

## IBP 2021 German Language Winner

**AUTHOR Daniel Leese** 

TITLE Maos langer Schatten. Chinas Umgang mit der Vergangenheit / Mao's long shadow. China's handling of the past PUBLISHER C.H. Beck, 2020.

eticulously researched and elegantly written, rich in detail and daring in its conclusions about none less than timeless questions of dealing with historical guilt, this book takes a pivotal moment in the history of the Chinese Communist Party as its point of departure: the crucial decade after Mao's death in 1976, which saw significant changes in China's economy and society. First and foremost, as the book argues, this was a period of transitional justice. While the "mistakes" of late Maoism (e.g. the Cultural Revolution) were attributed to a small group of people, the "Gang of Four", the Party attempted, at the same time, to do justice to the many who had been implicated in factional fighting and whose "crimes" needed to be rehabilitated. Based on a digital archive at <a href="https://maoistlegacy.de">https://maoistlegacy.de</a>, the book enhances our awareness of the importance of the Maoist past for the Chinese present.

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Marcel Berni
Außer Gefecht

**AUTHOR** Marcel Berni

TITLE Außer Gefecht: Leben, Leiden und Sterben »kommunistischer« Gefangener in Vietnams amerikanischem Krieg Incapacitated: The Life, Suffering and Death of 'Communist' Prisoners in Vietnam's American War PUBLISHER Hamburger Edition, 2020.

Based on a wide range of newly discovered historical sources, this fascinating book provides an in-depth account of the atrocities at the hands of US and South Vietnamese soldiers during the Vietnam war. In an extraordinarily vivid account, Marcel Berni relentlessly reveals the 'communist' prisoners' experience of violence, and describes the life in prison, harassment and torture. This book stands out not only for its detailed and dense descriptions, but also for its thorough analysis of the ways in which violence and the enactment of power and control intersect. It also provides insights into how acts of violence are justified and normalised, how they unfold along the hierarchies within the military and how challenging not only the prosecution but also the reappraisal of these traumatising experiences continues to be.



**AUTHOR Markus Rüsch** 

TITLE Argumente des Heiligen. Rhetorische Mittel und narrative Strukturen in Hagiographien am Beispiel des japanischen Mönchs Shinran / Arguments about the Holy: Rhetoric Means and Narrative Structures in Hagiographies, Using the Example of the Japanese Monk Shinran PUBLISHER ludicium Verlag, 2019.

Rüsch develops a methodology for analysing hagiographies that encompasses rhetorical strategies, paratexts, and narratological aspects. He also situates 'the holy' as an object of investigation in a way that is not theological but takes the inner religious logic of this concept seriously. Rüsch's in-depth analysis of hagiographies from the fifteenth to the twentieth century focuses on the interplay of (literary) narrative and (religious) doctrine, an approach that promises to be fruitful for other regions and epochs.

**AUTHOR** Lianming Wang

TITLE Jesuitenerbe in Peking: Sakralbauten und transkulturelle Räume 1600-1800 Jesuit Heritage in Beijing: Sacred Buildings and Transcultural Spaces, 1600-1800 PUBLISHER Universitätsverlag Winter, 2020.

This is a very complex and highly interesting enquiry into the material heritage of the Jesuit mission in Peking between 1600 and 1800. The book combines themes of architectural history with urban studies that are examined from a transcultural and global perspective. Wang Lianming discusses architectural styles, religious transnationalism, and religious patronage drawing upon insights from different parts of the world, displaying their connectivities, frontiers and transformations over time. Material representations are also analysed against the backdrop of identity and representational politics. The book provides fascinating insights into the relations between religious and political structures, also delving into the dynamics of public communication. It is clearly written and the written narrative gains from the many photographs and illustrations.

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**AUTHOR** Tobias Weiß

TITLE Auf der Jagd nach der Sonne. Das Journalistisches Feld und die Atomkraft in Japan Chasing the Sun: The journalistic Field and the Nuclear Power in Japan PUBLISHER Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG, 2019.

After the Fukushima accident of 2011, numerous studies devoted to the examination of the anti-nuclear movement in Japan appeared. Yet, the much more interesting question is how the pro-nuclear lobby managed to keep the image of nuclear power positive well into the 21st century, even though it had long since turned negative in many other countries. In his book, Weiß dissects the micro-politics within three large Japanese media companies by combining in-depth interviews with a content analysis of a large body of newspaper articles and historical materials. In the course of doing so, the extraordinary means the Japanese nuclear industry resorted to in order to control public discourse on nuclear power become visible, but at the same time Weiß also shows the significant degree of autonomy some newspapers managed to retain both before and after the Fukushima accident.



## **IBP 2021 Russian Language Winner**

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ТІТLЕ Правовая система Китая Legal system of China

РОВІЗНЕЯ Институт Дальнего Востока Российской

Академии Наук, 2018

his is the first comprehensive book in Russian dedicated to the modern Chinese legal system. The book represents an in-depth study of the legal system of modern China through an analysis of the legislation, ancient (traditional) law, classical and contemporary legal culture as well as a legal consciousness. The research contains a detailed description of the main stages of the development of the legal system from the establishing of the People's Republic of China in 1949 to the present time. The chapters of the book examine the influence of tradition on the legal system, the relationship between law and politics, law and ideology in Chinese society as well as the "socialist legal system with Chinese characteristics".

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AUTHORS Ли Син, Дмитрий Савкин, Елена Завьялова, Ван Чэньсин [Li Xing, Dmitry Savkin, Elena Zavyalova, Wang Chenxing], TITLE Китай и Россия: Новое евразийское экономическое партнерство? China and Russia: New Eurasian Economic Partnership? PUBLISHER Издательство "Нестор-История", 2018.

The book's main content is devoted to the new foreign policy philosophy of China and the integration potential of the Silk Road Economic Belt for Central Asia. The book discusses the objective prerequisites of integration processes, as well as the Eurasian future of Russia in the light of the alternation of integration and disintegration cycles and the Eurasian Economic Union in Chinese political science. The second part of the book focuses on China and Russia as two forces in the system of Eurasian regional governance, as well as on strategic interaction and challenges to Sino-Russian relations. The most important issue is the forms and prospects of interaction between Russia and China in different formats.

AUTHORS Григорий Лошкин, Евгений Кобелев, Владимир Мазырин [Grigoriy Lokshin, Evgeniy Kobelev, Vladimir Mazyrin] TITLE Сообщество АСЕАН в современном мире / The ASEAN Community in the Modern World PUBLISHER "ИНФРА-М" ИД "ФОРУМ", 2019

The presented monograph is one of the first successful attempts in Russia of comprehensive analysis of the processes South Asia. The relevance of the study is due to the increasing role of ASEAN in the world economy and politics, increasing rivalry between the United States, China, Japan, and India for influence in the region and the exploitation of its resources. The monograph examines the results of half a century of activity of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the first steps of the triune ASEAN Community, proclaimed in 2015, consisting of a political security community, economic and socio-cultural

AUTHOR Mrep Саакян [Mher Sahakyan]

TITLE Инициатива Китая «Один Пояс, Один Путь» и Армения

China's "One Belt, One Road" Initiative And Armenia

PUBLISHER Фонд «Совет политических и стратегических исследований

"Китай-Евразия"», 2019.

The book analyzes the impact of the Belt and Road Initiative on the global political and economic situation and also evaluates this initiative from the point of view of China's national security. The aim of the research is to draw up a strategic "road map" through which Armenia can be involved in the Chinese political and economic project, promoting political, military-technical, financial, and economic cooperation between China and Armenia. The book also discusses the possibility of using the Armenian community of China as a factor of Armenian "soft power" within the framework of the "Belt and Road" initiative.



АUTHORS Николай Гусаков, Инна Андронова, Ирина Белова, Виктор Пинчук, Эвелина Богачева, Екатерина Колотырина, Марина Решетникова, Филипп Белов [Nikolay Gusakov, Inna Andronova, Irina Belova, Victor Pinchuk, Evelina Bogacheva, Ekaterina Kolotyrina, Marina Reshetnikova, Philipp Belov] ТІТLЕ Страновые особенности формирования национальных инновационных систем (НИС) в условиях нарастания неопределенности мировой экономики Country features of the formation of national innovation systems (NIS) in the context of growing uncertainty in the world economy PUBLISHER Издательство "Экон-Информ", 2019.

The book examines the theoretical foundations of the formation and functioning of national innovation systems (NIS) in Asia; peculiarities of NIS development in the context of growing uncertainty of the world economy; successful experience in the formation of NIS in foreign countries (Kazakhstan, China, South Africa), in which the period for the formation of their own innovative potential was comparatively shorter than the experience of the leading Western powers.