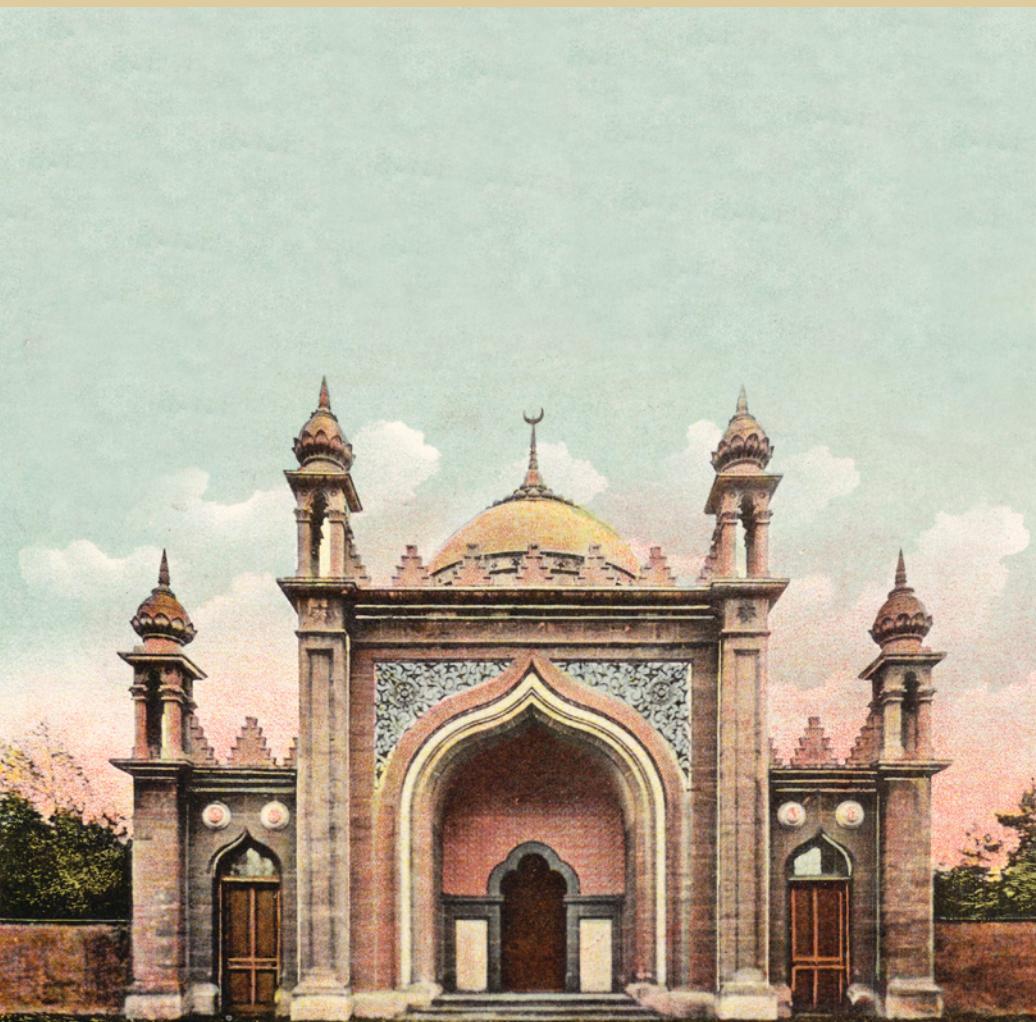


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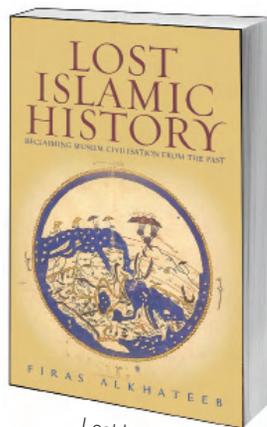
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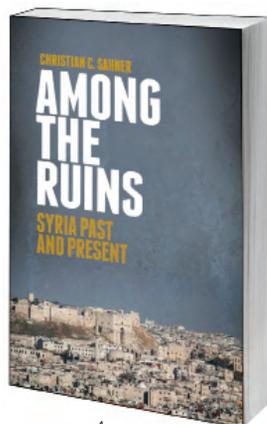
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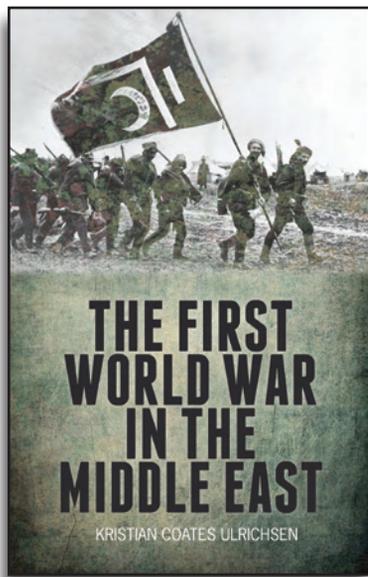
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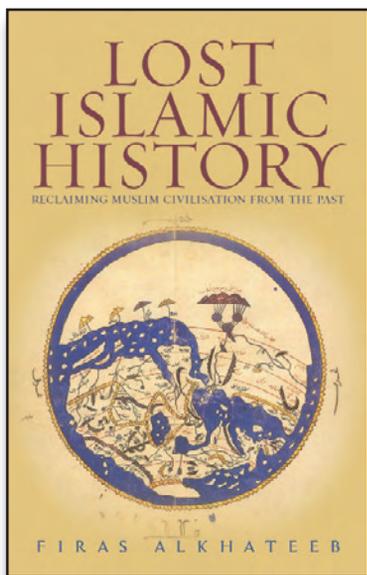
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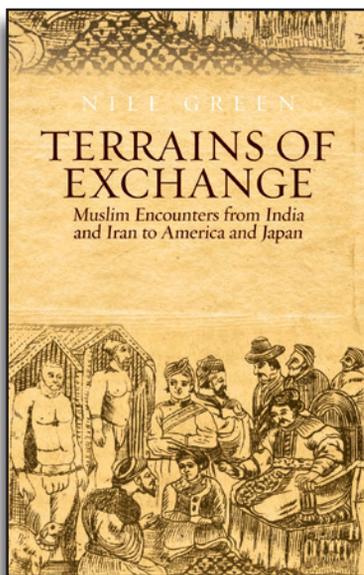
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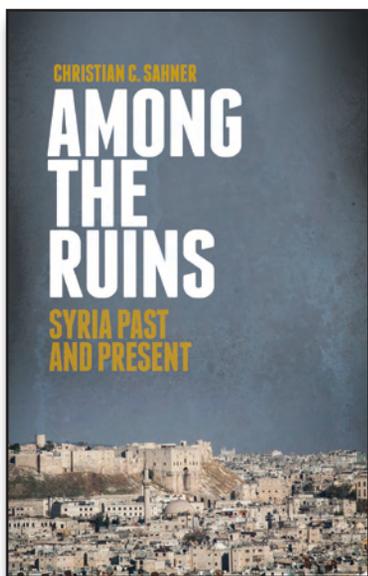
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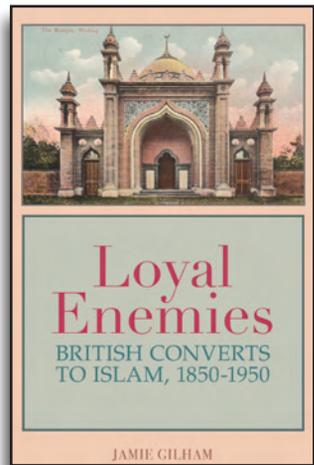
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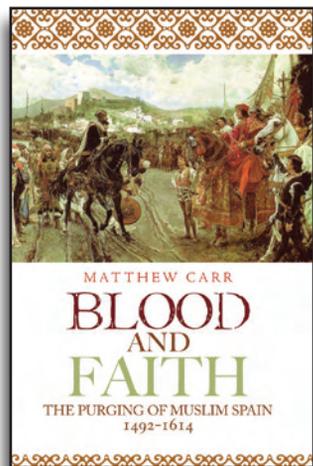
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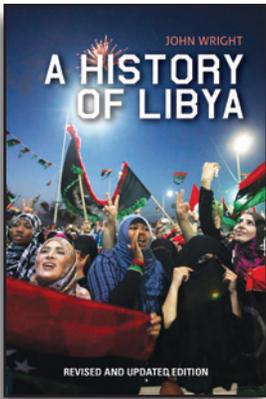
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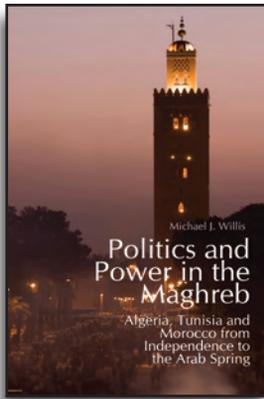
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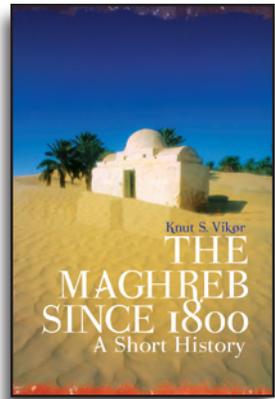
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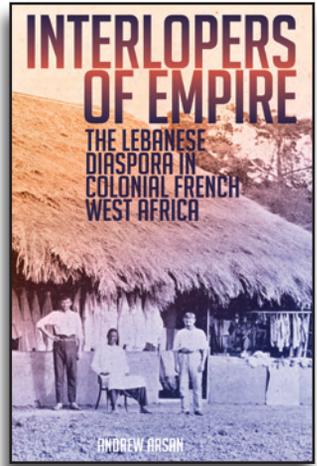
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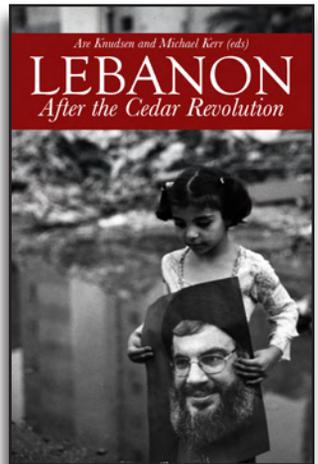
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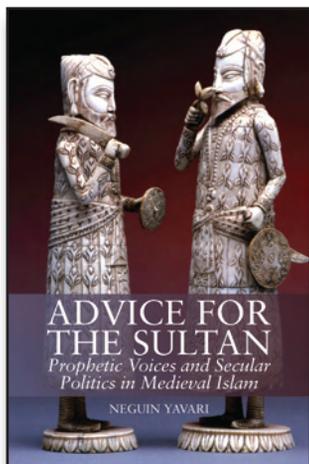
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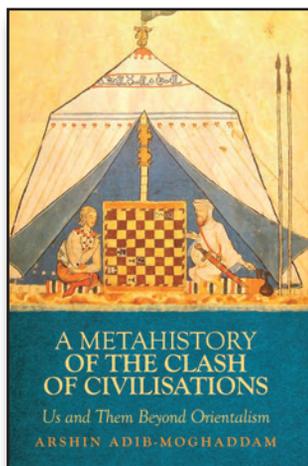
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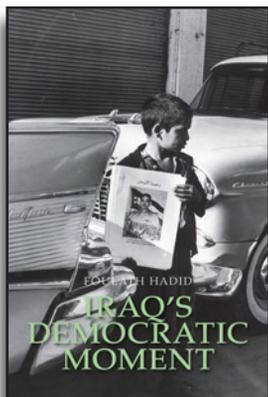
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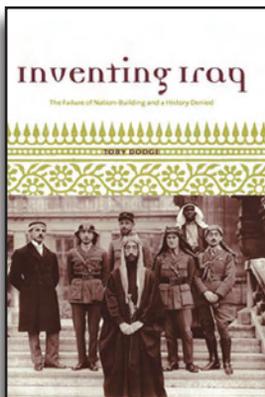
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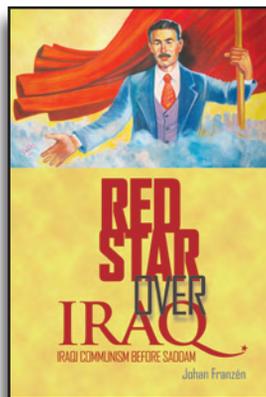
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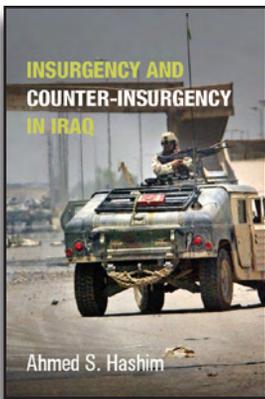
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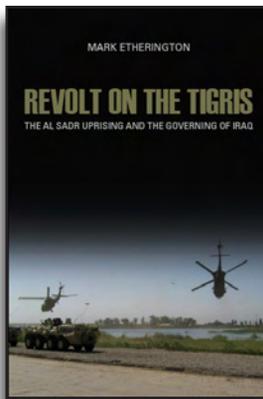
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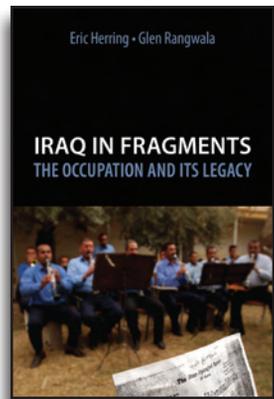
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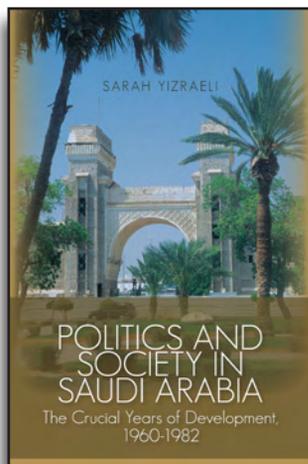
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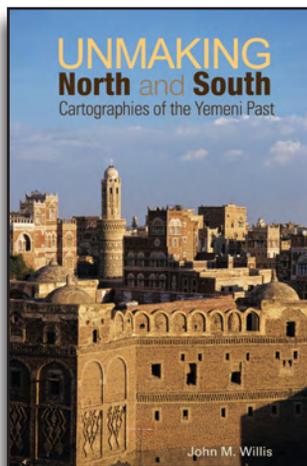
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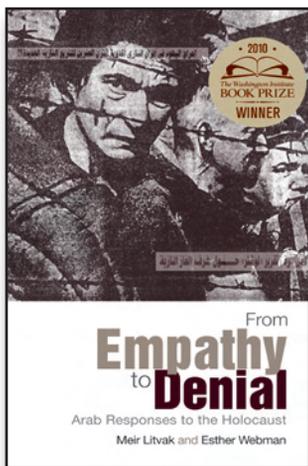
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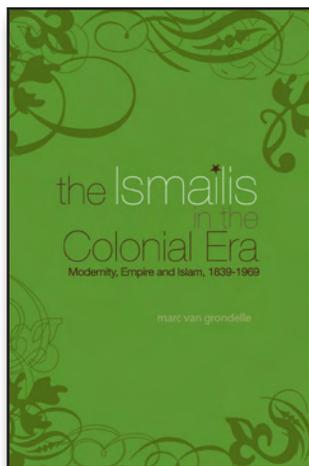
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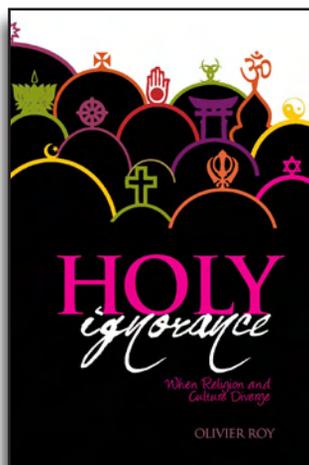
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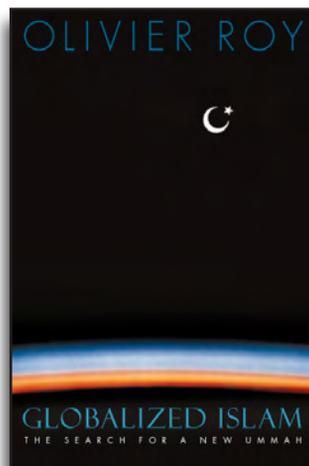
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The Search for a New Ummah

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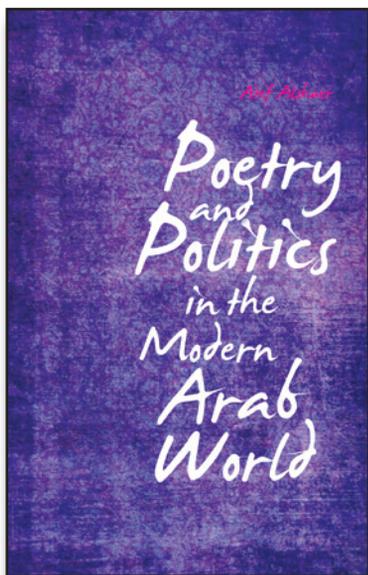
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A schism has emerged between mainstream Islamist movements in the Muslim world and the uprooted militants who strive to establish an imaginary Ummah, or Muslim community. Roy provides a detailed comparison of these transnational movements, whether peaceful like Tablighi Jama'at and the Islamic brotherhoods, or violent like al-Qaeda, showing how neofundamentalism acknowledges without nostalgia the loss of pristine cultures, constructing instead a universal religious identity that transcends the very notion of culture.

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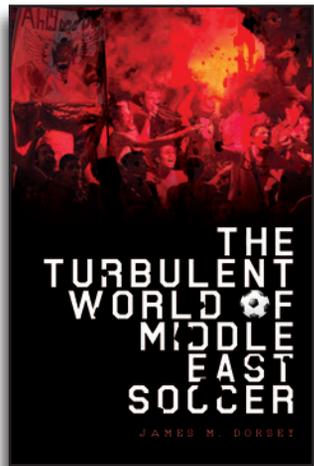
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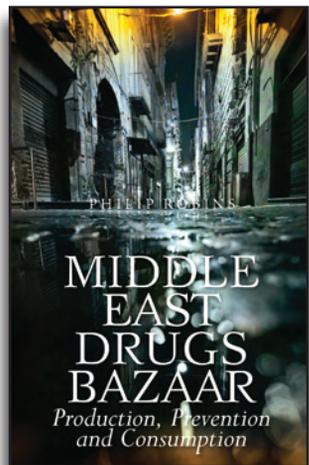
Middle East Drugs Bazaar

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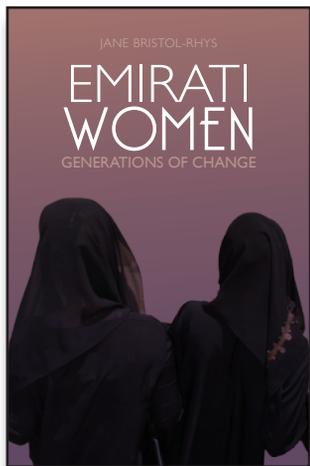
PHILIP ROBINS

The Middle East is intimately involved in the issue of illegal drugs which affects all the countries of the region. Yet, until now, there has been precious little research on any of these issues. This book, the first in any language to focus on illicit drugs in the Middle East, will surprise many readers. The consumption of qat in Yemen or cultivation of cannabis in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley is hardly news, but the extent of amphetamine use in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf States or the international role of Israeli narcotics manufacturers and traffickers is less well known.

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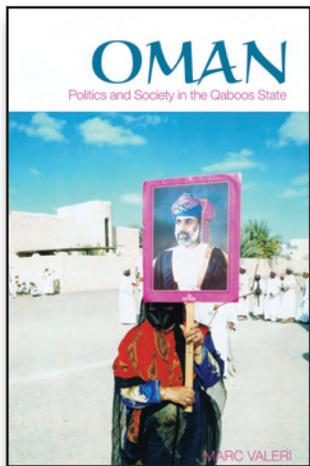
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The discovery of oil in the late 1960s catapulted the people of Abu Dhabi out of the isolating poverty into which it had plunged in the 1930s and onto the global stage. *Emirati Women* offers a rare view into the lives of Emirati women and how they perceive the changes that have made poverty a dim and almost forgotten memory. Bristol-Rhys weaves together eight years of conversations and interviews with three generations of women, her observations of Emirati society in Abu Dhabi, the unflattering stereotypes commonly heard in the extensive expatriate communities, and discussions with her Emirati university students on topics ranging from marriage, independence, freedom, and the future.

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MARC VALERI

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This book seeks to understand the mechanisms of social and political perpetuation of authoritarianism in post-colonial states such as Oman. It shows how one monarchical power has built and constantly renewed its basis to meet the internal and external challenges threatening its stability. Yet this book also raises the question of what happens when one part of this model, namely an oil-rent economy, falters, with half the population under fifteen years of age and when the privileges enjoyed till recently may no longer be tenable. Valeri also sheds light on the strategies adopted and challenges faced by other Arab monarchies in the Persian Gulf, Morocco and Jordan.

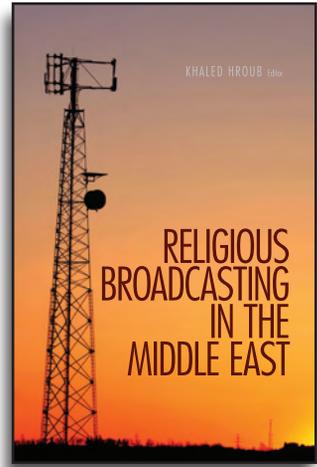
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Religious Broadcasting in the Middle East

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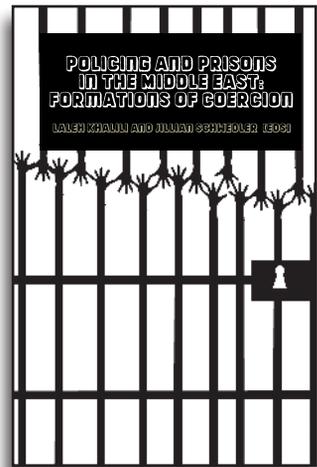
In the decade prior to the Arab Spring dozens of Muslim, Christian and Jewish religious channels were established across the Middle East. Most of these channels avoided direct engagement in politics to the extent that many of them would offer no daily news bulletin; only a few were highly politicised before the Arab Spring, amongst them Hamas's Al-Aqsa channel, Hizbullah's Al-Manar TV and Sunni/Shia channels in Iraq. Meanwhile, the rising influence and popularity of religious broadcasting was visible on mainstream news channels such as Al Jazeera, Al-Arabiya and others; all have broadcast popular religious shows since their inception. Based on monitoring and content-analysis of some of the region's most influential religious channels and programmes, the contributors to this book offer pioneering insights into this uncharted terrain, exploring the themes, discourses, appearances and the 'celebrities' of this still-expanding phenomenon of religious broadcasting in the Middle East.

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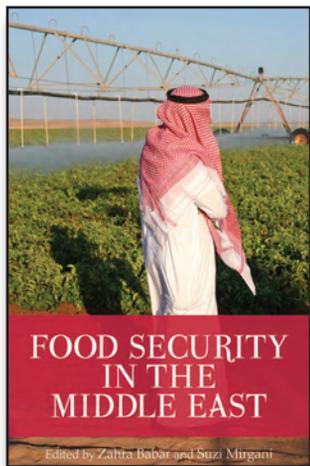
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The emergence of the modern Middle East has been accompanied by a concentration of coercive power in the state. Although the region has encompassed numerous Mukhabarat (secret police) states, extensive policing and carceral regimes, widespread use of torture and spectacular punishments, and although its prisons and policing practices are regularly condemned by human rights organisations, surprisingly few analyses explore the emergence of these grim institutions.

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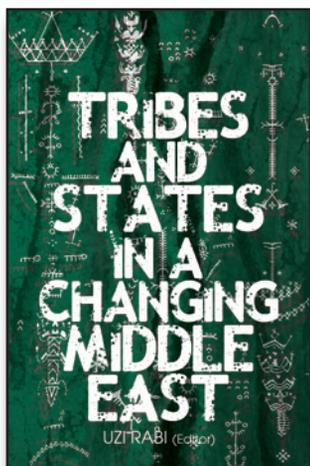
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This volume comprises original, empirically-grounded chapters that collectively offer the most comprehensive study available to date on food security in the Middle East. The book starts with a theoretical framing of the phenomena of food security and food sovereignty and presents empirical case studies of Lebanon, Jordan, Palestine, Egypt, Yemen, the Persian Gulf states and Iran. Amongst the themes examined are the ascent and decline of various food regimes, urban agriculture, overseas agricultural land purchases, national food self-sufficiency strategies, distribution networks and food consumption patterns, and nutrition transitions and healthcare. Collectively, the chapters represent highly original contributions to the disciplines of political science, economics, agricultural studies, and healthcare policy.

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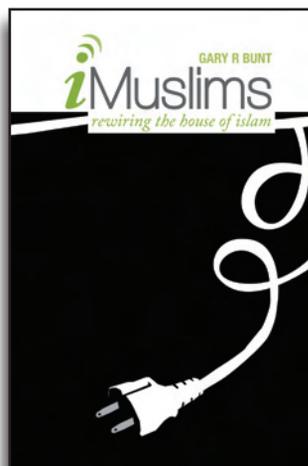
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Rewiring the House of Islam

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The internet has profoundly shaped how Muslims perceive Islam, and how Islamic societies and networks are evolving and shifting within the twenty-first century. While these electronic interfaces appear new and innovative in terms of how the media is applied, much of their content has a basis in classical Islamic concepts, with an historical resonance that can be traced back to the time of the Prophet Muhammad. *iMuslims* explores how these transformations and influences play out in diverse cyber Islamic environments, and how they are responding to shifts in technology and society. This book discusses how, in some contexts, the application of the internet has had an overarching transformational effect on how Muslims practice Islam, how forms of Islam are represented to the wider world, and how Muslim societies perceive themselves and their peers.



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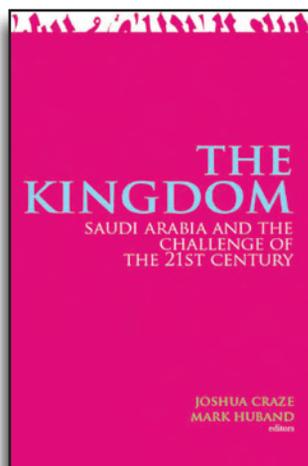
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Saudi Arabia and the Challenge of the 21st Century

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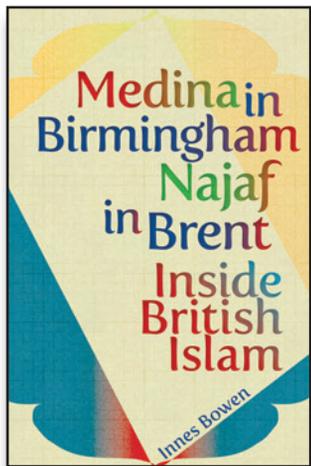
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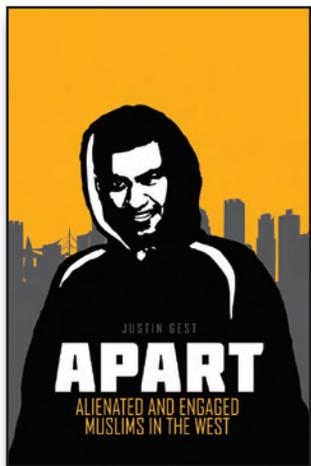
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Just as most churches in Britain are affiliated to one of the main Christian denominations, the vast majority of Britain's 1600 mosques are linked to wider sectarian networks: the Deobandi and Tablighi Jamaat movements; Salafi groups inspired by an austere form of Islam practiced in Saudi Arabia; Islamist movements with links to religious political parties in the Middle East and South Asia; Sufi movements that tend to emphasise spirituality over religious and political militancy; and diverse Shiite sects ranging from the orthodox disciples of Grand Ayatollah Sistani to the Ismaili followers of Aga Khan. These affiliations are often fiercely guarded by religious leaders. This book, of which no equivalent volume yet exists, is a definitive guide to the ideological differences, organisational structures and international links of the main Islamic groups active in Britain today.

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Alienated and Engaged Muslims in the West

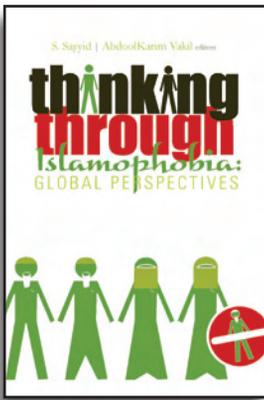
JUSTIN GEST

Muslim minorities comprise an ever-increasing proportion of Europe's population, but are official strategies to thwart home-grown terrorism forcing Muslims further to the fringe of our societies? For every terror suspect we see handcuffed in a televised trial, thousands of young Muslims outside the courtroom live an alienated existence in the boroughs and barrios of the Western world. *Apart* explores the nature of their disaffection and attraction to groups that undermine the system that remains their primary means of inclusion in society. Based on research conducted in London's East End and Madrid's Lavapies district, and drawing on over one hundred interviews with extremists, gangsters, imams, elders, politicians, and those just trying to get by, Justin Gest explores young Muslims' daily realities.

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Thinking Through Islamophobia

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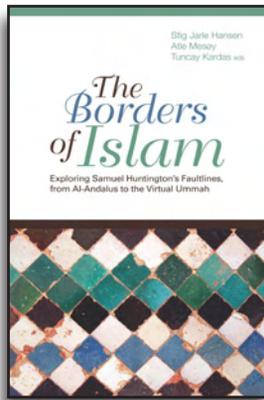
& ABDOOLKARIM VAKIL

Use of the term Islamophobia is today both inexorable and controversial. *Thinking Through Islamophobia* offers a series of critical engagements with the concept, its history and deployment, and the phenomena that it seeks to marshal. In an original and pioneering collection of essays, twenty-eight contributors hailing from diverse disciplinary and geographical backgrounds draw on their expertise to map out the tensions between the concept and the phenomena as they are played out across different contexts and continents.

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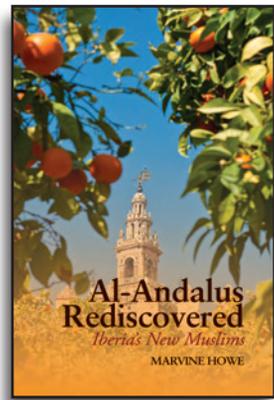
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In his seminal work *The Clash of Civilisations*, Samuel P. Huntington claimed that conflict between cultural blocs, or civilisations, will dominate the future. This specially commissioned set of essays sets out to critically examine the border zones of Islamic civilisation, be they geographical, cultural or virtual. The contributors explore the local dynamics in these zones to test whether or not they support or contradict Huntington's thesis of an emerging global confrontation between Islamic civilisation and its neighbours, be they Christian, Hindu, Buddhist or godless.

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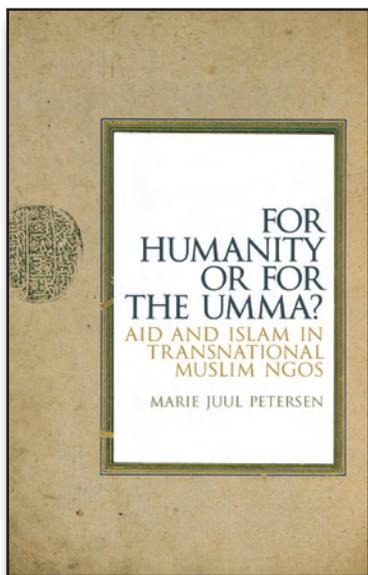
MARVINE HOWE

Iberia is a special place of colliding myths over its Islamic past and the Christian reconquista, the Inquisition and massive expulsion of Muslims and Jews some five centuries ago. Long a land of emigrants and explorers, it has now become home to Europe's latest, rapidly growing Muslim communities. *Al-Andalus Rediscovered* focuses on Iberia's new Muslims, and their lives in a largely Roman Catholic region. Also featured are the Spanish and Portuguese officials, academics, NGOs and citizens who are trying to find better ways to integrate Muslims and other immigrants.

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In the wake of 9/11 and the 'War on Terror', transnational Muslim NGOs have too often been perceived as illegitimate fronts for global militant networks such as al-Qaeda or as backers of national political parties and resistance groups in Palestine, Afghanistan and elsewhere. Yet clearly there is more to transnational Muslim NGOs. Most are legitimate providers of aid to the world's poor, although their assistance may sometimes differ substantially from that of secular NGOs in the West.

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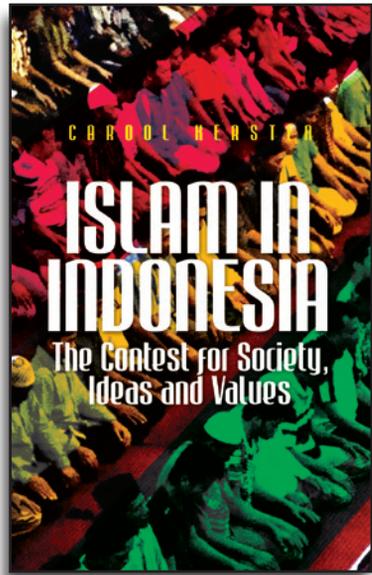
Islam in Indonesia

*The Contest for Society,
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CAROL KERSTEN

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Indonesia's Muslims are still pondering the role of religion in public life. Although the religious violence marring the transition towards democratic reform has ebbed, the Muslim community has polarised into reactionary and progressive camps with increasingly antagonistic views on the place of Islam in society. Debates over the underlying principles of democratisation have further heated up after a fatwa issued by conservative religious scholars condemned secularism, pluralism and liberalism as un-Islamic.

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Conceived as a contemporary history of ideas, this book aims to tell the story of these open-minded intellectuals and activists in the world's largest Muslim country.

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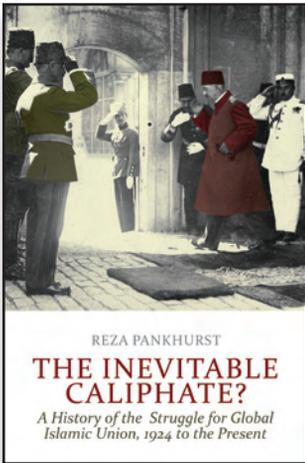
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Demystifying the Caliphate

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The Caliphate today is a contested concept among many actors in the Muslim world, Europe and beyond, the re-invention and imagining of which may appear puzzling to most of us. *Demystifying the Caliphate* sheds light on both the historical debates following the demise of the last Ottoman Caliphate and controversies surrounding recent calls to resurrect it, transcending alarmist agendas to answer fundamental questions about why the memory of the Caliphate lingers on among diverse Muslims. From London to the Caucasus, to Jakarta, Istanbul, and Baghdad, the contributors explore the concept of the Caliphate and the re-imagining of the Muslim ummah as a diverse multi-ethnic community.



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The Inevitable Caliphate?

A History of the Struggle for Global Islamic Union, 1924 to the Present

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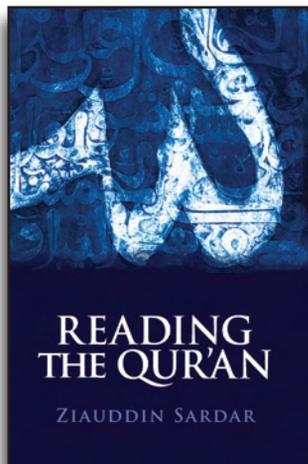
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While in the West 'the Caliphate' evokes overwhelmingly negative images, throughout Islamic history it has been regarded as the ideal Islamic polity. In the wake of the 'Arab Spring' and the removal of long-standing dictators in the Middle East, in which the dominant discourse appears to be one of the compatibility of Islam and democracy, reviving the Caliphate has continued to exercise the minds of its opponents and advocates. Reza Pankhurst's book contributes to our understanding of Islam in politics, the path of Islamic revival across the last century and how the popularity of the Caliphate in Muslim discourse waned and later re-emerged. Beginning with the abolition of the Caliphate, the ideas and discourse of the Muslim Brotherhood, Hizb ut-Tahrir, al-Qaeda and other smaller groups are then examined.

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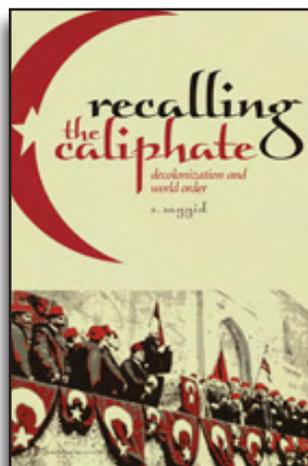
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Decolonisation and World Order

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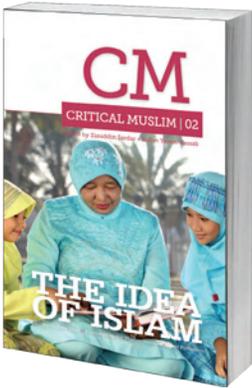
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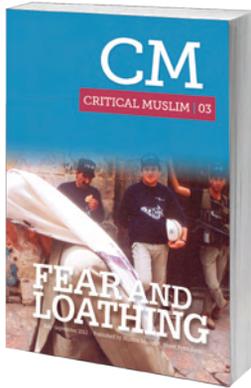
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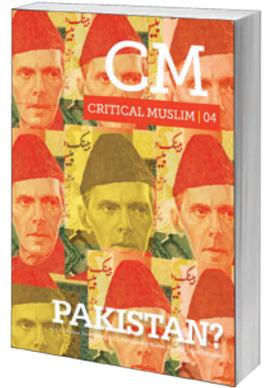
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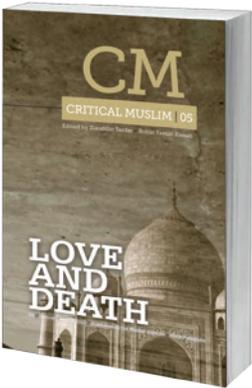
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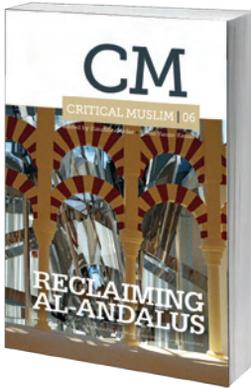
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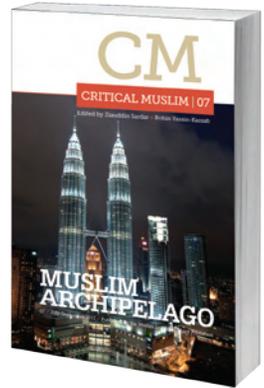
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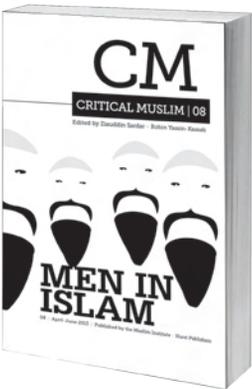
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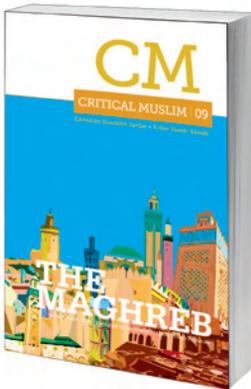
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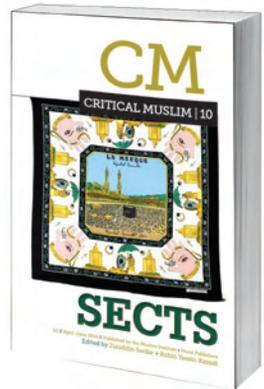
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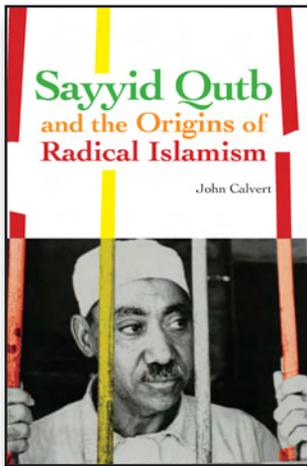
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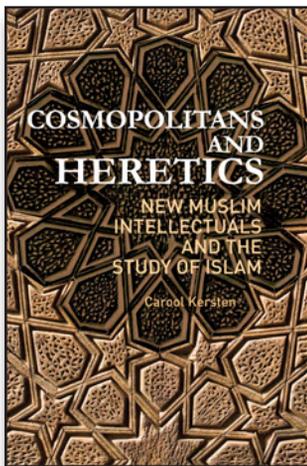
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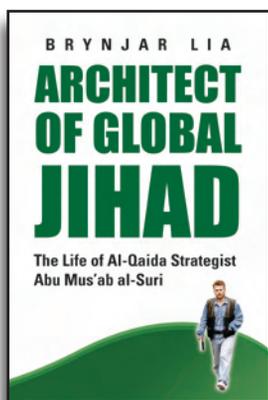
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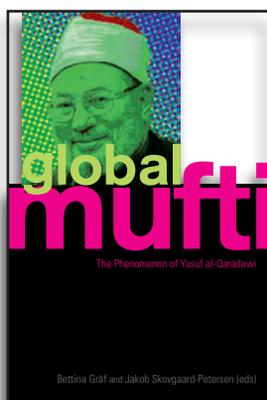
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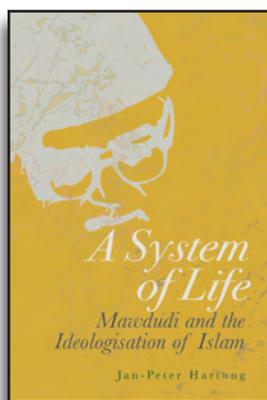
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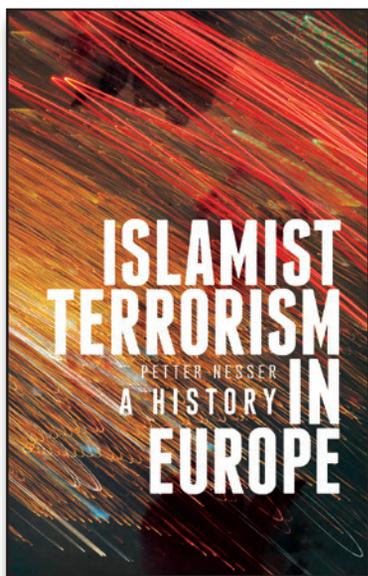
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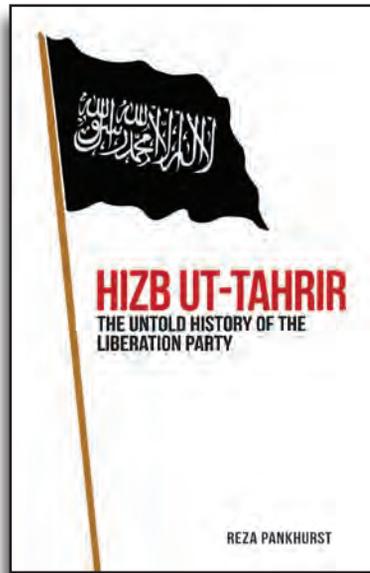
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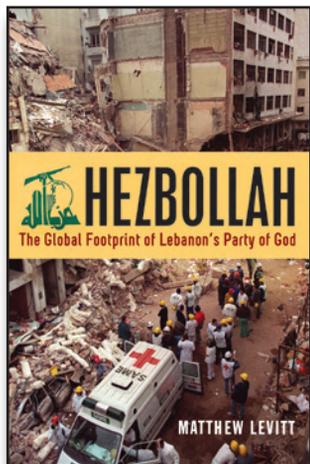
Reza Pankhurst is a political scientist and historian, specialising in the Middle East and Islamic movements. He has a doctorate from the London School of Economics, where he previously completed his master's degree in the history of international relations. He is the author of *The Inevitable Caliphate? A History of the Struggle for Global Islamic Union, 1924 to the Present*.

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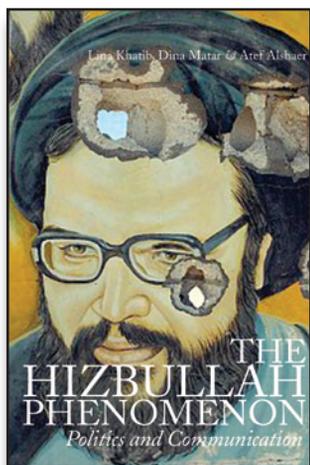
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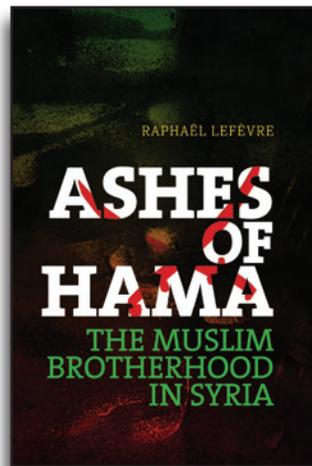
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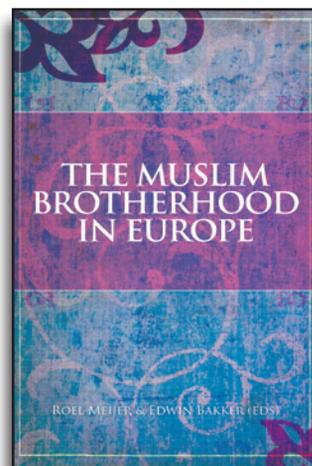
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The Muslim Brotherhood in the Middle East has always attracted widely divergent attention. Scholars have regarded it both as the source of terrorism and, more recently, as the potential harbinger of democratisation. The Muslim Brotherhood in Europe has attracted far less attention, but its ambiguous reputation in the Middle East has led to widespread speculation about its character. Its critics regard the European organisations as part of a suspicious, secretive, centrally-led world-wide organisation that enhances the alienation of Muslims in Europe. Its sympathisers, on the other hand, regard the Brotherhood as a moderate movement that has been Europeanised and promotes integration. This volume brings together experts on the European Muslim Brotherhood who address some of the main issues on which the discussion has concentrated.

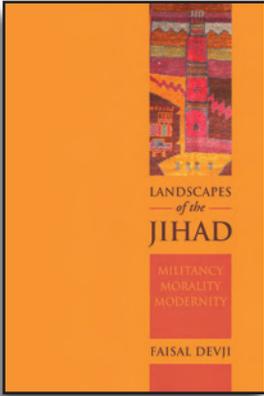


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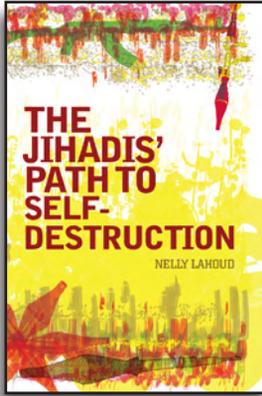
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The militant Islam represented by al-Qaeda is often described as a global movement. Apart from the geographical range of its operations and support, little else is held to define it as ‘global’. *Landscapes of the Jihad* explores the features that al-Qaeda and other strands of militant Islam have in common with global movements such as environmentalists and anti-globalisation protesters.

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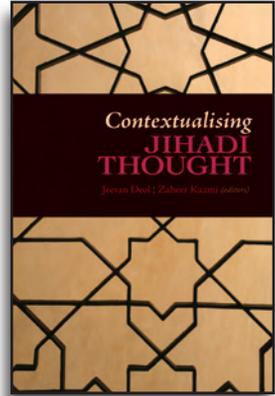
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Are violent jihadis an enduring feature of modern international affairs, or do they hold in their own doctrines the seeds of self-destruction? Jihadist ideologues have formulated an individualist-centred Islam to mobilise Muslims to join a global jihad. However, the duty to jihad constitutes just one side of this do-it-yourself Islam; the other is the duty to protect the purity of doctrinal beliefs. This book explores the religious philosophy underlying jihadism, as set against the background of the Kharijites, whose idealistic and individualistic practice of Islam inevitably led them to deploy takfir against each other and thereby to self-destruct.

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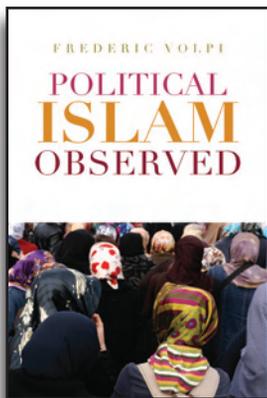
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Contextualising Jihadi Thought aims to transcend the dominance of security-studies approaches in the study of militant groups by creating a broader framework for understanding the varied intellectual histories, political engagements and geographies of jihadi ideas. Challenging prevailing policy understandings of a single jihadi ideological narrative, the book's chapters study militant currents of thought and the responses to them in Afghanistan, Yemen, Somalia, India, Pakistan, Egypt, South-East Asia and Europe as well as the global contexts within which transnational jihadism has been developed and propagated.

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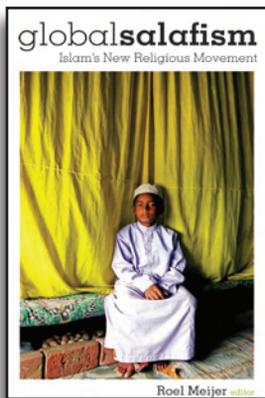
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This book offers a framework for understanding the interaction between the academic disciplines 'observing' contemporary political Islam and the individuals and communities being 'observed'. Volpi investigates how different disciplinary approaches in the social sciences explain and understand their 'Islamic' subject matter, revealing how political Islam is a phenomenon that each academic discipline analyses using its own dominant paradigms. His book outlines the areas of convergence and the synergies between these approaches and highlights the gaps and misunderstanding that still exist between parallel narratives on Islamism.

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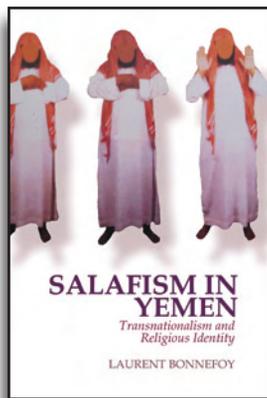
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'Salafism' and 'jihadi-Salafism' have become significant doctrinal trends in contemporary Islamic thought, yet the West has largely failed to offer a sophisticated and discerning definition of these movements. The contributors to *Global Salafism* carefully outline not only the differences in the Salafi schools but the broader currents of Islamic thought that constitute this trend as well. Emphasising the subtle tensions between local and global aspirations within the 'Salafi method', *Global Salafism* investigates the movement like no other study currently available.

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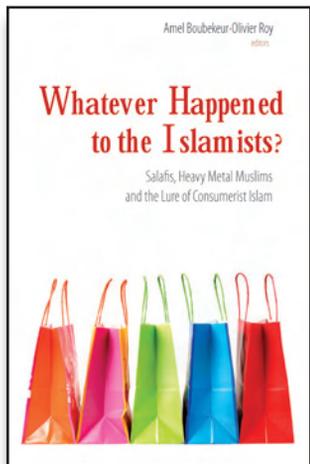
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Over the last decade Salafism has become one of the West's new political bogey-men. Many regard the movement as the antechamber of violent groups such as al-Qaeda and the by-product of a centralised foreign policy platform shaped by so-called Saudi interests. Based on extensive research conducted throughout Yemen between 2001 and 2009, and particularly in the southern province of Yāfi, this book offers an original approach to Salafism and draws a necessary counter-narrative that takes into account the dynamics of the Salafi movement as well as its relationship to its evolving environment, either local, regional and international.

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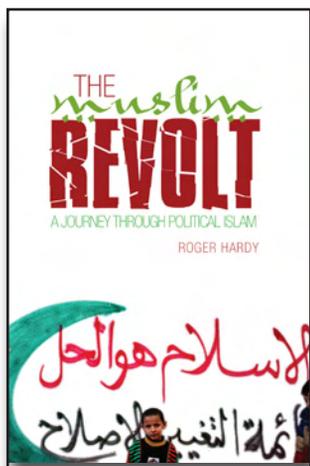
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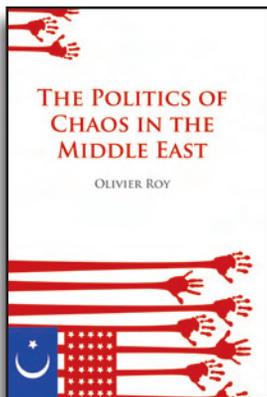
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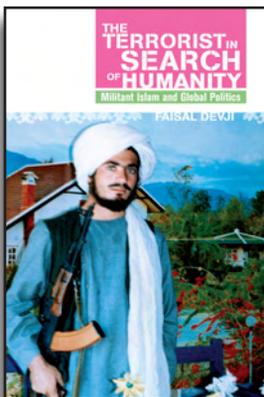
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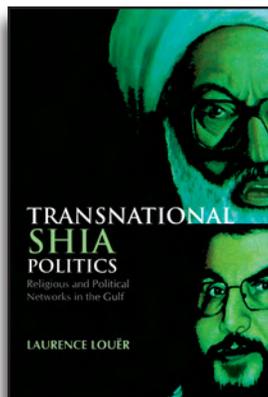
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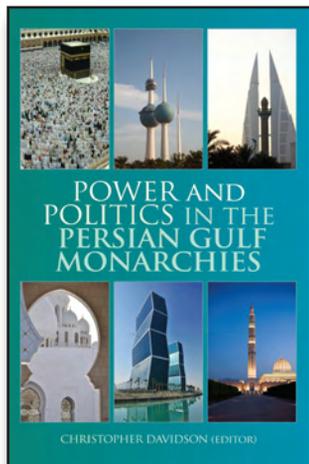
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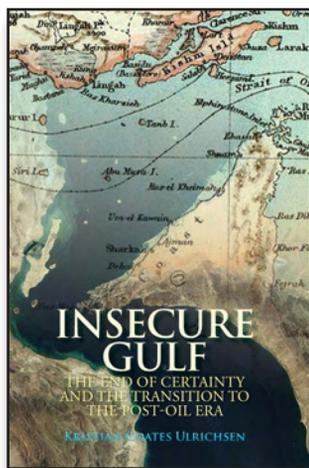
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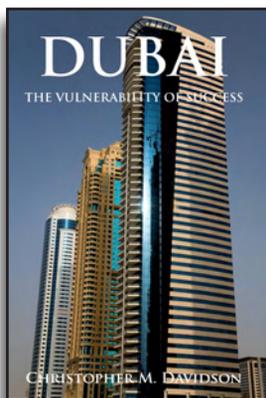
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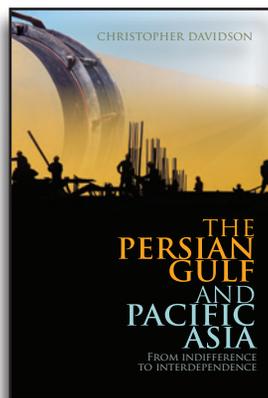
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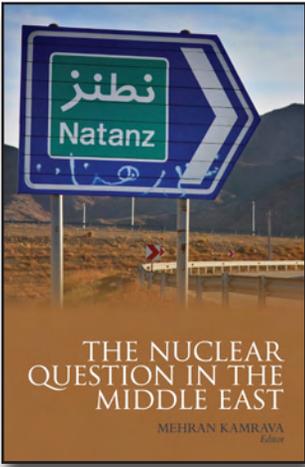
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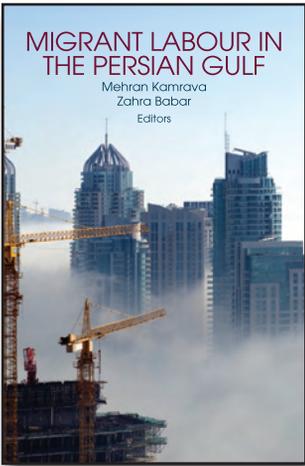
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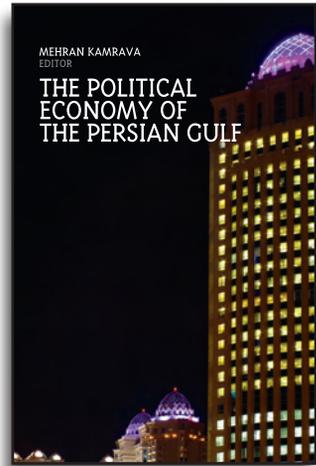
In some countries of the Persian Gulf as much as 85 to 90 per cent of the population is made up of expatriate workers. Unsurprisingly, all of the concerned states spend inordinate amounts of their political energies managing the armies of migrant labourers employed in their countries, and there are equally fundamental social, cultural, and economic consequences involved as well. *Migrant Labour in the Persian Gulf* is a multi-disciplinary examination of the manifold causes, nature, processes, and consequences of labour migration into the Persian Gulf.

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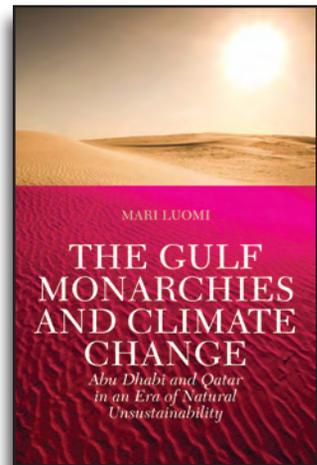
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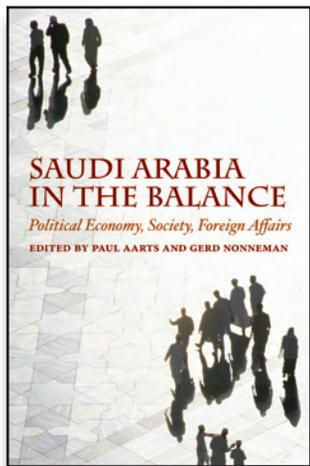


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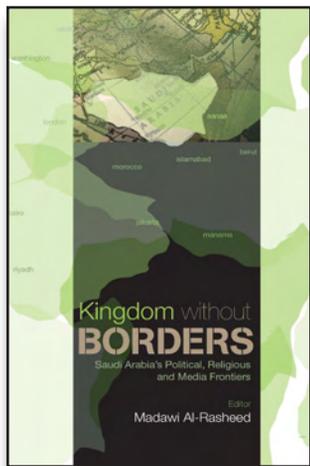
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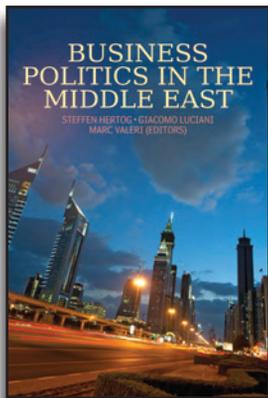
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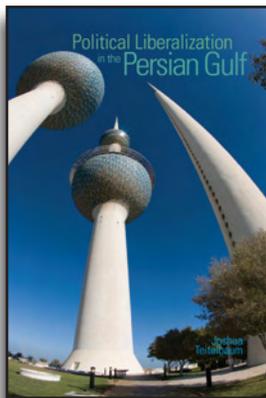


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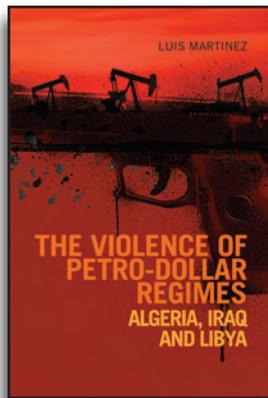


Political Liberalization in the Persian Gulf

JOSHUA TEITELBAUM

The Persian Gulf countries produce about 30 per cent of the planet's oil, and keep in the ground around 55 per cent of its crude oil reserves, and so the stability of the region's autocratic regimes is vital to the world's economic and political future. Yet paradoxically, despite its reputation as the most traditional of regions, the Persian Gulf holds out great promise to those who support political liberalisation. But is this part of an inexorable drive toward democratisation — or simply a means for autocratic regimes to consolidate and legitimise their rule?

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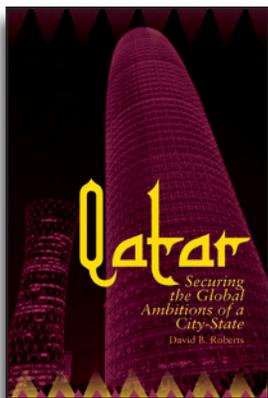
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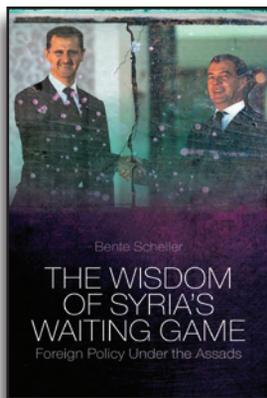
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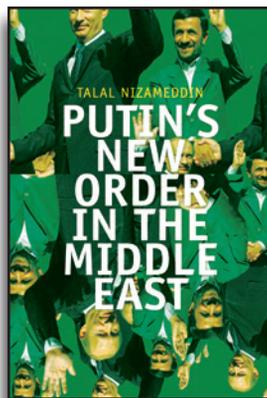
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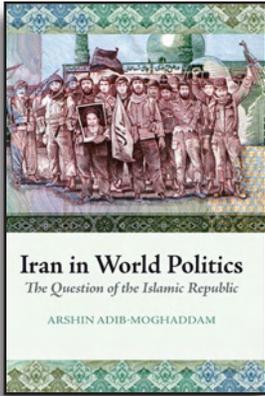
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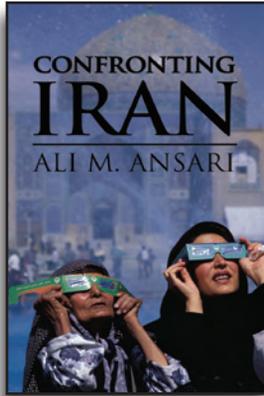
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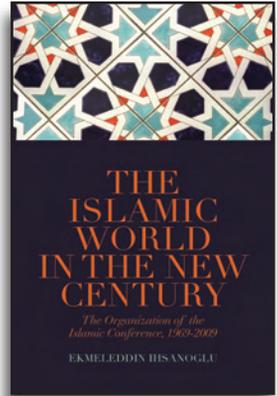
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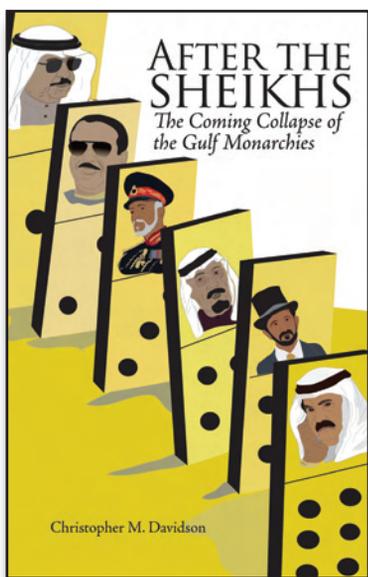
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Christopher Davidson is reader in Middle East politics at the School of Government and International Affairs, Durham University and author of several books on the gulf including *Dubai* and *Abu Dhabi*, all published by Hurst.

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After the Sheikhs

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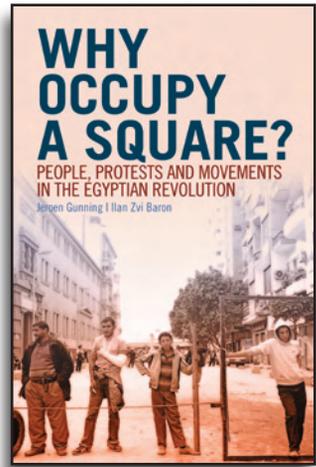
In this book, noted Gulf expert Christopher Davidson contends that the collapse of these kings, emirs, and sultans is going to happen, and was always going to. While the revolutionary movements in North Africa, Syria, and Yemen will undeniably serve as important, if indirect, catalysts for the coming upheaval, many of the pressures that were building in the Arab republics are now also very much present in the Gulf monarchies. It is no longer a matter of if but when these steadfast allies of the West fall. This is a bold claim to make but Davidson, who accurately forecast the economic turmoil that afflicted Dubai in 2009, has an enviable record in diagnosing social and political changes afoot in the region.

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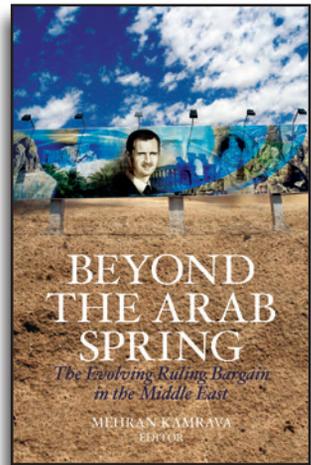
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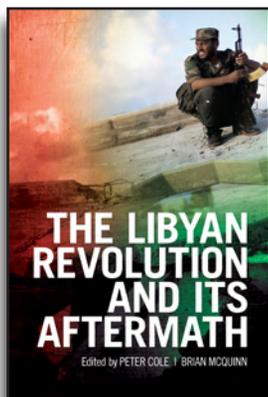
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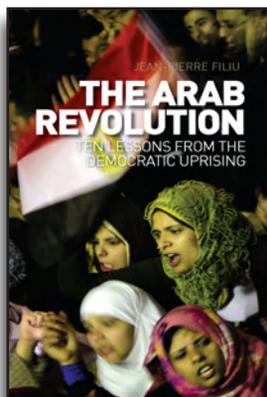
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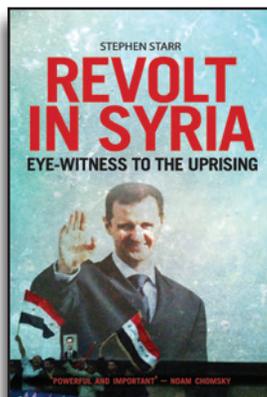
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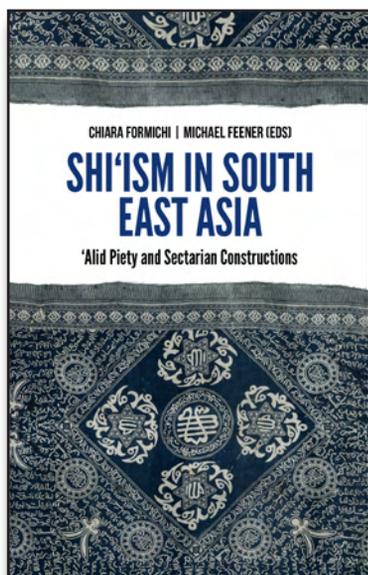
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This is the first work available in any language to extensively document and critically discuss traditions of 'Alid piety and their modern contestations in the region. The concept of 'Alid piety allows for a reframing of our views on the widespread reverence for 'Ali, Fatima and their progeny that emphasises how such sentiments and associated practices are seen as part of broad traditions shared by many Muslims, which might or might not have their origins in a specifically Shi'a identity. In doing so, it facilitates the movement of academic discussions out from under the shadow of polemical sectarian discourses on 'Shi'ism' in Southeast Asia. The chapters include presentations of new material from previously unpublished early manuscript sources from Muslim vernacular literatures in the Malay, Javanese, Sundanese, Acehese and Bugis languages, as well as rich new ethnography from across the region. These studies engage with cultural, intellectual, and performative traditions, as well as the ways in which 'Alid piety has been transformed in relation to more strictly sectarian identifications since the Iranian revolution in 1979.

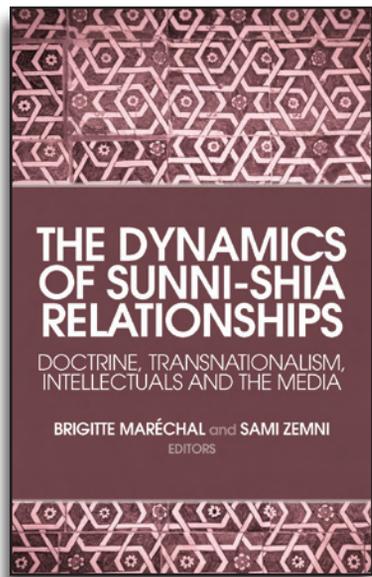
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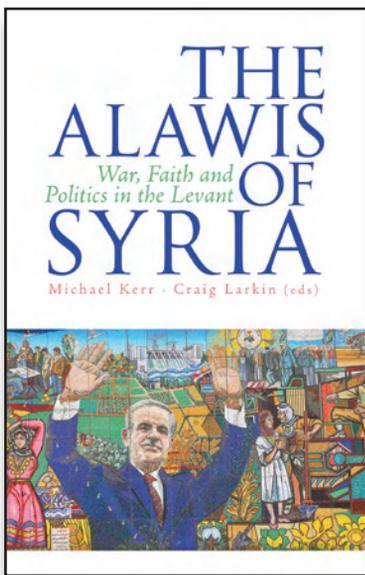
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Throughout the turbulent history of the Levant the 'Alawis — a secretive, resilient and ancient Muslim sect — have aroused suspicion and animosity, including accusations of religious heresy. More recently they have been tarred with the brush of political separatism and complicity in the excesses of the Assad regime, claims that have gained greater traction since the onset of the Syrian uprising and subsequent devastating civil war.

The contributors to this book provide a complex and nuanced reading of Syria's 'Alawi communities — from loyalist gangs (Shabiha) to outspoken critics of the regime. Drawing upon wide-ranging research that examines the historic, political and social dynamics of the 'Alawi and the Syrian state, the current tensions are scrutinised and fresh insights offered. Among the themes addressed are religious practice, social identities, and relations to the Ba'ath party, the Syrian state and the military apparatus. The analysis also extends to Lebanon with a focus on the embattled 'Alawi community of Jabal Mohsen in Tripoli and state relations with Hizballah amid the current crisis.

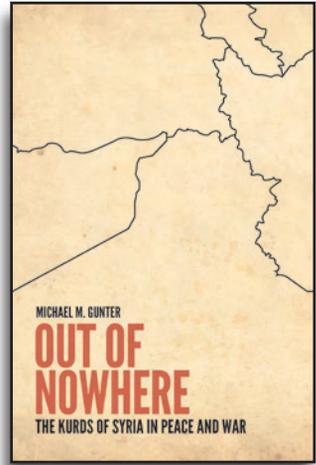
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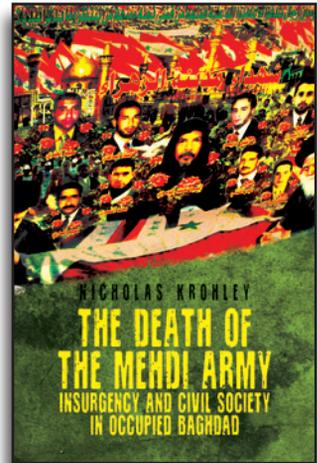
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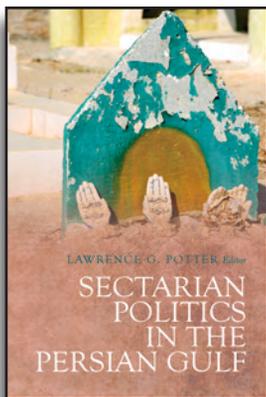
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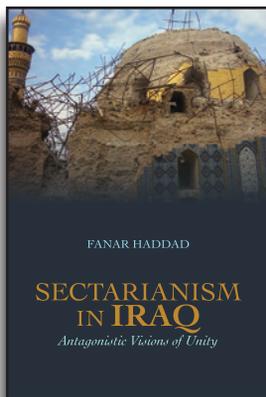


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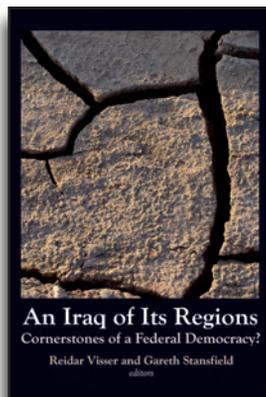
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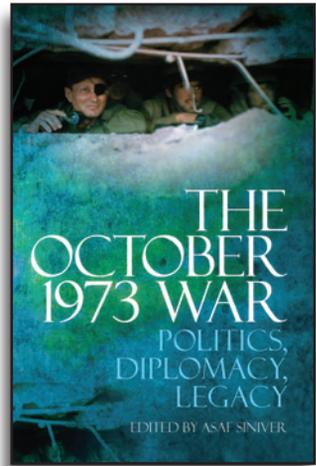
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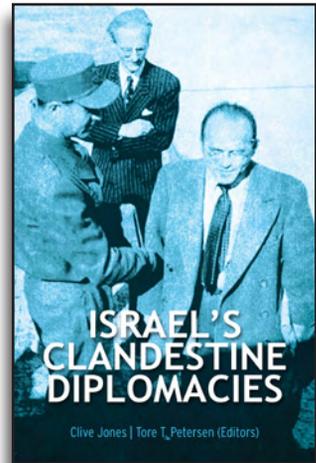


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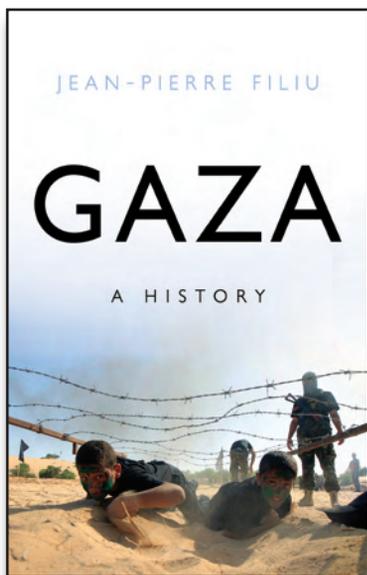
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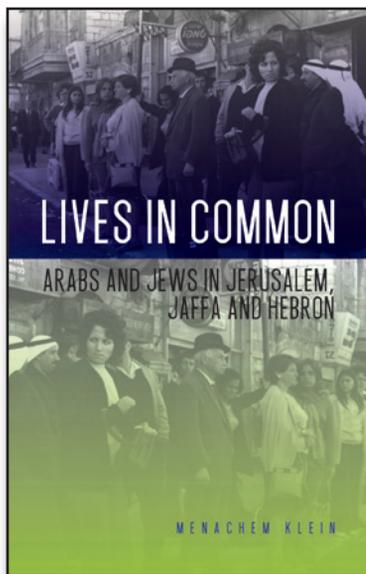
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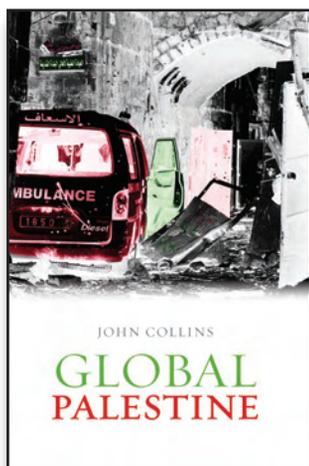
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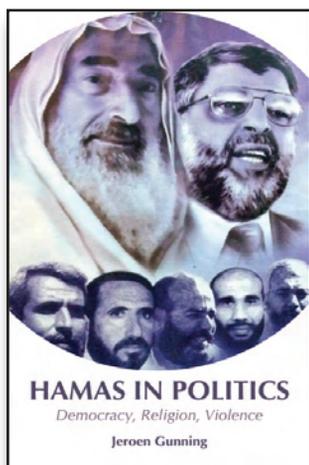
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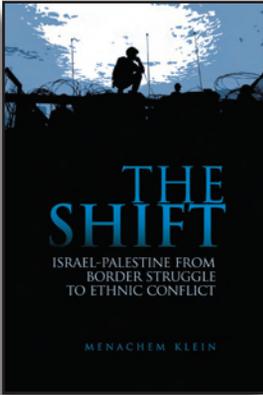
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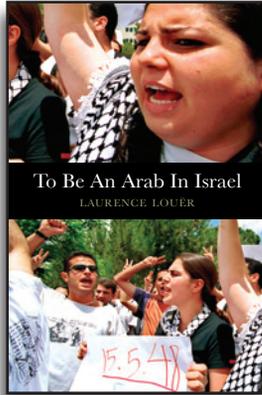
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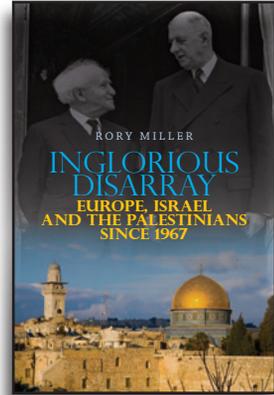
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