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Singapore : CASA (Centre for Advanced Studies in Architecture) for Tun Tan Cheng Lock
Centre for Asian Architectural and Urban Heritage, NUS Department of Architecture, 2010
166p.
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Water Margins : 01 / Limin Hee et al.
Singapore : CASA (Centre for Advanced Studies in Architecture, NUS Department of
Architecture, 2010
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On Urban Waterfront Development in East Asia
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Ong Siew May Distinguished Lecture Series 2008 "Sustain/Ability" / (Ed) Erik G.L 'Heureux
Singapore : Department of Architecture, National University of Singapore, 2010
4v.

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Art

Ramayana in Focus: Visual and Performing Arts of Asia / Gauri Parimoo Krishnan (Edited)
Singapore: Asian Civilisations Museum, 2010

231p. ; 32cm.

Includes index

ISBN-13: 9789810859718

1. Valmiki. Ramayana – Illustrations
2. Valmiki – Adaptations
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4. Arts, Asian

\$ 60.00

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Cities Here and Now: Paintings and Installation Works by Lu Hao / Wu Hung (Curator)
Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2009

84p. ; 30cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810838409

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122289>

Economics/Development Studies

Management of Success: Singapore Revisited / Terence Chong
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2010

xxix. 638p. ; 26cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814279857 (HB)

ISBN-13: 9789814279840 (PB)

1. Singapore
2. Singapore – Economic conditions
3. Singapore – Politics and government
4. Singapore – Social conditions

\$ 59.90 (HB)

\$ 49.90 (PB)

In 1989, the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS) published the milestone volume *Management of Success: The Moulding of Modern Singapore*, edited by Kernial Singh Sandhu and Paul Wheatley, which delved into a wide variety of issues that were integral to the growth of modern Singapore. The world that Singapore faced in 1989 has changed irrevocably. Meanwhile, within Singapore, the city-state has seen two prime ministerial transitions and the installation of third generation leaders who have articulated their vision for the twenty-first century. This new volume serves to update and review public policies from the early 1990s onwards. It gathers prominent thinkers and scholars on Singapore to examine issues of leadership and policy; economic restructuring; societal transformation; foreign relations and national identity. It seeks to outline the impending challenges of the twenty-first century, and to demonstrate a clear trajectory of intellectual analysis of contemporary Singapore for students and scholars alike.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122290>

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Real Estate Investment Trusts / Ong Seow Eng
Singapore : Saw Centre for Quantitative Finance, 2010
Xiii, 81p.
978-981-08-6108-7
Saw Centre Financial Studies No.9.
\$ 18.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122292>

Inclusive, Balanced, Sustained Growth in the Asia Pacific / Peter A. Petri (Edited)
Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies Publications (ISEAS) & Pacific Economic
Cooperation Council Taskforce on the Global Economic Crisis (PECC), 2010
xvi. 133p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789812309662

1. Asia – Economic conditions
2. Asia – Economic policy
3. Pacific Area – Economic conditions
4. Pacific Area – Economic policy

\$ 19.90

The recovery of the Asia-Pacific region from the global economic crisis of 2008-2009 is underway but incomplete. Risks range from slow growth and persistent unemployment to re-emerging international imbalances and financial volatility. While early policy responses to the crisis were successful in avoiding a larger calamity, new policy strategies are now needed to resolve imbalances among the United States, China, and other economies, and to build robust demand in the medium term.

This report, drafted by an international team of experts for the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC), provides a policy framework for completing the recovery and achieving sustained growth beyond it. The report identifies priorities for replacing stimulus programmes with structural reforms, and for launching new growth engines to drive investment and employment throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

Led by Professor Peter Petri (Brandeis University/East-West Center), the team included eminent scholars from China, Japan, the United States and other countries. The report presents a regional strategy as well as separate, detailed analyses of the challenges facing China, Advanced Asia, Southeast Asia, North America, and South America. It concludes that inclusive, balanced, sustained growth in the region is feasible, but will require structural reforms that change economic relationships within economies and among them, and substantial international cooperation in implementing coherent national policies.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=120732>

ASEAN: Life After the Charter / S. Tiwari (Edited)
Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies Publications (ISEAS), 2010
xviii. 166p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814279567 (HB)

1. ASEAN
2. ASEAN. Charter (2005)
3. Southeast Asia – Economic integration
4. Southeast Asia – Economic policy
5. Southeast Asia – Commercial policy

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With the completion of the ASEAN Charter, ASEAN needs to fully appreciate and work out the issues connected with its implementation. It is also important for ASEAN and its business sector to understand and implement the two newly completed key integration

instruments (the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement and the ASEAN Comprehensive Investment Agreement 2009) and the business enhancing initiatives envisaged under them. Both areas of work have taken on added urgency in view of ASEAN's goal of putting in place an ASEAN Economic Community by 2015. This is the first book which examines both the above issues, the problems related to them and possible solutions.

"Mr Tiwari is a legal authority on ASEAN. This book is an important contribution to ASEAN law." - *Professor Tommy Koh, Ambassador-at- Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.*

"The ASEAN Charter, and the economic integration of the ASEAN nations that the Charter will support, are essential to grow the competitiveness of the region. Mr Tiwari provides keen insights into the development of this emerging framework and of the challenges that remain." - *Phillip Overmyer, Chief Executive, Singapore International Chamber of Commerce.*

"I have known Mr Tiwari as a legal authority and a friend for over twenty years. I would like to congratulate him for having chosen to share his knowledge on ASEAN law through this book. Knowledge of the ASEAN Charter and the instruments underpinning ASEAN integration would be of immense benefit to people in the business sector as ASEAN moves towards forming an ASEAN Economic Community by 2015."

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=120746>

Curbing the Global Economic Downturn: Southeast Asian Macroeconomic Policy / Aekapol Chongvilaivan

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2010

xiv. 182p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814279673

1. Fiscal policy – Southeast Asia
2. Southeast Asia – Economic policy
3. Southeast Asia – Economic conditions

\$ 21.90

Southeast Asia witnessed a wide array of policy actions at the regional and international levels to unravel the ripple effects of the global economic downturn and to set a stage for a long-term recovery. Yet the quest for regional and global solutions has been hampered critically by the complication of individual economies and the diverse levels of economic development. The objective of this book is to examine in-depth region-specific research on how macroeconomic tools are at work in the Southeast Asian economies.

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History

The Makers & Keepers of Singapore History / (Ed) Loh Kah Seng, Liew Kai Khiun

Singapore : Ethos Books : Singapore Heritage Society, c2010

363p.; 165 x 245 mm.

Includes Bibliographical references and Index

978-981-08-6357-9 (pbk)

1. Singapore – History – Research
2. Singapore – History – Sources
3. Singapore – History – Archives
4. Singapore – History – Archival Sources

\$ 32.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122166>

Hostage Terror : abducted by the Abu Sayaff / Werner Wallert
Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Editions, c2009
184p

978-981-4276-39-9 (pbk)

1. Wallert, Werner, 1943-, Captivity, 2000
2. Hostages – Philippines – Biography
3. Hostages – Germany – Biography
4. Political Kidnapping – Philippines
5. Terrorism – Philippines
6. Abu Sayyaf (Organization)
7. Philippines – Politics and Government – 1986-

\$ 13.50

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The Story of Harry's / Mohan Mulani
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Business, 2010
163p. ; 20cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814276429
\$ 22.00

August 1992. From out of nowhere, a new burst of energy brightened up the Singapore riverfront and quickly became an enduring icon in the country's bar and music scene. Welcome to Harry's – jazz bar extraordinaire!

Known for its music and a concoction called Bank Breaker (after a particularly notorious customer), respected for its admirable record of community involvement, and loved for its friendly ambience, Harry's is a story that shows the little guy can make it big.

In this book, CEO Mohan Mulani takes us on a journey through the history and growth of the bar – from a single venue to 31 today – recounting the difficulties he encountered through tough times and how he overcame them.

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Law

Biomedical Ethics and Medical Law in Blood Transfusion Practice: Case Scenarios / Catherine Tay & Tien Sim Leng
Singapore: ARMOUR Publishing Pte. Ltd., 2010
xxxviii. 153p. ; 23cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814270939
\$ 16.00

This book uses 20 practical scenarios to tease out and provide a clear understanding of the legal and ethical issues in blood transfusion practice that confront clinicians on a daily basis.

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BIOETHICS IN SINGAPORE : The Ethical Microcosm / (Ed) John M. Elliott, W. Calvin Ho, Sylvia S N Lim
Singapore : World Scientific, 2010
344p.
978-981-4327-10-7 (HB) - \$ 78.00
978-981-4327-11-4 (PB) - \$ 39.00

This book provides an analysis of the ways in which the BAC has established an ethical framework for biomedical research in Singapore, following the launch of the Biomedical Sciences Initiative by the Singapore Government
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<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122297>

Literature

Deep in the Jungle / Liu Jun; Translated by Chia Sze Soon
Singapore : Liu Jun Studio, 2010
Vi, 478p.

9789810858216

Novel on the Japanese Occupation of Malaya

\$ 22.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=120232>

Alfian Sa'at Collected Plays One: The Optic Trilogy Fugitives Homesick

sex.violence.blood.gore / Alfian Sa'at

Singapore: Ethos Books : WILD RICE Ltd., 2010

329p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810860653

\$ 25.00

This collection of four plays by Alfian Sa'at explores the themes that have become a hallmark of the playwright's work: national identity, racial relations, and the resistance of individuals against authoritarian systems. In The Optic Trilogy, the surfacing of buried secrets and repressed memories profoundly alters the way a man and woman see each other. In Fugitives, the members of a family discover that their self-definition relies on their interactions with 'outsiders' who exist beyond their comfort zones. In Homesick, a diasporic Singaporean family, quarantined during the SARS crisis, evaluate the meanings of home. And in sex.violence.blood.gore, the façade of a rigid, orderly society is peeled away to reveal chaotic passions.

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Politics

Public Administration Singapore Style / Jon S. T. Quah

Singapore: Talisman Publishing Pte. Ltd., 2010

xxiii. 311p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810853556

\$ 32.00

Singapore was ranked first for the competence of its public officials from 1999 to 2002 by the Global Competitiveness Report. While research has been done on various aspects of public administration in Singapore, there is to date no comprehensive study of the Singapore Civil Service and the statutory boards and their contribution to the attainment of national development goals. The aim of this book is to rectify this gap in the literature by providing a detailed study of public administration. The book's main conclusion is that the nature and success of public administration in Singapore results from the combined influence of Singapore's context and the various policies introduced by the People's Action Party (PAP) government since it assumed office in June 1959, over 50 years ago.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122299>

International Relations in Southeast Asia: Between Bilateralism and Multilateralism / N. Ganesan & Ramses Amer
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2010
xix. 350p. ; 23cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814279574

1. Southeast Asia – Foreign relations
\$ 34.90

"For observers outside of Southeast Asia, this book opens up a world of conflicts, rivalries, and reconciliations that is terra incognita. It is easy to assume that all is well under the consensual Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) umbrella. These expert authors detail the sometimes stormy and often tense bilateral relationships in the region. In doing so they delineate the profound contribution that ASEAN has made to regional security and cooperation, but at the same time they show the limits of multilateralism as a mode of conflict resolution. Etel Solingen's introductory essay provides an extensive analytical vocabulary for regional politics, and the other authors have fascinating stories to tell about the interrelationships of Southeast Asia's states since 1975."

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=120733>

By Design or Accident: Reflections on Asian Security / Daljit Singh
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2010
xv. 171p. ; 22cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814279710 (HB)

1. National security – Asia
2. Political stability – Asia
3. Asia – Strategic aspects
\$ 26.90

Asia is rising and will wield greater economic and strategic weight in world affairs. However Asia also faces numerous challenges like poverty, domestic instability, deficiencies in governance and the rule of law, inter-state disputes and rivalries, and military build-ups, to name just a few. The celebration of Asia's rise would be premature if it is not accompanied by lasting peace and cooperation between states and justice and prosperity at home. The achievement of this happy state of affairs will require continuation of wise and pragmatic leadership, especially among the major powers. This collection of essays reflects on some of the major political and security issues in the region in recent times, including the balance of power among the major powers, American engagement and policies in Asia, India's rise, the global war on terrorism, the Iraq war, domestic developments in some countries as well as ASEAN's efforts to build regional peace and security.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=120747>

SINGAPORE PERSPECTIVES 2010 : Home.Heart.Horizon / edited by Tarn How Tan
Singapore : World Scientific, 2010
156p.
978-981-4322-41-6
\$ 35.00

The Singapore Perspectives series is a yearly publication that provides critical analysis of emerging trends and issues Singapore faces in terms of social, economic and political development. It is a quick and essential reference for understanding the broad policy discussions that animate thought leaders, policy-makers and the public in the country during the immediate period or that are likely to do so in the short and medium term.

In this volume, contributors look at the short-term challenges that Singapore faces and the policy options open to the nation, and share their insights on Singapore society, politics and economics. Written by an ensemble of authors from a wide spectrum of Singapore society, this volume covers critical issues under the themes such as "One United People", "One Grace Society" and "One Global City".

Co-published by the think-tank, the Institute of Policy Studies, Singapore, this is a useful publication for those with an interest in understanding the governance challenges facing a small, highly globalised economy and nation-state, or those who want a quick feel of the pulse of Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122300>

Religion – Christianity

A Short History of Indigenous Mission in Singapore: With a Special Focus on the Pioneering Role of Dr Tan Kok Beng / John S H Tay

Singapore: Armour Publishing Pte. Ltd., 2010

xvi. 107p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814270946

\$ 10.00

This book captures the beginnings and major developments of indigenous mission in Singapore. Key movers and pioneers of mission organizations and conferences in Singapore and Asia are mentioned, notably Dr Tan Kok Beng, who has demonstrated an unusual passion for evangelism and mission, and who has played a pivotal role in the unfolding of indigenous mission in Singapore. In addition, this book recounts a brief history of the church in Singapore and the link between the Holy Spirit and missions. The author also discusses the relationship between indigenous mission and God's destiny for Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=122301>

Sociology

Asian Culture 32, June 2008

Singapore: Singapore Society of Asian Studies, 2008

ii. 229p. ; 27cm.

\$ 20.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=119778>

The 32nd issue of the journal of the Singapore Society of Asian Studies contains 12 articles of which 6 are in Chinese. Among the subjects explored are: nomenclature among Malay Muslims; Chinese influence in Balinese arts; Peranakan heritage in Singapore; 14th-century Muslim conflict in Quanzhou; Chinese night schools in Singapore 1904-1941; and the Chinese Consulate in Borneo 1913-1950.
