stories offer a vivid account of the socio-economic-political, and cultural dynamics in various parts of Asia and emphasize that fashion is neither a Western prerogative nor its roots reside solely in the West.

Historical Dictionary of Malaysia-Ooi Kew Gin 2017-12-18 Malaysia is one of the most intriguing countries in Asia in many respects. It consists of several distinct areas, not only geographically but ethically as well, along with influences from different ethnic and cultural groups. In this way, Malaysia illustrates how local as well as national languages obviously vary at home, although Bahasa Malaysia is the official language and nearly everyone speaks it. Based on this premise, the book outlines the turbulent modern history of Malaysia and its relationships with Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand, and the two superpowers, the United States and China. This dictionary provides a chronology, an introduction, appendices, and an extensive bibliography. The dictionary section has over 500 cross-referenced entries on important personalities, politics, economy, foreign relations, religion, and culture. This book is an excellent resource for students, researchers, and anyone wanting to know more about Malaysia.

Adat and Indigeneity in Indonesia-Hauke Schelkun, Brigitte 2013-11-11 A number of UN conventions and declarations (on the rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions and the World Intellectual Property Organization's Declaration) can be understood as a set of instruments of international governance to promote democracy and social justice worldwide. In Indonesia (as in many other countries), these international agreements have encouraged the self-assertion of communities that had been oppressed and deprived of their land, especially during the New Order regime (1966-1998). More than 2,000 communities in Indonesia who define themselves as 'traditional' are currently organizing. This book provides an interpretative ethnography of the evolution of Adat in Indonesia, showing the sociocultural, historical, and political dimensions of this phenomenon. Based on particular characteristics of their adat, the asset of their culture, they try to distinguish themselves from others in order to promote their adat. An innovative and valuable analysis, this book is a powerful perspective on adat and property (land and other natural resources) from the state. The authors of this volume investigate how different structured communities - socially, politically and religiously - and associations repossession themselves via adat, especially the state, not only by drawing on adat for achieving particular goals, but also simply and a better future.

Multilateral Asian Security Architecture-Sung Tae 2015-07-06 This book provides a comparative assessment of the material and informational contributions of five countries to the regional architecture of post-Cold War Asia. In contrast to the usual emphasis placed on the role and centrality of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) in Asia's multilateral architecture and its component institutions, this book argues that the five non-ASEAN countries of interest here are Australia, Japan, China, the United States and Indonesia have been influential in the formation, and in the adaptation, of a new security architecture of the region. This book begins from its pre-inception to the present. The work does not contend that existing scholarly overstates ASEAN's significance to the successes and failures of Asia's multilateral enterprise. Rather, it claims that the impact of non-ASEAN powers in Asia's changing security architecture has been understated. Whether this assessment is right or wrong, it is not the case that the literature fails to address the significance of both the contextual and the contingent factors. The book highlights a number of ways in which China's "going global" policy interacts with other factors in significantly shaping new patterns of incentives and constraints in the region. The book explores how the evolving security architecture of Asia's multilateralism will influence the future of Asian multilateralism. This book will be of much interest to students of Asian politics, international organizations, security studies and IR more generally.

Media and Communication in the Chinese Diaspora-Wanning Sun 2015-04-16 The rise of China has brought about a dramatic increase in the rate of migration from mainland China. At the same time, the Chinese government has embarked on a full-scale push for the Chinese diaspora and cultural industries to be part of their national identity strategy. The book argues that media and communication have therefore become crucial factors in shaping the increasingly fraught politics of transnational Chinese communities. This book explores how the changing nature of communication in a range of diaspora contexts has been shaped by China's own national discourse. It shows how the rise of the Chinese diaspora has increased the demand for Chinese language media and shows how this is producing a rich and vibrant new media geography of diaspora contexts. The book also demonstrates how diasporic media and communication have become a balancing act between the need to satisfy the expectations of their Chinese diaspora communities and the desire to maintain their own distinctive cultural identities and practices.

Lifestyle Media in Asia-Frank Martins 2015-07-06 Access Asia, consumer culture is increasingly shaping everyday life in Asia. This book zooms in on the complex and dynamic roles that media and communication play in shaping cultural and social change in Asia. Lifestyle media is accessible to a broad range of media and communication have therefore become crucial factors in shaping the increasingly fraught politics of transnational Chinese communities. This book explores how the changing nature of communication in a range of diaspora contexts has been shaped by China's own national discourse. It shows how the rise of the Chinese diaspora has increased the demand for Chinese language media and shows how this is producing a rich and vibrant new media geography of diaspora contexts. The book also demonstrates how diasporic media and communication have become a balancing act between the need to satisfy the expectations of their Chinese diaspora communities and the desire to maintain their own distinctive cultural identities and practices.

Television Histories in Asia-Jima Taya 2015-07-04 This book presents an analysis of television histories across India, China, Taiwan, Singapore, Indonesia, Japan, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Malaysia and Bhutan. It offers a set of standard data on the history of television's cultural, industrial and political structures in each specific country. It allows for a more informed analysis of the impact of the global and regional economic, social and cultural transformations. The book explores how the evolving security architecture of Asia's multilateralism will influence the future of Asian multilateralism. This book will be of much interest to students of Asian politics, international organizations, security studies and IR more generally.
The Routledge Companion to Intangible Cultural Heritage - Michelle L. Stefano 2016-12-08 This collection provides an in-depth and up-to-date examination of the concept of Intangible Cultural Heritage and the issues surrounding its value to society. Critically engaging with the UNESCO 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage, the book also discusses local-level conceptualizations of living cultural traditions, practices and expressions, and reflects on the efforts that seek to safeguard them. Exploring a global range of case studies, the book considers the diverse perspectives currently involved with intangible cultural heritage and presents a rich picture of the geographic, socioeconomic and political contexts impacting research in this area. With contributions from established and emerging scholars, public servants, professionals, students and community members, this volume is also deeply enhanced by an interdisciplinary approach which draws on the theories and practices of heritage and museum studies, anthropology, folklore studies, ethnomusicology, and the study of cultural policy and related law. The Routledge Companion to Intangible Cultural Heritage undoubtedly broadens the international heritage discourse and is an invaluable learning tool for instructors, students and practitioners in the field.

Values in Heritage Management - Erica Avrami 2019-12-03 Bringing together leading conservation scholars and professionals from around the world, this volume offers a timely look at values-based approaches to heritage management. Over the last fifty years, conservation professionals have confronted increasingly complex political, economic, and cultural dynamics. This volume, with contributions by leading international practitioners and scholars, reviews how values-based methods have come to influence conservation, takes stock of emerging approaches to values in heritage practice and policy, identifies common challenges and related spheres of knowledge, and proposes specific areas in which the development of new approaches and future research may help advance the field.

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