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Art

Singapore Story : Toss Series / Tang Mun Kit (Editor)
Singapore: Tang Mun Kit, 2013
160p. ; 30cm.
ISBN-13: 9789810757687
\$ 140.00 / HB
1180 gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151499>

President's Young Talents
Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2013
241p. ; 25cm.
ISBN-13: 9789810756574
\$ 40.00 / HB
748 gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151501>

Reflect / Refract : Essays on Photography in Singapore/ Charmaine Toh and
Cyril Wong (Editors)
Singapore: Objectifs, 2013
109p. ; 21cm.
ISBN-13: 9789810757304
\$ 20.00 / PB
226 gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151502>

We Love Bedok : Urban Sketchers Singapore / Jocelyn Lau and Dan Koh (Editors)

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2013

96p. ; 18cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810754327

1. Bedok (Singapore) – In art

2. Singapore – In art

\$ 12.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151503>

Cinema Studies

Behind The Camera : Personal Recollections of Contemporary Singapore Cinema / Wahyuni A. Hadi (Editor)

Singapore: Objectifs, 2013

163p. ; 25cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810755911

\$ 25.00 / PB

584 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151504>

Economics

Competitiveness Analysis and Development Strategies for 33 Indonesian Provinces / Tan Khee Giap, Mulya Amri, Linda Low & Tan Kong Yam

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013

xxi. 803p. ; 30cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814504850

1. Indonesian provinces – Economic policy – 21st century

2. Indonesia – Economic conditions – Regional disparities

3. Economic development – Indonesia – Provinces

4. Competition – Indonesia – Provinces

\$ 140.00 / HB

1910 gm.

Indonesia is on the cusp of transformative take-off, poised to become a major economic power not just in Asia, but also on the global-stage. This book is a pioneering attempt in comprehensively assessing all attributes, conditions and policies for 33 Indonesian provinces and Indonesia's trajectory as an emerging middle power. It contains papers and data-sets presented in July 2012, at ACI's signature Annual Conference. The information that was shared at the conference and presented in the book

posit a future where tens of millions of Indonesians will be lifted out of poverty to become a self-sustaining middle-class, which will in turn drive the country into a global leadership role in the 21st century. It is a compelling value-added proposition for policy simulations enabling policy-makers to identify relative weaknesses, strengths, threats and opportunities of individual 33 provinces, guiding them to prioritise areas in crafting policies and development strategies.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151505>

Asian Economic Systems / Steven Rosefielde
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013
xviii. 276p. ; 24cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814425384
\$ 68.00 / HB
552 gm.

The book focuses on East and Southeast Asia. The term Asia is used as a shorthand for the cultural region dominated historically by Confucian kinship networks, Japanese communalism and Theravada Buddhism, and more recently by Marxist–Leninist communism. It excludes the Middle East, Central Asia, the Himalayan states, South Asia, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Russia and America's Asia Pacific possessions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151506>

Income Distribution and Economic Growth of Japan Under the Deflationary Economy : Theory and Evidence Based on a Econometric Analysis / Osamu Nakamura
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013
xvii. 251p. ; 24cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814436151
\$ 64.00 / HB
514 gm.

The Japanese economy has experienced a structural deflationary gap since the mid-1970s. Although the gap was decreasing in the bubble period, the deflationary economy has become more serious since the bursting of the bubble. Accordingly, this book attempts to examine the causes of the Japanese deflationary economy, characterized as a structural deflation and discusses how to alleviate the prolonged slowdown in order to restore Japan to a trajectory of high economic growth, with a special focus on the function of income distribution. In addition, not only income distribution flows but also accumulation of assets and debts in the household sector are taken into account for improving the prolonged economic stagnation of Japan by employing an econometric analysis with modeling and forecasting

techniques. Furthermore, this book makes a long-term forecast of the Japanese economy, up to the fiscal year 2030, with policy scenario simulations in order to capture the long-term growth path of the Japanese economy and to analyze the effects of alternative policies on the economy.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151507>

Regulation of Foreign Investment : Challenges to International Harmonization / Zdenek Drabek & Petros C. Mavroidis (Editors)
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013
xviii. 491p. ; 24cm.
Includes bibliographical references and index
ISBN-13: 9789814390835

1. Investments, Foreign – Law and legislation
World Scientific Studies in International Economics Vol. 21
\$ 160.00/ HB
854 gm.

The main aim of this book is to assess the importance of international rules for foreign direct investment and the major challenges to international harmonization of those rules. Particular attention is paid to the most controversial and contentious issues with the view of appraising the prospects for establishing global rules. The book is divided into three parts; the first part includes papers assessing the role of national and international legislation with further distinction being made between bilateral, regional and multilateral legal frameworks. The second part addresses regulatory issues of technology transfer, labor, environment, subsidies and investment incentives, national security, public services and sovereign wealth funds. The final part looks at the experience of some international fora in addressing these issues and at some theoretical and conceptual problems of rule harmonization. The papers have been written by legal and economic scholars from leading universities.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151508>

Food Safety Management in China : A Perspective from Food Quality Control System / Jiehong Zhou & Shaosheng Jin
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd. &
China: Zhejiang University Press, 2013
xi. 228p. ; 24cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814447751
\$ 90.00 / HB
500 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151509>

Priorities and Pathways in Services Reform Part 1 – Quantitative Studies /
Philippa Dee (Editor)

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013

xxii. 372p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814447720

World Scientific Studies in International Economics Vol. 23

\$ 110.00 / HB

708 gm.

This book presents a state-of-the-art evaluation of the benefits and costs of behind-the-border services reform. It introduces new, second-generation methods for quantifying regulatory barriers and applies those methods to a wide range of services sectors — financial, infrastructure and social — in a broad spectrum of countries. It uses advanced modeling techniques to project the sectoral, economy-wide and regional effects of services reforms, as well as highlight their adjustment costs. The empirical results offer fresh guidance to policy-makers, who need better information bases with which to prioritize services reforms and devise pathways to achieving them. The empirical methods provide invaluable tools to academics, researchers and policy advisors, who can use them to further improve those information bases. *Priorities and Pathways in Services Reform: Part I — Quantitative Studies* presents new methodological frameworks for assessing and prioritizing services reforms, and provides an up-to-date evaluation of the policy impacts across a range of services markets and countries. *Part II — Political Economy* furthers the conversation by analyzing what it takes for a reform to succeed.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151510>

Prevention and Crisis Management : Lessons for Asia from the 2008 Crisis /
Steven Rosefielde, Masaaki Kuboniwa & Satoshi Mizobata (Editors)

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013

xxiii. 280p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814374132

\$ 120.00 / HB

564 gm.

Four years have passed since the onset of the 2008 global crisis, and although some believe that there may be a second down draft soon, attention has shifted from crisis narration to assessing lessons essential for preventing or managing recurrences. The exercise is worthy, but there is always the danger of preparing for the last war when the next attack takes another form. *Prevention and Crisis Management* addresses this problem by highlighting the future threat to Asia from a broader perspective that takes account of the Japanese and Asian financial crises during the 1990s as well

as the global crisis of 2008. The enlarged framework turns out to be illuminating for two distinct reasons. First, it reveals that Asian crises take many diverse forms, and second, the solutions devised to date have only been locally and not universally effective. Policymakers are accordingly advised to always plan for the element of surprise.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151511>

Resilient States From a Comparative Regional Perspective : Central and Eastern Europe and Southeast Asia / Francois BAFOIL

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013

xxviii. 312p. ; 24cm.

Includes bibliographical references and index

ISBN-13: 9789814417464

1. Europe, Central – Economic policy – 1989-
2. Europe, Eastern – Economic policy – 1989-
3. Southeast Asia – Economic policy
4. Europe, Eastern – Politics and government – 1989-
5. Europe, Central – Politics and government – 1989-
6. Southeast Asia – Politics and government

Advanced Research on Asian Economy and Economies of Other Continents
Vol. 8

\$ 120.00 / HB

612 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151512>

2011 China's Trade Performance Report : World Economy Restructuring and China's Trade / Shanghai WTO Affairs Consultation Center

New York, USA: SCPG Publishing Corporation, 2011

vii. 223p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9781938368028

\$ 85.00 / HB

510 gm.

This book is the latest publication from the Shanghai WTO Affairs Consultation Center and the first report on China's trade performance. It analyses China's foreign trade environment, the foreign trade index and the quarterly index, illuminating the reasons behind fluctuating foreign trade. The book provides advice for entrepreneurs working in fast-changing environments, and is an excellent guide to policymakers involved in China's foreign trade

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151513>

ASEAN Economic Community Scorecard: Performance and Perception /
Sanchita Basu Das
Singapore : Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2013
244p.
9789814414302
\$ 29.90 / PB

During the 13th ASEAN Summit in November 2007, ASEAN Leaders endorsed the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) Blueprint, which laid the foundation of creating a “single market and production base” among the ten Southeast Asian economies. Soon after that, ASEAN faced great uncertainties in the light of the 2008 global financial crisis and continues to remain cautious in the face of the ongoing global economic weakness. Despite this, the region is forging ahead with its commitment to carry out economic liberalization and cooperation as stipulated in the AEC Blueprint. The official AEC scorecard, published in March 2012, stated that ASEAN had achieved 68.2 per cent of its targets for the 2008–11 period._

The official AEC scorecard is expected to track the implementation of measures and the achievement of milestones committed in the AEC Strategic Schedule. However, the scorecard, in its current form, is too brief and general to be useful for the ASEAN citizens. This book attempts to fill this gap and evaluates the current status of and the progress towards the milestones of the AEC Blueprint. The overall message of the book is that even though ASEAN may miss some of its integration goals by 31 December 2015, it will certainly deliver some of the key initiatives — tariff elimination, establishing the ASEAN Single Window, laying the foundation of the regional investment initiative, advancing tourism services, moving ahead with ASEAN connectivity and the realization of ASEAN +1 free trade agreements. AEC’s goal of forming an equitable and competitive regional economy will continue to be a work in progress. AEC 2015 is going to be a historic milestone that will raise ASEAN’s profile and will help the region to maintain its centrality in the international community.

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Education

Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy : Building a Global Policy School in Asia
/ Kishore Mahbubani ... [et al]

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013

xxi. 183p. ; 24cm.

Includes bibliographical references

ISBN-13: 9789814417211

\$ 15.00 / HB

508 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=150112>

Education in Indonesia / Daniel Suryadarma, Gavin W Jones (Eds)

Singapore : Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2013

280p.

9789814515047 (HB) - \$ 45.00

9789814459860 (PB) - \$ 24.00

In Indonesia, as elsewhere in Asia, education will inevitably play a key role in the national development experience as the twenty-first century unfolds. Not much international attention is paid to how the education sector is faring in Indonesia, but that is not because nothing is happening. The past decade has seen major changes in the structure of the education system and in the schooling trajectories of Indonesian children and adolescents. The administration of primary and secondary education has been decentralized to the regions. A new paradigm of school-based management has been introduced. Public spending on education has finally reached one-fifth of total government spending, as required by law. But although enrolment rates at all levels continue to increase, the quality of education remains low and has not improved, and the tertiary sector continues to experience problems of autonomy and unsatisfactory performance.

This book delves into the major developments in education in Indonesia. Drawing on the expertise of some of the most knowledgeable people in the field, it identifies the challenges facing the sector and offers recommendations on how these challenges could be overcome.

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Environment

Living in a Garden: The Greening of Singapore / Timothy Auger
Singapore: Editions Didier Millet, 2013
ISBN: 9789814385244
\$ 24.00 / PB

In June 1963, Singapore's prime minister planted a tree to mark the beginning of a sustained campaign to enhance the city state's appearance. No one could have anticipated the transformation that followed. This is the story of that process. Now, 50 years later, highly urbanized Singapore enjoys a green network of nature reserves, large and small parks, tree-lined streets and community gardens that is the envy of other big cities.

Singapore has had to make tough decisions. Land is scarce. There are trade-offs between maintaining the island's rich, natural biodiversity and public demands for housing and infrastructure appropriate to the 21st century. Nevertheless, the National Parks Board, and its partners in the public, private and civic sectors, continue to strive to keep Singapore green.

Lavishly illustrated, the book shows how Singapore aims to be a 'City in a Garden', reminding us that the community must engage with the greening 'mission', if this great achievement is to continue

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History

Lee Kuan Yew : The Critical Years (1971 – 1978) / Alex Josey
Facsimile Edition
Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2013
vii. 582p. ; 22cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814408118

1. Prime ministers – Singapore – Biography
2. Singapore – Politics and government – 1945-1963

\$ 29.00 / PB
710 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151518>

Contesting Space in Colonial Singapore : Power Relations and the Urban Built Environment / Brenda S.A. Yeoh

Reprint

Singapore: NUS Press, 2013

Xxv. 351p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789971692681

\$ 35.00 / PB

580 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151519>

A Nyonya Mosaic : memoirs of a peranakan childhood / William Gwee Thian Hock

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2013

214p.

9789814408400

1. Seow, Leong Neo, 1912- - Childhood and youth
2. Gwee, Thian Hock – Family
3. Peranakan (Asian People) – Social Life and Customs
4. Peranakan (Asian People) – Singapore – Biography – Singapore

\$ 22.00 / PB

400gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=150830>

Golden Dragon and Purple Phoenix : The Chinese and Their Multi-Ethnic Descendants in Southeast Asia / Lee Khoon Choy

Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2013

xvii. 584p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814383431

\$ 78.00 / HB

984 gm.

Many books have been written about the Chinese in Southeast Asia, but very few, if any, are written specifically about the multi-ethnic descendants of Chinese immigrants. Golden Dragon and Purple Phoenix is not about the diaspora per se of Chinese in Southeast Asia but about the impact of intermarriage between Chinese immigrants and the natives, that is, the intermingling of blood and the offsprings from such unions — the influence they wielded on the society and environment they chose to live in. It is also about how they rose to high positions and their contributions to their societies. Some rose to become kings or king makers, others to become presidents, prime ministers, senior ministers, prominent businessmen, or religious leaders. Some openly declared their ancestry and are proud of their Chinese DNA, while others have forgotten their heritage and in their fervour

to prove their allegiance to their country of birth, dissociate themselves, assertively through violence, indirectly through economic sanctions and various other means. In short, the multi-ethnic Chinese descendants form a unique community with unique cultural genes of its own, and these fresh and rarely-known stories about them in Golden Dragon and Purple Phoenix will be a good resource for historical researchers as well as fascinating reading materials for readers in general.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151520>

Singapore Street Names: A Study of Toponymics / Victor R. Savage & Brenda S.A. Yeoh

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish, 2013

ISBN: 9789814408356

\$ 32.00 / PB

Place names tell us much about a country – its history, its landscape, its people, its aspirations, its self-image. The study of place names, unlocks the myriad interlocking stories that are encoded in every street and landmark. In Singapore, the coexistence of various races, cultures and languages, as well as its history of colonisation, immigration and nationalism, have given rise to a complex tapestry of place names. Alkaff Quay, Coleman Bridge, Ann Siang Hill, Bukit Merah – how did these places get their names? Nee Soon or Yishun? Serangoon Road or Tekka? First published in 2003 as Toponymics, this updated and expanded edition of the book incorporates a wealth of new findings, from archival research and interviews, and sets out to answer these questions – and any question that might be asked about the origin, meaning or significance of place names in Singapore.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151521>

Literature

Triple Nine Sleuths : Dangerous Despair / Maranna Chan

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2013

118p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810754549

1. Murder – Fiction
2. Murder – Investigation – Fiction

\$ 9.90 / PB

150 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=151522>

Politics

Countering Extremism : Building Social Resilience through Community Engagement / Rohan Gunaratna, Jolene Jerard and Salim Mohamed Nasir
London: Imperial College Press, 2013

xviii. 209p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9781908977526

Imperial College Press Insurgency and Terrorism Series Vol. 1

\$ 58.00 / HB

514 gm.

This unique work is the first to address the subject of community engagement strategies in countering extremism, and explores the development and research of these strategies. In so doing it demystifies the process of community engagement, while simultaneously extolling the virtues of the ground breaking strategies to have been effectively employed in Asia, the Middle East, and the West.

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