph of the city of london as a pre eminent international financial centre within a broader material institutional and cultural context previously underappreciated by historians south africa s high rate of unemployment 26 4 makes it a complete outlier compared with other middle income countries indeed the unemployment rate rises to 36 if discouraged workers are taken into account it underpins extreme poverty and inequality and is a major contributor to social dislocation if it were not for increased social payments poverty would have continued to increase since the advent of democracy in 1994 unemployment also represents a huge cost to growth this book focuses on the growth path of the economy the starting point is that while more rapid economic expansion is an important objective at any given level of growth the economy as a whole needs to become more labour absorbing the central question posed is how to bring about changes in the economic structure and pattern of development which would lead to the attainment of this objective the authors argue that employment needs to be much more centrally positioned within the economic and social policy arena they emphasise innovative approaches within a broader focus on the growth path and employment intensive growth and they posit that the negative impact of previous distortions requires much more than a levelling of the playing field via market based reforms apart from presenting an

alternative growth path which could start to shift the economy in new directions the book tackles themes which have received only limited attention such as wage subsidies youth unemployment and employment growth in rural areas understanding the social economy of the united states is a comprehensive introduction to the operation and study of organizations with social goals rich in examples and case studies that explain the social economy framework in the context of the united states this new text introduces the history evolution and contemporary state of one of the european union s most important expensive and controversial policies it examines the role that cohesion policy plays in european integration as well as in economic development across regions and analyzes the key debates and issues at stake the international papers in political economy ippe series explores the latest developments in political economy this twelfth volume presents a collection of eight papers analysing the emergence and economic problems of the emerging economies during and after the international financial crisis of 2007 8 and the subsequent great recession the contributions range from an analysis of the international financial crisis of 2007 8 in general terms to an analysis of the same but concentrating on the emerging economies before turning to groups of economies arab african and eastern european countries and two relevant but individual countries namely china and turkey this book offers students scholars researchers and policy makers detailed analysis and informed commentary on the origins of the international financial crisis of 2007 8 and the great recession by focusing on its effect on emerging countries mary ellen avery was the driving force behind the discipline of neonatology she fought against convention when she published her ground breaking paper in 1959 showing that hyaline membrane disease was caused by lung surfactant deficiency up until then it was thought to be an due to amniotic fluid aspiration as suggested by hoccheim in 1903 she encouraged her students to think out of the box as long as we were studying something that you couldn t live without in addition to being a great clinician researcher she was a mentor the article is by her former students writing about their personal experiences under the tutelage of mel avery the third plenum of the 18 th central committee of the communist party of china in november reinforced the importance of public finance reform drawing on recent technical assistance from the asian development bank adb special reports and the work of adb staff the publication offers observation and suggestion on how to pursue public finance reform the publication also outlines practical actions that can be taken to improve budgeting taxation and the system of fiscal decentralization in the people s republic of china special attention is given to the management of local government debt the most pressing fiscal issue facing the people s republic of china the potential contribution of public private partnerships is also introduced nannannanna matlabaanna nannannannannannanna □□□ □□□□□□□□□ research inherently requires collaborative efforts between individuals databases and institutions however the systems that enable such interpersonal cooperation must be properly suited in facilitating such efforts to avoid impeding productivity collaborative knowledge in scientific research networks addresses the various systems in place for collaborative e research and how these practices serve to enhance the quality of research across disciplines covering new networks available through social media as well as traditional methods such as mailing lists and forums this publication considers various scientific disciplines and their individual needs theorists of collaborative scientific work technology developers researchers and funding agency officials will find this book valuable in exploring and understanding the process of scientific collaboration

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one of the main aspirations of the european union eu is the development of a pan european health system with unhindered access to quality care in all member states the phar qa quality assurance in european pharmacy education and training project explored the realities surrounding this idea in the area of pharmacy this book assembles a series of papers already published in the journal pharmacy that describe the project its origins design implementation results interpretation and perspectives

Security, Strategy and Military Change in the 21st Century 2015-05-22

this edited volume explores and analyses strategic thinking military reform and adaptation in an era of asian growth european austerity and us rebalancing a significant shift in policy strategy and military affairs is underway in both asia and europe with the former gaining increasing prominence in the domain of global security at the same time the world s powers are now faced with an array of diverse challenges the resurgence of great power politics in both europe and asia along with the long term threats of terrorism piracy and sustained geopolitical instability has placed great strain on militaries and security institutions operating with constrained budgets and wary public support the volume covers a wide range of case studies including the transformation of china s military in the 21st century the internal and external challenges facing india russia s military modernization program and the usa s reassessment of its strategic interests in doing so the book provides the reader with the opportunity to conceptualize how strategic thinking military reform operational adaptation and technological integration have interacted with the challenges outlined above with contributions by leading scholars and practitioners from europe and asia this book provides a valuable contribution to the understanding of strategic and operational thinking and adjustment across the world this book will be of much interest to students of military and strategic studies security studies defence studies asian politics russian politics us foreign policy and ir in general

Tools for Teaching in an Educationally Mobile World 2014-06-27

tools for teaching in an educationally mobile world examines the challenges that undergraduate and postgraduate teachers often encounter when working with students from different national and cultural backgrounds it focuses on the consequences for interactive teaching and for course design in a world where students ideas and courses are mobile using examples and experiences from a wide range of disciplines and national contexts it not only considers anglophone countries including the usa canada the uk australia and new zealand but also the use of english as a language of instruction in countries where neither teachers nor students are native english speakers this book offers ideas for adjusting and adapting teaching approaches for culturally and linguistically diverse student groups students may cross national boundaries to seek accreditation or the courses may be transnational being designed in one country and delivered in another using local as well as fly in faculty it draws upon growing good practice recommendations using tried and tested methods alongside the extensive and varied experience of the author the book is structured around a selection of the most

common issues and statements of belief held by educators with key topics including the impact of educational mobility on teaching and learning teachers as mediators between academic cultural differences learning and teaching in english inclusive teaching and learning encouraging student participation assessing diverse students with a wealth of practical tips and tools that help deal with these issues this book will be of value to any educator working with students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds it will also interest those involved in the design of curriculum and pedagogy

The Future of Europe 2014-11-03

a major collection of essays by a multidisciplinary panel of experts exploring the various interpretations of the european crisis and the future of the european union

Child Poverty in New Zealand 2014-06-16

jonathan boston and simon chapple have written the definitive book on child poverty in new zealand dr russell wills children s commissioner between 130 000 and 285 000 new zealand children live in poverty depending on the measure used these disturbing figures are widely discussed yet often poorly understood if new zealand does not have third world poverty what are these children actually experiencing is the real problem not poverty but simply poor parenting how does new zealand compare globally and what measures of poverty and hardship are most relevant here what are the consequences of this poverty for children their families and society can we afford to reduce child poverty and if we can how jonathan boston and simon chapple look hard at these questions drawing on available national and international evidence and speaking to an audience across the political spectrum their analysis highlights the strong and urgent case for addressing child poverty in new zealand crucially the book goes beyond illustrating the scale of this challenge and why it must be addressed to identifying real options for reducing child poverty a range of practical and achievable policies is presented alongside candid discussion of their strengths and limitations these proposals for improving the lives of disadvantaged children deserve wide public debate and make this a vitally important book for all new zealanders

The Oxford Handbook of International Climate Change Law 2016-03-24

climate change presents one of the greatest challenges of our time and has become one of the defining issues of the twenty first century the radical changes which both developed and developing countries will need to make in economic and in legal terms to respond to climate change are unprecedented international law including treaty regimes institutions and customary international law needs to address the myriad challenges and consequences of climate change including variations in the weather patterns sea level rise and the resulting migration of peoples the oxford handbook of international climate change law provides an unprecedented and authoritative overview of all aspects of international climate change law as it currently stands with guidance for how it should develop in the future over forty leading scholars and practitioners set out a comprehensive understanding of the legal issues that surround this vitally important but still emerging area of international law this book addresses the major legal dimensions of the problems caused by climate change not only in the content and nature of the international legal frameworks which need implementation at the national level

but also the development of carbon trading systems as a means of reducing the costs of meeting emission reduction targets after an introduction to the field the handbook assesses the relevant institutions the key applicable principles of international law the international mitigation regime and its consequences and climate change litigation before providing perspectives focused upon specific countries or regions the handbook will be an invaluable resource for scholars students and practitioners of international climate change law it provides readers with diverse perspectives bringing together interpretations from different disciplines countries and cultures

Freshwater Fisheries Ecology 2016-01-12

inland fisheries are vital for the livelihoods and food resources of humans worldwide but their importance is underestimated probably because large numbers of small local operators are involved freshwater fisheries ecology defines what we have globally what we are going to lose and mitigate for and what given the right tools we can save to estimate potential production the dynamics of freshwater ecosystems rivers lakes and estuaries need to be understood these dynamics are diverse as are the earths freshwater fisheries resources from boreal to tropical regions and these influence how fisheries are both utilized and abused three main types of fisheries are illustrated within the book artisanal commercial and recreational and the tools which have evolved for fisheries governance and management including assessment methods are described the book also covers in detail fisheries development providing information on improving fisheries through environmental and habitat evaluation enhancement and rehabilitation aquaculture genetically modified fishes and sustainability the book thoroughly reviews the negative impacts on fisheries including excessive harvesting climate change toxicology impoundments barriers and abstractions non native species and eutrophication finally key areas of future research are outlined freshwater fisheries ecology is truly a landmark publication containing contributions from over 100 leading experts and supported by the fisheries society of the british isles the global approach makes this book essential reading for fish biologists fisheries scientists and ecologists and upper level students in these disciplines libraries in all universities and research establishments where biological and fisheries sciences are studied and taught should have multiple copies of this hugely valuable resource about the editor john craig is editor in chief of the journal of fish biology and has an enormous range of expertise and a wealth of knowledge of freshwater fishes and their ecology having studied them around the globe including in asia north america africa the middle east and europe his particular interests have been in population dynamics and life history strategies he is a fellow of the linnean society of london and the royal society of biology

The Foreign Policies of Post-Yugoslav States 2014-12-17

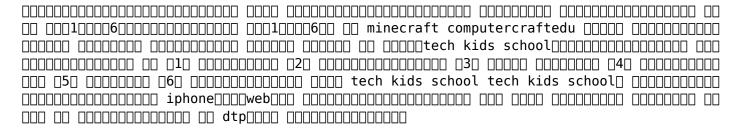
the post yugoslav states have developed very differently since yugoslavia dissolved in the early 1990s this book analyzes the foreign policies of the post yugoslav states thereby focusing on the main goals actors decision making processes and influences on the foreign policies of these countries

Social Marketing and Behaviour Change 2014-12-31

this book provides a concise overview of the behaviour change models that are relevant to social marketing in order to assist academics and practitioners in social marketing program development the book features a review and analysis of the most valid

The Semiperiphery of Academic Writing 2014-09-02

with researchers around the world are under increasing pressure to publish in high profile international journals this book explores some of the issues affecting authors on the semiperiphery who often find themselves torn between conflicting academic cultures and discourses



Europe's Eastern Crisis 2017-04-06

this book uncovers the changing way the eu is conducting its foreign policy in response to the ukraine conflict and tensions with russia

Building Military Science for the Benefit of Society 2020-08-03

the present book not only illustrates the isms conference s objectives and presents the contents of the lectures but also expands on them through further in depth contributions the results of academic research carried out on the conference topic both across disciplines and isms member states are thus further illuminated the book intends to provide teachers with a guide to possible developments in the field of military science and students with greater insights into its objectives and principles the key question is what added value what kind of usp military science could furnish for society what specific support not already covered by other scientific disciplines or organizations if it were only the science of organizing structuring and commanding armed forces it would not be necessary to define and establish an independent scientific discipline the military itself could accomplish all that in the required quality by itself what would give legitimacy to an independent discipline called military science is a comprehensive i e not only military strategic organic collection of primarily intellectual capabilities safeguarding the secure long term survival of the state and its people thus contributing to the benefit of society in order to increase the publication s academic value and to provide authors with an additional incentive to contribute in future the book was subjected to a peer review process

Sustainability of the Theories Developed by Mathematical Finance and Mathematical Economics with Applications 2020-12-15

the topics studied in this special issue include a wide range of areas in finance economics tourism management marketing and education the topics in finance include stock market volatility and excess returns reit warrant and options herding behavior

and trading strategy supply finance and corporate finance the topics in economics including economic growth income poverty and political economics

It's Our Job 2015-04-15

the creation of jobs across europe remains a key economic and social challenge for the eu given the negative impact of the financial crisis on european citizens the eu s ability to promote effective job creation policies will be viewed as a major success of the wider integration process in this context a new approach is required to provide a growth based strategy for creating employment across europe what is required is an achievable strategy based on the realities of modern eu labour markets this research based on an analysis of six member states provides a set of recommendations designed to reflect the current characteristics of the eu labour market this research concludes that 1 eu employment policies should be simplified and better co ordinated 2 clearly defined action s should be introduced to further improve labour mobility 3 the focus of policymaking should be switched from combatting unemployment to creating jobs and 4 it is possible to finance the recovery by bridging the gap between investment and reform

Financial Regulation in the European Union 2015-10-08

this collection offers a comparative overview of how financial regulations have evolved in various european countries since the introduction of the single european market in 1986 it includes a number of country studies which provides a narrative of the domestic financial regulatory structure at the beginning of the period as well the means by which the eu directives have been introduced into domestic legislation and the impact on the financial structure of the economy in particular studies highlight how the discretion allowed by the directives has been used to meet the then existing domestic conditions and financial structure as well as how they have modified that structure countries covered are france germany italy spain estonia hungary and slovenia the book also contains an overview of regulatory changes in the uk and nordic countries and in post crisis usa this comparative approach raises questions about whether past and more recent regulatory changes have in fact contributed to increase financial stability in the eu the comparative analysis provided in this book raises questions on whether the past and more recent changes are contributing to increase the financial stability and efficiency of individual banks and national financial systems the crisis has demonstrated the drawbacks of formulating the regulatory framework on standards borrowed from the best industry practices from the large developed countries originally designed exclusively for large global banks but now applied to all financial institutions

African Disability Rights Yearbook Volume 2 2014 2014-01-01

african disability rights yearbook volume 2 2014 edited by charles ngwena ilze grobbelaar du plessis helene combrinck and serges djoyou kamga 2014 issn 2311 8970 pages 327 print version available electronic version free pdf available about the publication the 2014 issue of the african disability rights yearbook addresses disability rights within the foundational structure laid down by the inaugural issue the structure comprises a tripartite division between articles country reports and shorter commentaries on recent regional and sub regional developments the african disability rights yearbook aims to advance disability scholarship coming in the wake of

the united nations convention on the rights of persons with disabilities it is the first peer reviewed journal to focus exclusively on disability as human rights on the african continent it provides an annual forum for scholarly analysis on issues pertaining to the human rights of persons with disabilities it is also a source for country based reports as well as commentaries on recent developments in the field of disability rights in the african region the african disability rights yearbook publishes peer reviewed contributions dealing with the rights of persons with disabilities and related topics with specific relevance to africa africans and scholars of africa the yearbook appears annually under the aegis of the centre for human rights faculty of law university of pretoria the yearbook is an open access online publication see adry up ac za about the editors charles ngwena is professor department of constitutional law and legal philosophy faculty of law university of the free state south africa ilze grobbelaar du plessis is a senior lecturer and holds the degrees biuris llb llm lld from the university of pretoria helene combrinck is associate professor at the centre for disability law and policy university of the western cape serges djoyou kamgais is senior lecturer at tmali unisa table of contents editorial section a articles the right to inclusive education in botswana present challenges and future prospects obonye jonas the basic education act of 2013 why it is one step forward and two steps back for children with disabilities in kenya william aseka and arlene s kanter too little too late the crpd as a standard to evaluate south african legislation and policies for early childhood development sue philpott everybody counts the right to vote of persons with psychosocial disabilities in south africa heléne combrinck termination of pregnancy of persons with mental disabilities on medical advice a case study of south africa ashwanee budoo and rajendra parsad gunputh economic discourses of disability in africa an overview of lay and legislative narratives shimelis tsegaye tesemma section b country reports botswana thuto hlalele romola adeola adebayo okeowo daba bacha muleta and lucius batty njiti egypt lila meadows nadia adib bamieh and janet e lord kenya elizabeth kamundia malawi enoch macdonnell chilemba mauritius ashwanee budoo and roopanand amar mahadew uganda louis o oyaro zambia natasha banda and likando kalaluka zimbabwe esau mandipa and gift manyatera section c regional developments developments regarding disability rights during 2013 the african charter and african commission on human and peoples rights heléne combrinck and lawrence m mute baby steps developments at the african committee of experts on the rights and welfare of the child 2013 2014 lorenzo wakefield disability rights in the sub regional economic communities during 2013 lucyline nkatha murungi

Gender and Queer Perspectives on Brexit 2019-01-04

this collection examines the opportunities and challenges rights and wrongs and prospects and risks of brexit from the perspectives of gender and sexuality while much has been written about brexit from legal political social and economic perspectives there has been little analysis of the effects of brexit on women and gender sexual minorities who have historically been marginalised and whose voices have been less audible in political debates both nationally and at the european level the collection explores how brexit might change the equality human rights and social justice landscape but from the viewpoint of women and gender sexual minorities the contributions gathered in it demonstrate the variety of ways that brexit will make a difference to the lives of women and individuals marginalised because of gender or sexual identity

Life After Privatization 2015-04-16

life after privatization offers a refreshing and original theoretical conceptualization of what happened to stateowned enterprises after they were privatized from the late 1970s onwards some privatized firms have become todays european and global giants alphas merging with or acquiring other firms whereas other firms betas have been taken over by alphas or other sectoral leaders the book raises questions such as which privatized firms in the airline automobile and the electricity sectors in the uk france germany italy and spain are alphas and betas today and why building on a variety of themes from both political science and business studies it considers a comprehensive set of explanations both internal and external to the firm to analyse why a firm may become an alpha or a beta the evidence shows that while internal factors are important the more external political factors are necessary and sufficient to explain why a firm becomes an alpha or a beta this includes the impact of liberalization the roles of states and the actions of regulators that are lobbied by firms based on exhaustive evidence life after privatization concludes with a novel inductive theory which offers a significant step forward for social science scholars and practitioners understanding of the politics businesses face in global markets

The Gunpowder Age 2017-08-29

a first look at gunpowder s revolutionary impact on china s role in global history the chinese invented gunpowder and began exploring its military uses as early as the 900s four centuries before the technology passed to the west but by the early 1800s china had fallen so far behind the west in gunpowder warfare that it was easily defeated by britain in the opium war of 1839 42 what happened in the gunpowder age tonio andrade offers a compelling new answer opening a fresh perspective on a key question of world history why did the countries of western europe surge to global importance starting in the 1500s while china slipped behind historians have long argued that gunpowder weapons helped europeans establish global hegemony yet the inhabitants of what is today china not only invented guns and bombs but also as andrade shows continued to innovate in gunpowder technology through the early 1700s much longer than previously thought why then did china become so vulnerable andrade argues that one significant reason is that it was out of practice fighting wars having enjoyed nearly a century of relative peace since 1760 indeed he demonstrates that china like europe was a powerful military innovator particularly during times of great warfare such as the violent century starting after the opium war when the chinese once again quickly modernized their forces today china is simply returning to its old position as one of the world s great military powers by showing that china s military dynamism was deeper longer lasting and more quickly recovered than previously understood the gunpowder age challenges long standing explanations of the so called great divergence between the west and asia

Crisis and Change in Post-Cold War Global Politics 2018-05-02

this volume analyzes crises in international relations ir in an innovative way rather than conceptualizing a crisis as something unexpected that has to be managed the contributors argue that a crisis needs to be analyzed within a wider context of change when new discourses are formed communities are re built and new identities emerge focusing on ukraine the book explore various questions related to crisis and change including how are crises culturally and socially constructed how do issues of agency

and structure come into play in ukraine which subjectivities were brought into existence by ukraine crisis discourses chapters explore the participation of women in euromaidan identity shifts in the crimean tatar community and diaspora politics discourses related to corruption anti soviet partisan warfare and the annexation of crimea as well as long distance impacts of the crisis

Consumer Protection and Online Auction Platforms 2016-03-03

online auctions have undergone many transformations and continue to attract millions of customers worldwide however these popular platforms remain understudied by legal scholars and misunderstood by legislators this book explores the legal classification of online auction sites across a range of countries in europe including empirical studies conducted on 28 online auction websites in the uk the research focusses on the protection of consumers economic rights and highlights the shortcomings that the law struggles to control with examinations into important developments including the consumer rights directive and the latest case law from the cjeu on the liability of intermediaries riefa anticipates changes in the law and points out further changes that are needed to create a safe legal environment for consumers whilst preserving the varied business model adopted by online auction sites the study provides insights into how technical measures as well as a tighter legislative framework or enforcement pattern could provide consumers with better protection in turn reinforcing trust and ultimately benefiting the online auction platforms themselves

New Challenges to Food Security 2014-11-13

food security is high on the political agenda fears about societal insecurity due to food price increases and hunger grave scenarios regarding the effects of climate change and general uncertainty about the impacts of investments in biofuels and so call land grabbing on food prices and availability have meant that food security is now recognised as being a multifaceted challenge this book is unique in that it will bring together analyses of these different factors that impact on food security this volume will describe a range of different perspectives on food security with an emphasis on the various meanings that are applied to food security crisis the challenges to be reviewed include market volatility climate change and state fragility analyses of responses to food security crises and risk will cover rural and urban contexts arenas of national policy formation and global food regimes and investment in land and productive technologies this book is unique in two respects first it takes a step back from the normative literature focused on specific factors of for example climate change agricultural production or market volatility to look instead at the dynamic interplay between these new challenges it helps readers to understand that food security is not one discourse but is rather related to how these different factors generate multiple risks and opportunities second through the case studies the book particularly emphasises how these factors come together at local levels as farmers entrepreneurs consumers local government officials and others are making key decisions about what will be done to address food security and whose food security will be given priority the book will explore how food production and consumption is embedded in powerful political and market forces and how these influence local actions

Beyond Oil and Gas 2018-10-22

completely revised and updated the third edition of this bestseller discusses the concept and ongoing development of using methanol and derived dimethyl ether as a transportation fuel energy storage medium and as a chemical raw material to replace fossil fuels the contents have been expanded by 35 with new and up to date coverage on energy storage methanol from biomass and waste products as well as on carbon dioxide capture and recycling written by the late nobel laureate george olah alain goeppert and g k surya prakash this is an inspiring read for anyone concerned with the major challenge posed by environmental problems including global warming and ocean acidification due to massive increase in fossil fuel use the book provides a comprehensive and sustainable solution to replace fossil fuels in the long run by chemical recycling of carbon dioxide through renewable methanol utilizing alternative energy sources such as solar wind hydro geothermal and nuclear the methanol economy is being progressively implemented in many parts of the world

Behavioral Finance: The Second Generation 2019-12-02

behavioral finance presented in this book is the second generation of 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 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 and their benefits utilitarian expressive and emotional 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 include financial security nurturing children and families gaining high social status and staying true to values people s normal wants even more than their cognitive and emotional shortcuts and errors underlie answers to important questions of finance including saving and spending portfolio construction asset pricing and market efficiency

Education in West Africa 2015-05-21

education in west africa is a comprehensive critical reference guide to education in the region written by regional experts the book explores the education systems of benin burkina faso cameroon cape verde chad the gambia ghana guinea guinea bissau ivory coast liberia mali mauritania niger nigeria senegal sierra leone and togo it critically examines the development of education provision in each country whilst exploring both local and global contexts including a comparative introduction to the issues facing education in the region as a whole this handbook is an essential reference for researchers scholars international agencies and policy makers at all levels

<u>Australian Private International Law for the 21st Century</u> 2014-11-20

a nation s prosperity depends not only on the willingness of its businesses to export goods and services and of its citizens and residents to travel to take advantage of opportunities overseas but also on the willingness of the businesses and citizens of other nations to cross the nation s borders to do business economic expansion and

parallel increases in tourism and immigration have brought australians more frequently into contact with the laws and legal systems of other nations in particular in recent years trade with partners in the asia pacific region has become increasingly important to the nation s future at the same time australian courts are faced with a growing number of disputes involving foreign facts and parties in recognition of these developments and the need to ensure that the applicable rules meet the needs both of transacting parties and society the attorney general s department launched in 2012 a full review of australian rules of private international law this collection examines the state and future of australian private international law against the background of the attorney general s review the contributors approach the topic from a variety of perspectives judge policy maker practitioner academic and with practical and theoretical insights as to operation of private international law rules in australia and other legal systems

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What Can Neuroscience Learn from Contemplative Practices? 2016-09-22

a recent wave of brain research has advanced our understanding of the neural mechanisms of conscious states contents and functions a host of questions remain to be explored as shown by lively debates between models of higher vs lower order aspects of consciousness as well as global vs local models baars 2007 block 2009 dennett and cohen 2011 lau and rosenthal 2011 over some twenty five centuries the contemplative traditions have also developed explicit descriptions and taxonomies of the mind to interpret experiences that are often reported in contemplative practices radhakrishnan moore 1967 rinbochay naper 1981 these traditional descriptions sometimes converge on current scientific debates such as the question of conceptual vs non conceptual consciousness reflexivity or self knowing associated with consciousness the sense of self and consciousness and aspects of consciousness that are said to continue during sleep these real or claimed aspects of consciousness have not been fully integrated into scientific models so far this research topic in consciousness research aims to provide a forum for theoretical proposals new empirical findings integrative literature reviews and methodological improvements inspired by meditation based models we include a broad array of topics including but not limited to replicable findings from a variety of systematic mental practices changes in brain functioning and organization that can be attributed to such practices their effects on adaptation and neural plasticity measurable effects on perception cognition affect and self referential processes we include contributions that address the question of causal attribution many published studies are correlational in nature because of the inherent difficulty of conducting longitudinal experiments based on a major lifestyle decision such as the decision to commit to a mental practice over a period of years we also feature clinical and case studies integrative syntheses and significant opinion articles

<u>Connections</u> 2017-05-15

the professional practice as well as the academic discipline of planning has been fundamentally re invented all over the world in recent decades in this astonishing

transition the thinking and scholarship of patsy healey appears as a constantly recurring influence and inspiration around the globe the purpose of this book is to present discuss and celebrate healey s seminal contributions to the development of the theory and practice of spatial planning the volume contains a selection of 13 less readily available but nevertheless key texts by healey which have been selected to represent the trajectory of patsy s work across the several decades of her research career 12 original chapters by a wide range of invited contributors take the ideas in the reprinted papers as points of departure for their own work tracing out their continuing relevance for contemporary and future directions in planning scholarship in doing so these chapters tease out the themes and interests in healey s work which are still highly relevant to the planning project the title connections symbolises relationality possibly the most outstanding element linking patsy s ideas the book showcases the wide international influence of patsy s work and celebrates the whole trajectory of work to show how many of her ideas on for instance the role of theory in planning processes of change networking as a mode of governance how ideas spread and ways of thinking planning democratically were ahead of their time and are still of importance

Tourism and Development in Sub-Saharan Africa 2015-09-16

over the past 20 years the perception of tourism as an effective contributor to socio economic development in the developing world has propagated with many viewing tourism as a provider for poverty alleviation and towards other un millennium development goals over the same period readers have become familiar with the paradoxes complexities and inequalities of tourism in relation to development wealth creation growth redistribution governance and hosts guests relationships this volume further extends this critical debate with a much needed cohesive publication on sub sahara africa ssa in an era of fluctuating tourist arrivals at global level the growth of tourism in ssa requires deeper consideration in terms of its inconsistent and questionable implications at local level taking as a central theme the debate on whether tourism should be used in development efforts this book examines the way in which tourism has controversially become the way forward to development in several ssa locations and assesses bottlenecks to sustainable development as well as dilemmas and challenges faced by those ssa destinations seeking to achieve development through tourism it offers an explicit set of chapters adopting a multi disciplinary approach drawing upon tourism studies human geography sociology anthropology political economy development and environmental studies and integrates case studies authored by local african practitioners and academics to produce a book that gave voice to local experts on local realities combining an overview of key theories concepts contemporary issues and debates as well as practical insights from a wide range of regions in ssa this book will be a valuable resource for those investigating the role of tourism in development

The City of London and Social Democracy 2017-06-15

the city of london and social democracy examines the relationship between the financial sector and the state in post war britain the key argument made in aled davies s study is that changes to the financial sector during the 1960s and 1970s undermined the state s capacity to sustain and develop a modern industrial economy social democratic economic strategy was constrained by the institutionalization of investment in pension and insurance funds the fragmentation of the nation s oligopolistic domestic banking system the emergence of an unregulated international capital market based in london and the breakdown of the bretton woods international monetary system novel attempts to

reconfigure social democratic economic strategy in response to these changes ultimately proved unsuccessful meanwhile the assumption that national prosperity could only be achieved through industrial growth was challenged by a reconceptualization of britain as a fundamentally financial and commercial nation an idea that was successfully promoted by the city itself these findings assert the need to place the thatcher governments subsequent neoliberal economic revolution which saw the acceleration of deindustrialization and the triumph of the city of london as a pre eminent international financial centre within a broader material institutional and cultural context previously underappreciated by historians

<u>Towards Employment-Intensive Growth in South Africa</u> 2016-07-01

south africa s high rate of unemployment 26 4 makes it a complete outlier compared with other middle income countries indeed the unemployment rate rises to 36 if discouraged workers are taken into account it underpins extreme poverty and inequality and is a major contributor to social dislocation if it were not for increased social payments poverty would have continued to increase since the advent of democracy in 1994 unemployment also represents a huge cost to growth this book focuses on the growth path of the economy the starting point is that while more rapid economic expansion is an important objective at any given level of growth the economy as a whole needs to become more labour absorbing the central question posed is how to bring about changes in the economic structure and pattern of development which would lead to the attainment of this objective the authors argue that employment needs to be much more centrally positioned within the economic and social policy arena they emphasise innovative approaches within a broader focus on the growth path and employment intensive growth and they posit that the negative impact of previous distortions requires much more than a levelling of the playing field via market based reforms apart from presenting an alternative growth path which could start to shift the economy in new directions the book tackles themes which have received only limited attention such as wage subsidies youth unemployment and employment growth in rural areas

<u>Understanding the Social Economy of the United States</u> 2015-01-01

understanding the social economy of the united states is a comprehensive introduction to the operation and study of organizations with social goals rich in examples and case studies that explain the social economy framework in the context of the united states

Cohesion Policy in the European Union 2014-11-20

this new text introduces the history evolution and contemporary state of one of the european union s most important expensive and controversial policies it examines the role that cohesion policy plays in european integration as well as in economic development across regions and analyzes the key debates and issues at stake

Emerging Economies During and After the Great Recession 2016-04-08

the international papers in political economy ippe series explores the latest

developments in political economy this twelfth volume presents a collection of eight papers analysing the emergence and economic problems of the emerging economies during and after the international financial crisis of 2007 8 and the subsequent great recession the contributions range from an analysis of the international financial crisis of 2007 8 in general terms to an analysis of the same but concentrating on the emerging economies before turning to groups of economies arab african and eastern european countries and two relevant but individual countries namely china and turkey this book offers students scholars researchers and policy makers detailed analysis and informed commentary on the origins of the international financial crisis of 2007 8 and the great recession by focusing on its effect on emerging countries

In Memory of Mary Ellen Avery 2014-12-01

mary ellen avery was the driving force behind the discipline of neonatology she fought against convention when she published her ground breaking paper in 1959 showing that hyaline membrane disease was caused by lung surfactant deficiency up until then it was thought to be an due to amniotic fluid aspiration as suggested by hoccheim in 1903 she encouraged her students to think out of the box as long as we were studying something that you couldn t live without in addition to being a great clinician researcher she was a mentor the article is by her former students writing about their personal experiences under the tutelage of mel avery

Money Matters 2014-12-01

the third plenum of the 18 th central committee of the communist party of china in november reinforced the importance of public finance reform drawing on recent technical assistance from the asian development bank adb special reports and the work of adb staff the publication offers observation and suggestion on how to pursue public finance reform the publication also outlines practical actions that can be taken to improve budgeting taxation and the system of fiscal decentralization in the people s republic of china special attention is given to the management of local government debt the most pressing fiscal issue facing the people s republic of china the potential contribution of public private partnerships is also introduced

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Collaborative Knowledge in Scientific Research Networks 2014-10-31

research inherently requires collaborative efforts between individuals databases and institutions however the systems that enable such interpersonal cooperation must be properly suited in facilitating such efforts to avoid impeding productivity collaborative knowledge in scientific research networks addresses the various systems in place for collaborative e research and how these practices serve to enhance the quality of research across disciplines covering new networks available through social media as well as traditional methods such as mailing lists and forums this publication considers various scientific disciplines and their individual needs theorists of collaborative scientific work technology developers researchers and funding agency officials will find this book valuable in exploring and understanding the process of

scientific collaboration

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