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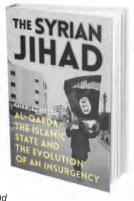
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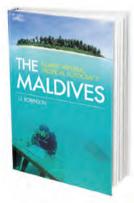
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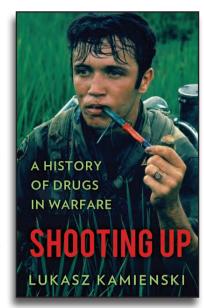
Shooting Up

A History of Drugs in Warfare

Lukasz Kamienski

A vividly written account of how drugs have shaped the history of warfare, based on prodigious research

January 2016 £25.00



Shooting Up is a comprehensive and original history of the relationship between fighting men and intoxicants, from Antiquity till the present day. Lukasz Kamienski explores why and how drugs have been issued to soldiers to increase their battlefield performance, boost their courage and alleviate stress and fear — as well as for medical purposes. He also delves into the history of psychoactive substances that combatants 'self-prescribe', namely those taken either for self-medication, recreation or to improve fighting capabilities, most notoriously by GIs in the Vietnam War, but also as far back as the Vikings.

From hallucinogenic mushrooms to LSD, from opium to opioids, from coca to cocaine, from amphetamines to ecstasy; from Homeric warriors to the first Gulf War, from the Assassins to today's global insurgents — Kamienski tells how drugs have sustained warriors in the field and how they will determine the wars of the future in unforeseen and remarkable ways. Also discussed is how intoxicants have been used as weapons of warfare, either as a feasible non-lethal psychochemical weapon or as a means of subversion.

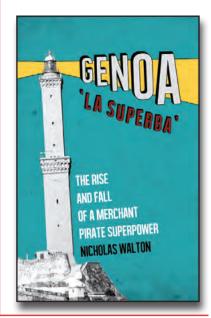
This remarkable study concludes by delving into the risks of intoxication for fighting power, military discipline and veterans' lives. 'This in-depth analysis of the "highs" of war tells a largely untold story — of the role drugs played over the centuries in supporting troops on the battlefield, and the role they will play in future in driving the course of war. Kamienski's book will undoubtedly come to be regarded as a classic text.' — Professor Christopher Coker, London School of Economics

Lukasz Kamienski is Assistant Professor at the Faculty of International and Political Studies, Jagiellonian University, Krakow.

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War / Security Studies



Genoa, 'La Superba'

The Rise and Fall of a Merchant Pirate Superpower

Nicholas Walton

'At last. An approachable and informative book about Genoa, one of the world's great cities, but sadly underrated and still one of Italy's best kept secrets. Read, explore, enjoy.' — Andrew Graham-Dixon, art critic and broadcaster

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'Part lively history, part personal travelogue, Nicholas Walton writes with gusto of this quirkiest, least known and most authentic of Italian cities. He vividly conjures an extraordinary past populated by pirates, adventurers and eccentrics; its landscapes, its buildings, inhabitants, food and culture. This book is an invitation to go there straight away.' — Roger Crowley, author of City of Fortune: How Venice Won and Lost a Naval Empire

Nicholas Walton is a journalist who spent fourteen years at the BBC, covering foreign news at the World Service, working as Sarajevo and Warsaw correspondent, and making programmes from Sierra Leone to Georgia. After four years with the European Council on Foreign Relations he moved to his wife's hometown of Genoa, and is now following her career around Asia and beyond.

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History / Europe

Genoa has an incredible story to tell. It rose from an obscurity imposed by its harsh geography to become a merchant-pirate superpower that helped create the medieval world. It fought bitter battles with its great rival Venice, and imprisoned Marco Polo, as the feuding city-states connected Europe to the glories of the East. It introduced the Black Death to Europe, led the fight against the Barbary Corsairs, bankrolled Imperial Spain, and gave the world Christopher Columbus and a host of fearless explorers. Genoa and Liguria provided the brains and the heroism behind the Risorgimento, and was the last place emigrants saw before building new lives across the Atlantic. It played host to writers and Grand Tourists, gave football to the Italians, and helped build modern Italy. Today, along with the glorious Riviera coast of Liguria, Genoa provides some of the finest places on earth to sip wine, eat pesto and enjoy spectacular views. This book brings the past to life and paints a portrait of a modern port city and region that is only now coming to terms with a past that is as bloody, fascinating and influential as any in Europe.

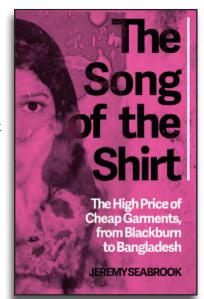
The Song of the Shirt

The High Price of Cheap Garments, from Blackburn to Bangladesh

Jeremy Seabrook

'Seabrook has established himself as perhaps Britain's finest anatomist of class, deindustrialisation, migration and the spiritual consequences of neoliberalism. The Song of the Shirt may well be his masterpiece.' — The Guardian

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In April 2013 Rana Plaza, an unremarkable eightstory commercial block in Dhaka, the capital of Bangladesh, collapsed, killing 1,129 people and injuring over 2,000. Most of them were low paid textile workers who had been ordered to return to their cramped workshops the day after ominous cracks were discovered in the building.

Rana Plaza's destruction revealed a stark tragedy in the making: of men (in fact mostly women and children) toiling in fragile, flammable buildings who provide the world with limitless cheap garments — through Primark, Walmart, Benetton and Gap — and bring in 70 per cent of Bangladesh's foreign exchange, though they earn a pittance.

In elegiac prose, Jeremy Seabrook investigates the disproportionate sacrifices demanded by the manufacture of baseball caps and sweatshirts. He also traces the intertwined histories of workers in what is now Bangladesh, and Lancashire. 200 years ago the former were dispossessed of ancient skills and their counterparts in Blackburn forced into labour settlements; in a ghostly replay of traffic in the other direction, the decline of Britain's textile industry coincided with Bangladesh becoming a major clothing exporter. The two examples offer mirror images of impoverishment and affluence.

'The sweat and blood of Bangladeshi garment workers is woven into the very fabric of our daily lives. Seabrook, as he always has, delivers a brilliantly written Jeremiad with an urgent moral message.'

- Mike Davis, author of Planet of Slums

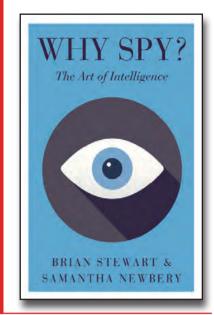
"The inspirational Jeremy Seabrook beats any celebrity radical in the art of speaking hard truths through fine prose." — Boyd Tonkin, *The Independent*

Jeremy Seabrook is the author of more than forty books on subjects as diverse as transnational prostitution, child labour, social class, ageing, unemployment and poverty. His most recent include People Without History, a report from India's Muslim slums, and Pauperland: Poverty and the Poor in Britain.

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Current Affairs



Why Spy?

The Art of Intelligence

Brian Stewart and Samantha Newbery

'Drawing on a lifetime of personal experience, Why Spy? explains why nations engage in espionage and how intelligence can impact on policymaking for good or ill.' — Nigel Inkster, former Director of Operations, SIS

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Brian Stewart, MC, CMG, went from Oxford University into the Black Watch and studied Chinese during the pre-Communist turmoil. His career in the Malayan Civil Service and in later postings in Asia, including in Hanoi during the Vietnam War, was frequently concerned with intelligence in the field and his subsequent position as Secretary of the Joint Intelligence Committee in the Cabinet Office gave him a bird's eye view of the intelligence bureaucracy both in Britain and the US.

Samantha Newbery is Lecturer in Contemporary Intelligence Studies, University of Salford.

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Security Studies / Intelligence

Why Spy? is the result of Brian Stewart's seventy years of working in, and studying, the uses and abuses of intelligence in the real world. Few books currently available to those involved, either as professionals or students, in this area have been written by someone who has practical experience both of field work and of the intelligence bureaucracy at home and abroad. Why Sty? relates successes and failures via case studies, and draws conclusions that should be pondered by all those concerned with the limitations and usefulness of the intelligence product, as well as with how to avoid the tendency to abuse or ignore it when its conclusions do not fit with preconceived ideas. It reminds the reader of the multiplicity of methods and organisations and the wide range of talents making up the intelligence world.

This book makes a powerful argument for the necessity of embracing a range of sources, including police, political, military and covert, to ensure that secret intelligence is placed in as wide a context as possible when decisions are made.

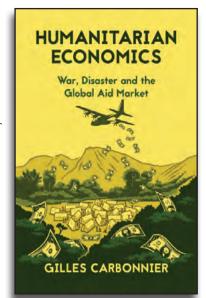
Humanitarian Economics

War, Disaster and the Global Aid Market

Gilles Carbonnier

Introduces and explains the economics behind the multi-billion dollar humanitarian marketplace and how it came about

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The booming global humanitarian market is worth billions of dollars a year, yet the demand for, and provision of, humanitarian assistance for those affected by wars and disasters rarely if ever converges. In parallel, 'humanitarian economics' has emerged as a new field of study and practice, one that encompasses the economics and political economy of war, disaster, terrorism and humanitarianism.

Carbonnier's book is the first to present humanitarian economics to a wider readership, seeking to define its parameters, explain its utility and convince us why it matters. Among the issues he discusses are: how are emotions and altruism incorporated within a rational-choice framework? How do the economics of war and terrorism inform humanitarians' negotiations with combatants, and shed light on the role of aid in conflict? What do catastrophe bonds and risk-linked securities hold for disaster response? How does the impact of the Syrian crisis on Lebanon illustrate the challenges of assessing needs in an urban, middle-income country and of opting for cash assistance rather than material aid?

As more actors enter the humanitarian marketplace (including private firms), Carbonnier's revealing portrayal is especially timely, as is his critique of the transformative power of crises.

Gilles Carbonnier is Professor of Development Economics, the Graduate Institute, Geneva. He has over twenty years of experience in international trade, development and humanitarian action.

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Blood Year

The Unravelling of Western Counterterrorism

David Kilcullen

2014 was a 'Red Year' – massacres and beheadings, fallen cities, collapsed and collapsing states, the unravelling of a decade of foreign policy and military strategy. In David Kilcullen's words, 'What the hell happened?' Read this book to find out.

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David Kilcullen is one of the world's foremost thinkers on counterinsurgency and military strategy. He is the author of *The Accidental Guerrilla*, a *Washington Post* bestseller, and *Counterinsurgency*. He was formerly Senior Counterinsurgency Advisor to General David Petraeus in Iraq and to the NATO Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan.

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War / Security Studies

Blood Year is an unsparingly honest, self-critical analysis of the collapse of western counterterrorism strategy, by one of its original architects. As a counterterrorism officer, then Chief Strategist in the US State Department's Bureau of Counterterrorism. David Kilcullen was one of the key designers of British and US counterterrorism policy. His insights helped to shape the strategy, known as 'Disaggregation', which crippled Al-Qaeda and prevented a follow-up to the 9/11 attacks. He found himself in harm's way in Southeast Asia, Libya, Somalia, Pakistan, Iraq and Afghanistan. So Kilcullen's frank assessment – that the strategy he helped design has failed, as it has not made us safer, and has contributed to new threats, including ISIS – makes this short book mandatory reading for anyone interested in how terrorism is confronted. The most startling part of Kilcullen's analysis is the suggestion that there may be far worse adversaries than ISIS incubating in various parts of the world, preparing for the next stage of their struggle. His prescription for change, for a thorough reimagining of the threat, and for an open public debate on how to deal with it, will be a massive challenge. But if western democracies are to avoid more years of blood, it will be essential.

Out of the Mountains

The Coming Age of the Urban Guerrilla

David Kilcullen

'This is a brilliant book by the most unfettered and analytically acute mind in the military intelligentsia. Kilcullen unflinchingly confronts the nightmare of endless warfare in the slums of the world.' — Mike Davis, author of Planet of Slums

In his third book, David Kilcullen takes us out of

the mountains: away from the remote, rural guer-

rilla warfare of Afghanistan, and into the margin-

alised slums and complex security threats of the world's coastal cities, where almost 75 per cent of

us will be living by mid-century. Scrutinising ma-

jor environmental trends - population growth,

coastal urbanisation - and increasing digital

connectivity, he projects a future of feral cities, urban systems under stress, and increasing over-

laps between crime and war, internal and external

in cities in Central America and Africa, Out of the

accounts of the new faces of modern conflict

- from the 2008 Mumbai terrorist attacks, to

transnational drug networks, local street gangs,

detailed, on-the-ground

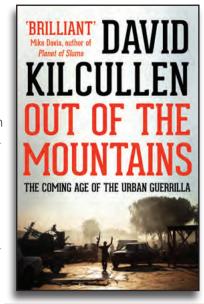
Informed by Kilcullen's own fieldwork in the Caribbean, Somalia, the Middle East and Afghanistan, and that of his field research teams

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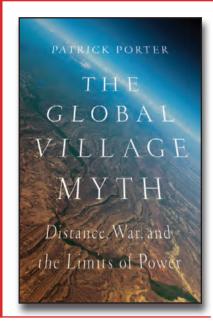
'Kilcullen is a natural storyteller with a sharp and sympathetic mind. His firsthand experiences in Somalia, Afghanistan and elsewhere carry added credibility given his track record as a senior adviser to David Petraeus, the star US general in Iraq, and later to Nato in Afghanistan.' - The Daily Telegraph

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The Global Village Myth

Distance, War, and the Limits of Power

Patrick Porter

Does technology kill distance? Does the 'globalisation' of the world make the US and its allies vulnerable to violence, terrorism or cyberassault?

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'With clear-eyed logic, Patrick Porter explains why distance, borders, and other key elements of geopolitics remain highly relevant in the era of drones, cyber-technology, and decentralised terror networks. His arguments are nuanced and clear, his criticisms of the conventional wisdom are compelling, and the implications for national security policy are profound.' — Stephen Walt, Professor of International Affairs, Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government

Patrick Porter is Academic Director, Strategy and Security Institute, University of Exeter, and author of Military Orientalism: Eastern War through Western Eyes.

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'Globalism' — the belief that changes in information, transport and communications are dangerously shrinking the world — is a reigning assumption amongst security elites. It makes the United States and its allies feel perpetually insecure, haunted by rumours of chain reactions and the domino effect. At the same time, the vision of instant and borderless warfare can be seductive, making Westerners believe they must strike first, with new powers to tame a chaotic world. Under the shadow of globalism, disastrous wars are fought, civil liberties are threatened and hysteria replaces sober debate about foreign policy.

In *The Global Village* Myth, Patrick Porter demonstrates that Globalism is wildly overstated. Technology may accelerate movement and compress physical space. But it does not necessarily shrink strategic space, the ability to project power affordably across the earth. If distance is created by humans exploiting technology and terrain, the world in important ways is getting larger, not smaller. This makes us less powerful, but more secure, than we think. Porter offers an alternative outlook to lead policymakers toward more sensible responses and a wiser, more sustainable, grand strategy.

Selling the Future

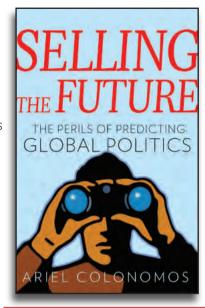
The Perils of Predicting Global Politics

Ariel Colonomos

TRANSLATED BY GREGORY ELLIOTT

A cautionary investigation of the global futures business – political risk, investment funding, think tanks – and how its predictions distort our understanding of the world we live in

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In an age of uncertainty, those who can anticipate revolution, the outbreak of wars, or which states might default are much in demand. The marketplace of ideas about the future is huge, and includes 'wonks', scholars and pundits who produce scenarios, predictions and ratings. The more opaque the future seems to be, the further the relationship between knowledge and power intensifies — above all the nexus between those who sell their expertise and those who consume it.

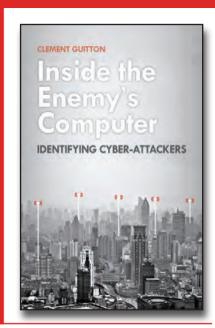
In his investigation of the paradoxes of forecasting, Ariel Colonomos interrogates today's knowledge factories to reveal how our futures are shaped by social scientists, think-tanks and rating agencies. He explains why conservative and linear predictions prevail, and why the future, especially when linked to national interest, reflects a systematic search for stability. The notion of a globalised world whose main characteristic is speed, and where predictions have accelerating, self-fulfilling effects, is obsolete. Those who are supposed to know reassure those who are supposed to act. Their preferences converge, and thus the industry of the future has a decelerating effect on world politics. These 'lords of knowledge' reinforce pre-existing beliefs, create expectations about the future, while obstructing its vision when - inevitably - it diverges from its orderly path.

Ariel Colonomos is Senior Research Fellow, CERI/CNRS, Paris.

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Current Affairs



Inside the Enemy's Computer

Identifying Cyber-Attackers

Clement Guitton

When your business, your defence ministry or your PC is hacked, how do you know who did it, given the limitless range of possible culprits? This book explores the complexities of attribution

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Attribution – tracing those responsible for a cyber attack – is of primary importance when classifying it as a criminal act, an act of war, or an act of terrorism. Three assumptions dominate current thinking: attribution is a technical problem; it is unsolvable; and it is unique. Approaching attribution as a problem forces us to consider it either as solved or unsolved. Yet attribution is far more nuanced, and is best approached as a process in constant flux, driven by judicial and political pressures. In the criminal context, courts must assess the guilt of criminals, mainly based on technical evidence. In the national security context, decision-makers must analyse unreliable and mainly non-technical information in order to identify an enemy of the state. Attribution in both contexts is political: in criminal cases, laws reflect society's prevailing norms and powers; in national security cases, attribution reflects a state's will to maintain, increase or assert its power. However, both processes differ on many levels. The constraints, which reflect common aspects of many other political issues, constitute the structure of the book: the need for judgement calls, the role of private companies, the standards of evidence, the role of time, and the plausible deniability of attacks.

Clement Guitton is an analyst with the Swiss Ministry of Defence.

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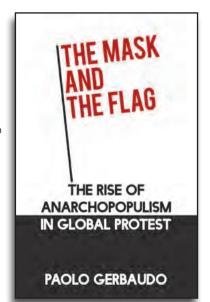
The Mask and the Flag

The Rise of Anarchopopulism in Global Protest

Paolo Gerbaudo

The populist turn to street protest and the reasons behind its global resurgence are the twin themes of this timely analysis

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From Tahrir Square, to the *indignados* of Southern Europe, Occupy Wall Street, the Gezi protest in Turkey and Brazil's June Movement, contemporary protest bears the mark of anarcho-populism, a hybrid political culture in which the Guy Fawkes mask of anarchism is overlaid by the national flag of democratic populism. Emboldened by popular calls to mobilise citizens against economic and political oligarchies, these movements have broadened participatory practices previously confined to neo-anarchist countercultures. They have built assemblies, protest camps, and used social media as platforms for mass mobilisation, often winning widespread support.

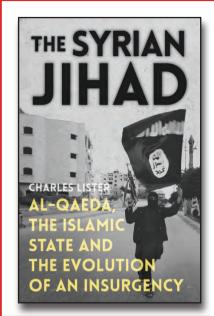
Gerbaudo argues that the populist turn has allowed protestors to break out of the activist ghetto and to tackle the fragmentation of identity politics. Paradoxically, an obsession with flat and acephalous organisational models has made them incapable of integrating those they first mobilised in mass protest, ultimately condemning them to defeat by state repression and internal exhaustion. Despite its evanescence, this protest wave has propagated an inclusive spirit of popular solidarity and led to the foundation of new initiatives and organisations which will shape politics for years to come.

Paolo Gerbaudo is Lecturer in Digital Culture and Society, King's College London, and was formerly London correspondent for the Italian newspaper, Il Manifesto. He writes for The Guardian and Open Democracy.

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Politics / Social Movements



The Syrian Jihad

Al-Qaeda, the Islamic State and the Evolution of an Insurgency

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— Thomas Pierret, University of Edinburgh, author of Religion and State in Syria

Charles Lister is a visiting fellow at the Brookings Institution's Doha Center. He was formerly head of the Middle East and North Africa section at IHS Jane's Terrorism and Insurgency Centre.

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War / Security Studies

The eruption of the anti-Assad revolution in Syria has had many unintended consequences, among which is the opportunity it offered Sunni jihadists to establish a foothold in the heart of the Middle East. That Syria's ongoing civil war is so brutal and protracted has only compounded the situation, as have developments in Iraq and Lebanon. Ranging across the battlefields and international borders have been dozens of jihadi Islamist fighting groups, some of which coalesced into significant factions such as Jabhat al-Nusra and the Islamic State.

This book assesses and explains the emergence since 2011 of Sunni jihadist organisations in Syria's fledgling insurgency, charts their evolution and situates them within the global Islamist project. Unprecedented numbers of foreign fighters have joined such groups, who will almost certainly continue to host them. External factors are scrutinised, including the strategic and tactical lessons learned from other jihadist conflict zones and the complex interplay between al-Qaeda and the Islamic State and how it has influenced the jihadist sphere in Syria. Tensions between and conflict within such groups also feature in this indispensable volume.

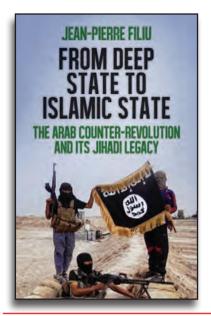
From Deep State to Islamic State

The Arab Counter-Revolution and its Jihadi Legacy

Jean-Pierre Filiu

A chilling account of how the intelligence agencies of the Arab world sabotaged the people's yearning for democracy by deploying terror and intimidation on an unprecedented scale

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'Rather than focus on grassroots opposition, Filiu casts attention on the state regimes with an eye to discerning the sources of their strength and resiliency. He takes a long view to argue that State power doomed the Arab Spring from the outset. ... Excellent.' — Professor John Calvert, author of Sayyid Qutb and the Origins of Radical Islamism

Jean-Pierre Filiu is Professor of Middle
East Studies at Sciences Po in Paris, and
has held visiting professorships at both
Columbia University and Georgetown
University. He is the author of Gaza:
A History and The Arab Revolution: Ten
Lessons from the Democratic Uprising.

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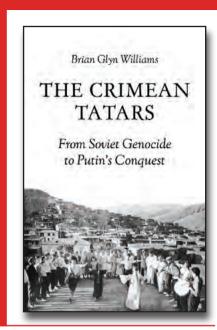
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Middle East / Current Affairs

In this disturbing and timely book Jean-Pierre Filiu lays bare the strategies and tactics employed by the Middle Eastern autocracies, above all those of Syria, Egypt, Yemen and Algeria, that set out to crush the democratic uprisings of the 'Arab Revolution'.

In pursuit of these goals they turned to the intelligence agencies and internal security arms of the 'deep state', the armed forces and to street gangs such as Syria's Shabiha to enforce their will. Alongside intimidation, imprisonment and murder, Arab counter-revolutionaries discredited and split their opponents by boosting Salafi-Jihadi groups such as Islamic State. They also released from prison hardline Islamists and secretly armed and funded them.

The full potential of the Arab counter-revolution surprised most observers, who thought they had seen it all from the Arab despots: their perversity, their brutality, their voracity. But the wider world underestimated their ferocious readiness to burn down their countries in order to cling to absolute power. Bashar al-Assad clambered to the top of this murderous class of tyrants, driving nearly half of the Syrian population into exile and executing tens of thousands of his opponents. He has set a grisly precedent, one that other Arab autocrats are sure to follow in their pursuit of absolute power.



The Crimean Tatars

From Soviet Genocide to Putin's Conquest

Brian Glyn Williams

A history of the Turkic descendants of the Golden Horde who settled in Crimea and of the vicissitudes of their persecution in the Soviet era and beyond

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Russia's annexation of Crimea in March 2014 focused the world's attention on this Black Sea Peninsula to a degree not seen since the Crimean War. In Simferopol thousands of largely Muslim Crimean Tatars clashed with pro-Russian militiamen as Moscow stoked fears of jihadi terrorism as justification for its invasion.

The key theme of this history of the Crimean Tatars is their changing relationship with their Vatan (homeland) under the Ottoman Sultans, Russian Tsars, Soviet Commissars, post-Soviet Ukrainian authorities and now Putin's Russia. Taking as his starting point the 1783 Russian conquest of the independent Tatar state known as the Crimean Khanate, Williams explains how the native population, with ethnic roots among the Goths, Kipchak Turks and Mongols, was scattered across the Ottoman Empire. He also traces the later emigration and radical transformation of this conservative tribal-religious group into a modern, politically mobilised, secular nation under Soviet rule. Stalin's genocidal deportation of the Tatars in 1944 to Uzbekistan and their return to the cherished 'Green Isle' in the 1990s are also examined. Williams' scholarly investigations are bolstered by his recent research among Tatar exiles in Uzbekistan and in squatter camps and settlements in the Crimea.

Brian Glyn Williams is Professor of Islamic History at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth.

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History / Eastern Europe

Veiled and Unveiled in Chechnya and Daghestan

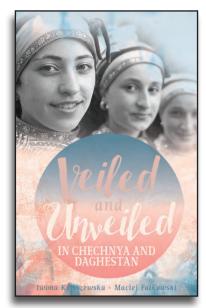
Iwona Kaliszewska and Maciej Falkowski

A remarkable account of a remarkable journey

– through and around the North Caucasus in a

period of religious and political ferment

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Offering an unflinching portrait of life in Daghestan and Chechnya, focusing on its highly segregated girls and women, this book presents the north Caucasus today through the eyes of two Poles, an anthropologist and a writer, who travelled there amid a locally rooted but newly assertive Islamic revivalism.

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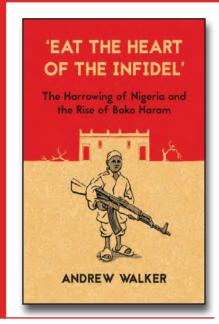
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'Eat the Heart of the Infidel'

The Harrowing of Nigeria and the Rise of Boko Haram

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Boko Haram's appetite for violence and kidnapping women has thrust them to the top of the global news agenda. In a few years, they have all but severed parts of Nigeria, Africa's most populous state and largest economy, from the hands of the government. When they speak the world sees a grimacing ranting demagogue who taunts viewers claiming he will 'eat the heart of the infidel' and calling on Nigerians to reject their corrupt democracy and return to a 'pure' form of Islam. Thousands have been slaughtered in their campaign of purification which has evolved through a bloody civil war. Civilians are trapped between the militants and the military and feel preyed upon by both.

Boko Haram did not emerge fully formed. In Northern Nigeria — which has witnessed many caliphates in the past — radical ideas flourish and strange sects are common. For decades Nigeria's politicians and oligarchs fed on the resources of a state buoyed by oil and turned public institutions into spoons for the pot. When the going was good it didn't matter. Now a new ravenous force threatens Nigeria.

Andrew Walker has been writing about Nigeria since 2006. He worked in Abuja for *The Daily Trust* and reported from there for the BBC.

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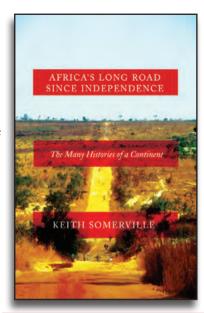
Africa's Long Road Since Independence

The Many Histories of a Continent

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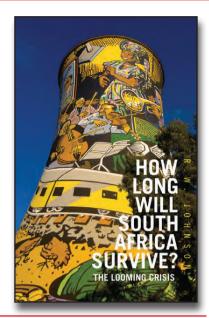
The story starts well before Ghana's 1957 independence, with the pre-colonial societies, slavery and colonial occupation. But the thrust of the book looks at Africa in the last few decades. While Somerville examines post-colonial conflicts within and between new states, he also considers the history of the peoples of Africa – their struggle for economic development in the context of harsh local environments and the economic straitjacket into which they were strapped by colonial rule. The importance of imposed or inherited structures, whether the global capitalist system, of which Africa is a subordinate part, or the artificial and often inappropriate state borders and political systems set up by colonial powers, is examined in the light of the exercise of agency by African peoples, political movements and leaders.

Keith Somerville was a journalist with the BBC World Service and BBC News for three decades, specialising in Africa. He now writes and lectures on African affairs and is Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London.

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How Long Will South Africa Survive?

The Looming Crisis

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'This book will undoubtedly be met with outrage among South Africa's political and intellectual elite. If so, it will not be because of any great deficiencies in the text, but because of the grip of ideology on the country's elite. By the same token, it will be hailed by some people in opposition circles simply because of the vigour with which it criticises not only South Africa's current government, but the entire history of the ANC since the late 1950s. as well as for its devastating critique of African nationalism more generally.' — Professor Stephen Ellis, Free University of Amsterdam, author of External Mission: The ANC in Exile, 1960-90 (Hurst, 2013)

R.W. Johnson is Emeritus Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford, and was the only South African Rhodes Scholar to return home after the fall of apartheid. He has published twelve books, scores of academic articles and innumerable articles for the international press.

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In 1977, Johnson's best-selling *How Long Will South Africa Survive?* offered a controversial and highly original analysis of the survival prospects of apartheid. Now, after more than two decades of the ANC in government, he believes the question must be posed again.

'The big question about ANC rule,' Johnson writes, 'is whether African nationalism would be able to cope with the challenges of running a modern industrial economy. Twenty years of ANC rule have shown conclusively that the party is hopelessly ill-equipped for this task. Indeed, everything suggests that South Africa under the ANC is fast slipping backward and that even the survival of South Africa as a unitary state cannot be taken for granted. The fundamental reason why the question of regime change has to be posed is that it is now clear that South Africa can either choose to have an ANC government or it can have a modern industrial economy. It cannot have both.'

Johnson's analysis is strikingly original and cogently argued. He has for several decades now been the senior international commentator on South African affairs, known for his lucid analysis and complete lack of deference towards the conventional wisdom.

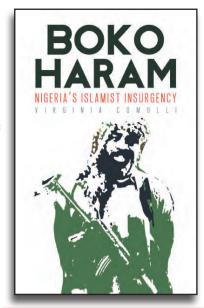
Boko Haram

Nigeria's Islamist Insurgency

Virginia Comolli

'Virginia Comolli's book, lucid and well informed, has to be considered the standard work on Boko Haram, a movement of fast-growing importance.' — Stephen Ellis, Desmond Tutu Professor, Free University, Amsterdam

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Northern and central Nigeria have been engulfed in a violent insurgency campaign waged by Jama'atu Ahlis Sunnah Lidda'awati w'al Jihad, a.k.a. 'Boko Haram', and, for a time, its splinter group 'Ansaru'. From its inception an inwardlooking, almost parochial, movement, Boko Haram, and even more so Ansaru, have now shown clear signs of regionalisation, expanding their operations across West Africa and forging links with al-Qaeda-affiliated groups. Boko Haram's stated aim is to Islamise Africa's most populous country. Like earlier Nigerian Islamist groups, of which there is a long tradition in the Sahel, the discontent prompting young Nigerians and other young West African Muslims to join the insurgency is rooted in more than just religious orthodoxy and cannot be disentangled from their economic, social and and political marginalisation.

The Federal Government's response has been a militarised one. But what is the real magnitude of the threat? What can foreign partners do to support Abuja? How effective is the current government's strategy in tackling the insurgency? And, more importantly, are the root causes of the insurgency being addressed and the foundations for a durable peace being established?

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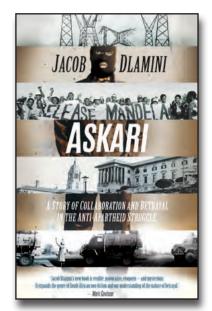
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Askari

A Story of Collaboration and Betrayal in the Anti-Apartheid Struggle

Jacob Dlamini

A beautifully written account of collaboration, complicity and remorse in apartheid South Africa

'Comrade September', of the ANC's military

wing, MK, was abducted by South African secu-

rity forces in August 1986, interrogated and tor-

tured. Soon he began to talk, betraying his ANC

comrades, and underwent changes that marked

the rest of his life: from resister to collaborator, insurgent to counter-insurgent, revolutionary to counter-revolutionary and, to his former com-

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'Askari is one of the most important, probing and virtuosic works of non-fiction published in South Africa this decade. In ambition he is rivalled by only a handful of writers; in doggedness and audacity, even fewer.' — Nick Mulgrew, The Sunday Times (SA)

cans — combatants and non-combatants — lived, rather than the black-and-white bifurcation that still dominates South Africa's politics and society.

This, then, is not a morality tale. Dlamini does not claim that the competing sides in the fight against apartheid were moral equivalents; rather

not claim that the competing sides in the fight against apartheid were moral equivalents; rather he seeks to elaborate a denser, richer and more nuanced account of South Africa's modern political history. By looking at a death squad, he attempts to understand how the apartheid bureaucracy worked; and, more importantly, to understand the social, moral and political universe in which apartheid collaborators like September lived and worked

Jacob Dlamini is currently a Visiting Fellow at Harvard University. He was formerly political editor of *Business Day* in Johannesburg.

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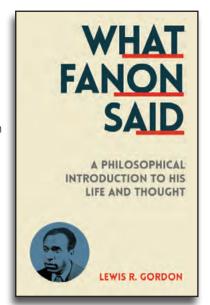
What Fanon Said

A Philosophical Introduction to His Life and Thought

Lewis R. Gordon

A fresh look at the thought of the Afro-Caribbean philosopher whose works pervade post-colonial studies, critical theory, and post-Marxism

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Anti-black racism avows reason is white while emotion, and thus supposedly unreason, is black. Challenging this notion, Gordon offers a portrait of Martinican-turned-Algerian revolutionary psychiatrist and philosopher Frantz Fanon as an exemplar of 'living thought' against forms of reason marked by colonialism and racism. Working from his own translations of the original French texts, Gordon critically engages in Fanon from dialectics, ethics, existentialism, and humanism to philosophical anthropology, phenomenology, and political theory as well as psychiatry and psychoanalysis.

Gordon takes into account scholars from across the Global South to address controversies around Fanon's writings on gender and sexuality as well as political violence and the social underclass. In doing so, he confronts the replication of a colonial and racist geography of reason, allowing theorists from the Global South to emerge as interlocutors alongside northern ones in a move that exemplifies what, Gordon argues, Fanon represented in his plea to establish newer and healthier human relationships beyond colonial paradigms.

'Imperialism leaves behind germs of rot which we must clinically detect and remove from our land but from our minds as well.' — Frantz Fanon, The Wretched of the Earth

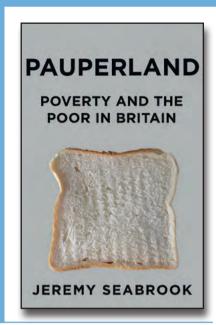
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How did this change come about, and how did the poor, rather than the rich, find themselves blamed for much that is wrong with Britain, including such scourges as crime, family breakdown and addictions? How did it become the fate of the poor to be condemned to perpetual punishment and public opprobrium, the useful scapegoat of politicians and the media? *Pauperland* charts how such attitudes were shaped by ill-conceived and ill-executed private and state intervention, and how these are likely to frame ongoing discussions of and responses to poverty in Britain.

Gaza

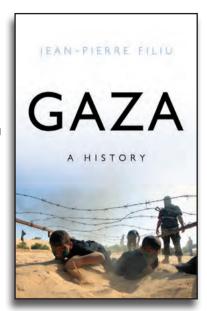
A History

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In 1948, 200,000 Palestinians sought refuge in Gaza, a marginal area neither Israel nor Egypt wanted. Palestinian nationalism grew there, and Gaza has since found itself at the heart of Palestinian history. It is in Gaza that the *fedayeen* movement arose from the ruins of Arab nationalism. It is in Gaza that the 1967 Israeli occupation was repeatedly challenged, until the outbreak of the 1987 intifada. And it is in Gaza, in 2007, that the dream of Palestinian statehood appeared to have been shattered by the split between Fatah and Hamas. The endurance of Gaza and the Palestinians make the publication of this history both timely and significant.

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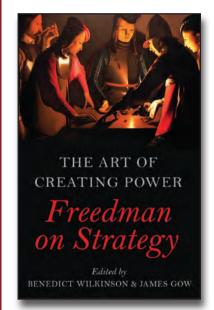
'Jean-Pierre Filiu's authoritative and well-sourced history of Gaza from earliest times to the end of 2011 fills a serious gap. Even those who know Gaza well will find much in this book to enlighten them.' — The Independent

Jean-Pierre Filiu is Professor of Middle
East Studies at Sciences-Po in Paris, and
has held visiting professorships at both
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University. His book *The Apocalypse in*Islam was awarded the main prize by the
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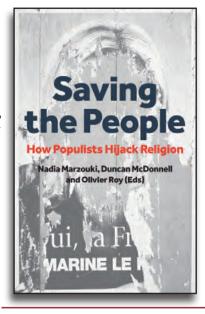
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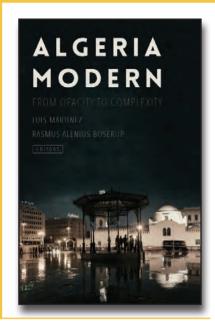
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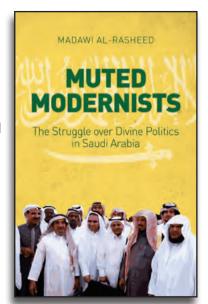
Muted Modernists

The Struggle over Divine Politics in Saudi Arabia

Madawi Al-Rasheed

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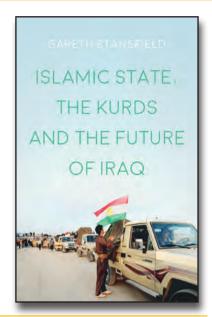
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The leadership of the Kurdistan Region responded by securing its southern boundary in 'the disputed territories' while the Kurds expanded the areas they controlled by taking the previously contested areas of Nineveh, Erbil and Kirkuk provinces — including the oilcity of Kirkuk.

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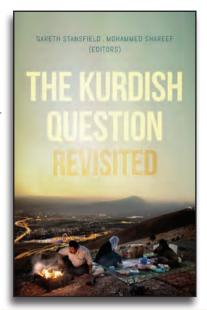
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The Kurds, once marginal in the study of the Middle East and secondary in its international relations, have moved to centre stage in recent years. In Turkey, where the Kurdish question is an issue of national significance, and in Iraq, where the gains made by the Kurdistan Regional Government have allowed it to impose its authority, moves are afoot to solve 'the Kurdish Question' once and for all. In Syria, where the Kurds have borne the brunt of the Islamic State's onslaught as they defended their three self-declared cantons of Afrin, Kobane, and Cezire, and in Iran, where they struggle to express their cultural distinctiveness and suffer disproportionately at the hands of the Islamic Republic's security and intelligence services, the picture is less positive. Yet the situations in both countries remain in flux, affected by developments in Iraq and Turkey in a manner that suggests we may have to revise the notion of the Kurds being forever divided by the boundaries of the Middle East and subsumed into the state projects of other nations.

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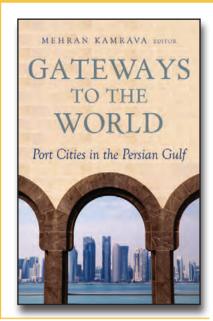
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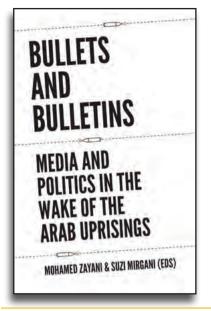
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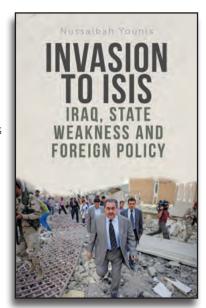
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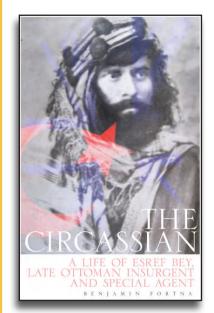
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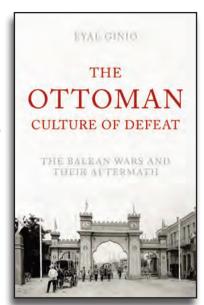
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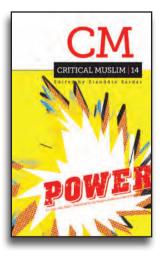
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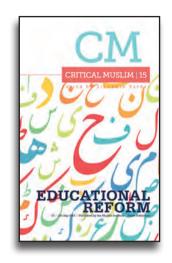
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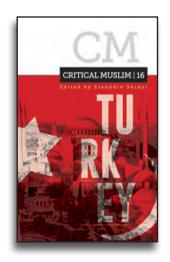
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The Turkey of today little resembles that of recent decades. Its economy has expanded hugely, new political elites have emerged, and the once powerful Kemalist military is no longer a potent and dominant political player. Meanwhile, new prosperity has had many unexpected social and political repercussions, pre-eminent among which is the advent of the Justice and Development Party (AKP), which first came to power in 2002 by downplaying its Islamist leanings and marketing itself as a centre-right party.

After several terms in office, and amid unprecedented popularity, the conduct of the AKP and its leading cadres has faced growing criticism. Turkey has yet to solve its Kurdish question, and its foreign policy is increasingly under threat as it balances relations with Iran, Israel, Iraq and Russia, to name only a few of its more demanding interlocutors. Widespread domestic protests gripped the country in 2013. The government is now perceived by many to be corrupt, unaccountable, intimidating of the press and intolerant of alternative political views and criticism. Has this once promising democracy descended into a tyranny of the majority led by a charismatic leader, Recep Tayyip Erdogan? Is Turkey more polarised now than ever in its recent history? These are among the questions posed in this timely primer on a rising economic power.

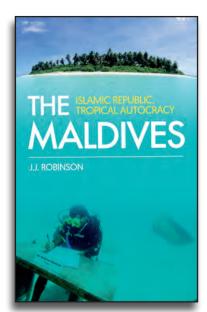
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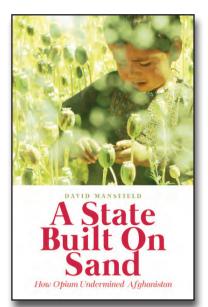
But dictatorships are hard to defeat, enduring in a country's institutions and the minds of people conditioned to autocracy over three decades. Democracy brought turmoil, protests, violence and intense political polarisation. The ousted dictatorship overthrew Nasheed's government in February 2012, supported by Islamic radicals and mutinying security forces. Amid Byzantine intrigue, the fight for democracy was just beginning.

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Variations in opium poppy production in Afghanistan had long been associated with how the state was perceived at the time of the 2001 invasion. The Taliban, for instance, had imposed a cultivation ban in 2000-1. But the international community's subsequent attempts to regulate opium poppy became intimately linked with its own state-building project, and rising levels of cultivation were cited as evidence of failure by those international donors who spearheaded development provinces like Helmand and Kandahar.

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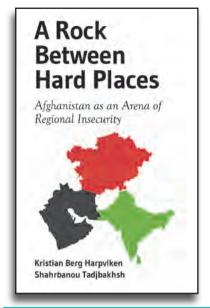
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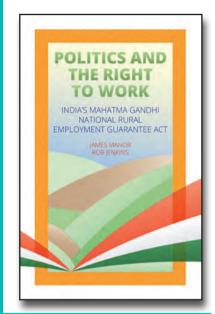
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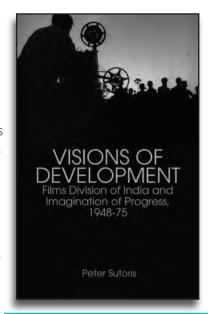
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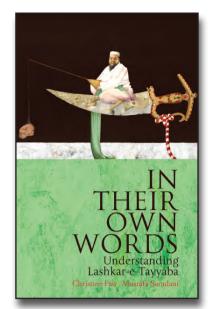
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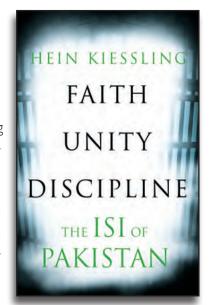
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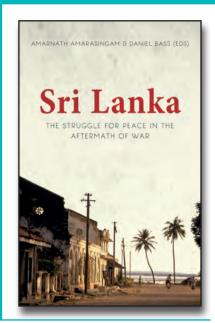
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Even though Sri Lanka's protracted civil war came to a bloody conclusion in May 2009, prospects for a sustainable peace remain uncertain. The Sri Lankan army is no longer waging military campaigns and the separatist Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) are no longer carrving out political assassinations and suicide attacks, yet structural violence continues, and has arguably intensified since the war's end. Anti-Tamil discrimination, anti-Muslim violence, and Sinhala Buddhist majoritarianism all increased in the war's aftermath, as President Mahinda Rajapakse's government invoked its military victory over the LTTE to silence any opposition. The election of Maithripala Sirisena as president in January 2015 began to alleviate some of the worst of these post-war abuses of power, but many longterm problems will take longer to solve.

This book brings together scholars in the fields of anthropology, sociology, history, law, religious studies and diaspora studies to critically engage issues such as post-war development, constitutional reform, ethnic and religious identity, transnational activism, and transitional justice. Through an interdisciplinary approach to post-war Sri Lanka, this volume examines the intractable and complex issues that continue to plague this war-torn island.

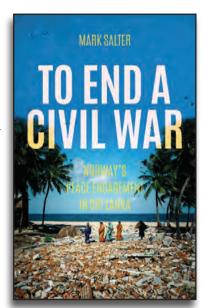
To End a Civil War

Norway's Peace Engagement in Sri Lanka

Mark Salter

A fascinating inside look at what it takes to bring irreconcilable foes to the conference table and the pressures of brokering peace in an ethnically riven society at war with itself

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Between 1983 and 2009 Sri Lanka was host to a bitter civil war fought between the Government and the Tamil Tigers, which sought the creation of an independent Tamil state.

In May 2009 came the war's violent end with the crushing defeat of the Tamil Tigers at the hands of the Sri Lanka Army. But prior to this grim finale, for some time there had been hope for a peaceful end to the conflict. Beginning with a ceasefire agreement in early 2002, for almost five years a series of peace talks between the two sides took place in locations ranging from Thailand and Japan to Norway, Germany and Switzerland.

To End a Civil War tells the story of attempts to bring peace to Sri Lanka. In particular it details how a faraway European nation — Norway — came to play a central role in efforts to end the conflict, and what its small, dedicated team of mediators did in their untiring efforts to reach what ultimately proved the elusive goal of a negotiated peace.

In doing so it fills a critical gap in our understanding of the Sri Lankan conflict. But it also illuminates a much wider problem: the intense fragility of peace processes and the extraordinary lengths to which their protagonists will go in order to secure their progress. Mark Salter is a journalist, analyst and writer. Starting out as a BBC radio journalist he has since specialised in Central

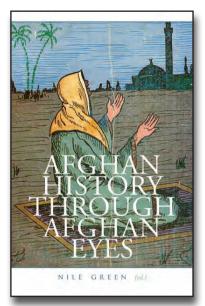
European, West African and most recently South Asian affairs. He first visited Sri Lanka in 2002, and has been a regular visitor ever since. This is his second book.

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— Mohammad Ashraf Ghani,
President of Afghanistan

Nile Green is Professor of South Asian history at UCLA and founding director of the UCLA Program on Central Asia. A specialist on the Muslim communities of South Asia and the Middle East, his research brings Islamic history into conversation with global history.

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Recent international intervention in Afghanistan has reproduced familiar versions of the Afghan national story, from repeatedly doomed invasions to perpetual fault lines of ethnic division. Yet almost no attention has been paid to the ways in which Afghans themselves have made sense of their history.

Radically questioning received ideas about how to understand Afghanistan, Afghan History Through Afghan Eyes asks how Afghan intellectuals, ideologues and ordinary people have understood their collective past. The book brings together the leading international specialists to focus on case studies of the Dari, Pashto and Uzbek histories which Afghans have produced in abundance since the formation of the Afghan state in the mid-eighteenth century. As crucial sources on Afghans' own conceptions of state, society and culture, their writings help us understand the dominant and marginal, conflicting and changing, ways in which Afghans have understood the emergence of their own society and its relationships with the wider world.

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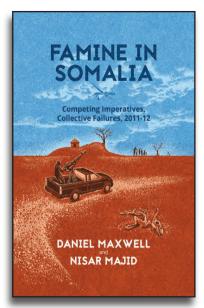
Famine in Somalia

Competing Imperatives, Collective Failures, 2011-12

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A hard-hitting analysis of an African famine: why it happened, why it need not have happened and how the securitisation of the victims hindered attempts to bring aid relief

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Some 250,000 people died in the southern Somalia famine of 2011-12, which also displaced and destroved the livelihoods of hundreds of thousands more. Yet this crisis had been predicted nearly a vear earlier. The harshest drought in Somalia's recent history coincided with a global spike in food prices, hitting this arid, import-dependent country hard. The policies of Al-Shabaab, a militant Islamist group that controlled southern Somalia, exacerbated an already difficult situation, barring most humanitarian assistance, while the government's counter-terrorism policies criminalized any aid falling into their hands. A major disaster resulted from the production and market failures precipitated by the drought and food price crisis, while the famine itself was the result of the failure to quickly respond to these events - and was thus largely human-made. This book analyses the famine: the trade-offs between competing policy priorities that led to it, the collective failure in response, and how those affected by it attempted to protect themselves and their livelihoods. It also examines the humanitarian response, including actors that had not previously been particularly visible in Somalia – from Turkey, the Middle East, and Islamic charities worldwide.

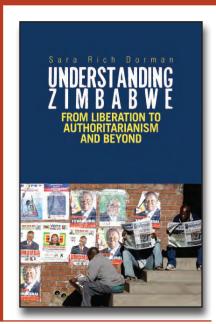
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Nisar Majid is a researcher and consultant specialising in food security transnational studies with reference to Somali populations.

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Understanding Zimbabwe

From Liberation to Authoritarianism and Beyond

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There is more to Zimbabwe than Robert Mugabe, as this book demonstrates by analysing alternative histories of the nation's politics from independence to the present

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Zimbabwe's recent history has been shaped by battles about who speaks for the nation, one fought out in struggles for control of political institutions, the media, and civil society. In her book Sara Rich Dorman examines the interactions of social groups — churches, NGOs, and political parties — from the liberation struggle, through the independence decades, as they engaged the state and ruling party. Her empirically rich account reveals how strategies of control and co-option were replicated and resisted, shaping expectations and behaviour.

Dorman tracks how the relationship between Mugabe's ruling party and activists was determined by the liberation struggle, explaining how electoral machinery, the judiciary, and other institutions of state control ensured ZANU-PF hegemony, even as other forces in Zimbabwean society demanded accountability and representation.

This is a story of ambiguity and complexity in which the state and civil society mimic and learn from each other. We learn how both structural and direct violence are deployed by the regime, but also how ad-hoc and unplanned many of their interventions really were. Even as the liberation war generation reluctantly exits the Zimbabwean political stage, their influence continues to shape interaction between citizens and the state.

Sara Rich Dorman is Lecturer in Politics, University of Edinburgh.

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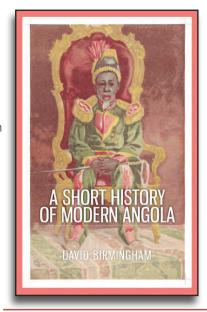
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A Short History of Modern Angola

David Birmingham

For such a vast, wealthy and important African country, Angola is woefully served in English historiography: this book seeks to remedy that omission

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This history by celebrated Africanist David Birmingham begins in 1820 with the Portuguese attempt to create a third, African, empire after the virtual loss of Asia and America. In the nineteenth century the most valuable resource extracted from Angola was agricultural labour. first as privately owned slaves and later as conscript workers. The colony was managed by a few marine officers, by several hundred white political convicts, and by a couple of thousand black Angolans who had adopted Portuguese language and culture. The hub was the harbour city of Luanda which grew in the twentieth century to be a dynamic metropolis of several million people. The export of labour was gradually replaced when an agrarian revolution enabled white Portuguese immigrants to drive black Angolan labourers to produce sugar, cotton, maize and above all coffee.

During the twentieth century this wealth was supplemented by Congo copper, by diamonds, and by off-shore oil. Although much of the countryside retained its dollar-a-day peasant economy, new wealth generated conflict which pitted white against black, north against south, coast against highland, American allies against Russian allies. The war finally ended in 2002 when national reconstruction could begin on Portuguese colonial foundations.

'A fantastic, superb book... It should draw in Africanists who are not Angola specialists and it does a good job of keeping a comparative eye out for what was happening at various points elsewhere in the world. It shows a great eye for the illuminating story but doesn't let these get in the way of a coherent overall historical narrative.' — Christopher Cramer, Professor of Development, SOAS, University of London

David Birmingham's first book, on the Portuguese conquest of Angola, was published by Oxford University Press in 1965. Since then he has written a dozen other works, including the Cambridge History of Portugal, and co-edited the three-volume History of Central Africa with Phyllis Martin. He taught in African universities and at SOAS before being appointed to the chair of modern history at the University of Kent.

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Guinea-Bissau

Micro-State to 'Narco-State'

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A feeble nation, scarred by colonialism, which it struggled heroically to defeat, now exploited by narco-traffickers, this arresting book recounts the history of an overlooked small state in West Africa

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Patrick Chabal was for many years a Professor at King's College London, latterly as Chair of African History and Politics. He wrote many key works including Amilcar Cabral: Revolutionary Leadership and People's War, Africa Works (with Jean-Pascal Daloz) and Africa: The Politics of Suffering and Smiling. He died in January 2014.

Toby Green is Lecturer in Lusophone African History and Culture at King's College London. He has written and edited many works about the history of Guinea-Bissau and the wider sub-region, most recently (as editor), *Brokers of Change: Atlantic Commerce and Cultures in Pre-Colonial Western Africa*.

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Since 1998 Guinea-Bissau has suffered a series of coups which outside analysts have linked to its emergence as West Africa's first 'narco-state'. Yet what does this mean for the country and the nature of the state in postcolonial Africa? What links Guinea-Bissau's instability with questions of wider regional and global security? What would a stable government look like in Guinea-Bissau, and what are the conditions for its achievement?

The book constitutes the first synthetic attempt to grasp the consequences of the crisis in Guinea-Bissau. It fills a void in scholarship and policy analysis with a synthesis of both what has happened in the country and the wider implications for postcolonial African nation-building. With the current crisis in Mali, and rising interest among geopolitical actors in the region's stability, the contributors offer timely reflections on the causes and consequences of instability in one of Africa's most fragile states. Together they demonstrate how the undermining of the ideological construction of post-colonial African states derives from the historical fragilities and geopolitical conflicts which are acted out there. This is also the last book that Patrick Chabal, a significant scholar in contemporary political theory related to Africa, worked on.

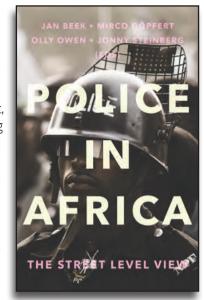
Police in Africa

The Street Level View

Edited by Jan Beek, Mirco Göpfert, Olly Owen and Jonny Steinberg

Often overlooked by journalists and scholars, the police forces of the African continents are a significant and little-studied phenomenon. This book seeks to redress that lacuna

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State police forces in Africa are a curiously neglected subject of study, even within the framework of security issues and African states. This book brings together criminologists, anthropologists, sociologists, historians, political scientists and others who have engaged with police forces across the continent and the publics with whom they interact to provide street-level perspectives from below and inside Africa's police forces. The contributors consider historical trajectories and particular configurations of police power within wider political systems, then examine the 'inside view' of police forces as state institutions - the challenges, preoccupations, professional ethics and self-perceptions of police officers - and finally look at how African police officers go about their work in terms of everyday practices and engagements with the public.

The studies span the continent, from South Africa to Sierra Leone, and illustrate similarities and differences in Anglophone, Francophone and Lusophone states, post-socialist, post-military and post-conflict contexts, and amid both centralisation and devolution of policing powers, democratic transitions and new illiberal regimes, all the while keeping a strong ethnographic focus on police officers and their work.

Jan Beek is a researcher at AFRASO, Frankfurt.

Mirco Göpfert has a PhD in anthropology from Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz.

Olly Owen is research fellow at Oxford University's Department of International Development and

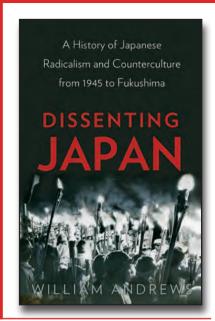
Jonny Steinberg is Associate Professor in African Criminology at Oxford University.

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Dissenting Japan

A History of Japanese Radicalism and Counterculture, from 1945 to Fukushima

William Andrews

Conformist, mute and malleable? Andrews tackles head-on this absurd caricature of Japanese society in his fascinating history of its militant sub-cultures, radical societies and well-established traditions of dissent

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Following the March 2011 Tsunami and Fukushima nuclear crisis, the media remarked with surprise on how thousands of demonstrators had flocked to the streets of Tokyo. But mass protest movements are nothing new in Japan. The post-war period experienced years of unrest and violence on both sides of the political spectrum: from demos to riots, strikes, campus occupations, factional infighting, assassinations and even international terrorism.

This is the first comprehensive history in English of political radicalism and counterculture in Japan, as well as of the artistic developments during this turbulent time. It chronicles the major events and movements from 1945 to the new flowering of protests and civil dissent in the wake of Fukushima. Introducing readers to often ignored aspects of Japanese society, it explores the fascinating ideologies and personalities on the Right and the Left, including the student movement, militant groups and communes. While some elements parallel developments in Europe and America, much of Japan's radical recent past (and present) is unique and offers valuable lessons for understanding the context to the new waves of anti-government protests the nation is currently witnessing.

William Andrews is a writer and translator in Tokyo. He has lived in Japan for ten years.

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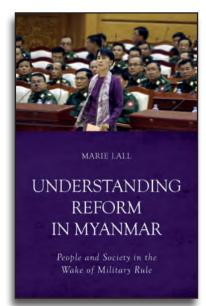
Understanding Reform in Myanmar

People and Society in the Wake of Military Rule

Marie Lall

A tough-minded reappraisal of the process by which the generals introduced political reform to Myanmar, Lall's book is unsentimental in challenging head on the orthodox view of this phenomenon

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Marie Lall's book seeks to uncover and explain the recent political and economic reforms implemented in post-military Myanmar, focussing on the key turning-points that ushered in the current transformation programme, particularly those affecting education, NGOs and social justice.

She maps the main reform priorities, explaining how they are interconnected, and what has been achieved, which amount to the first tentative steps towards 'democratisation', albeit under the umbrella of President Thein Sein's controlled and more inclusive governance.

Beyond the building site that is now Yangon, burgeoning urban car ownership and ubiquitous mobile phone use, there remains a widening gap, sharpened by inflation, between rural and urban Myanmar, at social, economic and political levels. Peasants are losing their livelihoods to development schemes that are being created to bring in foreign investment, and social justice is largely absent from the country's reform agenda.

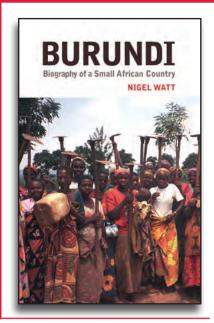
While the country has changed significantly, has the West been gulled into mistaking 'discipline-flourishing democracy' for true participatory democracy? Will the hopes of Aung San Suu Kyi coming to power in Yangon at the head of the National League for Democracy through an open and fair ballot ever be realised? These and other questions are scrutinised in this shrewd analysis of post-military Myanmar.

Marie Lall has spent many years teaching and researching in Myanmar. She is Reader in Education Policy and South Asian Studies at UCL Institute of Education.

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rundi is Rwanda's twin, a small Central African country with a complex history of ethnic tension between its Hutu and Tutsi populations that has itself experienced traumatic events, including mass killings of over 200,000 people. The country remained in a state of simmering civil war until 2004, after which Iulius Nyerere and Nelson Mandela took turns as mediators in a lengthy, and eventually successful, peace process which has endowed Burundi with new institutions, including a new constitution, that led to the election of a majority Hutu government in 2005. But there are many problems still to solve apart from ethnic tensions, above all the entrenched poverty of most Burundians, which has seen it designated by NGOs as one of the most deprived countries on earth. Nigel Watt's book discusses the troubled political fortunes of this beautiful yet disturbed country in the heart of Central Africa. He traces the origins of its political crises, sheds light on Burundi's recent history by means of interviews with leading participants and those whose lives have been affected by horrific events, and helps demystify the country's 'ethnic' divisions.

Little known in the English-speaking world, Bu-

Nigel Watt worked in Burundi for several years and was formerly Director of the Africa Centre in London.

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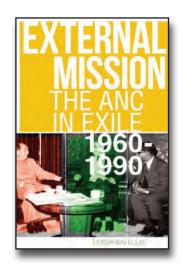
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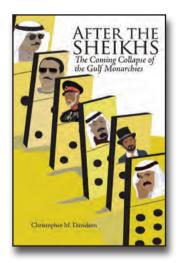
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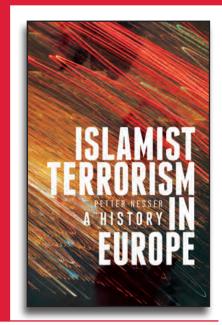
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The 2012 Toulouse and Montauban shootings and the grisly murder of Lee Rigby in Woolwich in 2013 are stark reminders of the terrorist threat posed by militant Islamist extremism in Europe. Whereas the death of Osama bin Laden and the advent of the 'Arab Spring' fed expectations that international jihadism was a spent force, Europe has faced an increase in terrorist plots over the past few years. In addition, there are growing security concerns over the fallout of the Syrian conflict, and its sizeable contingents of battle-hardened European fighters.

This book provides a comprehensive account of the rise of iihadist militancy in Europe and offers a detailed background for understanding the current and future threat. Based on a wide range of new primary sources, it traces the phenomenon back to the late 1980s, and the formation of jihadist support networks in Europe in the early 1990s. Combining analytical rigour with empirical richness, the book offers a comprehensive account of patterns of terrorist cell formation and plots between 1995 and 2012. In contrast to existing research which has emphasised social explanations, failed immigration policies and homegrown radicalism, this book highlights the entrepreneurial role of former Arab-Afghan veterans and their associated organisations and ideological agendas.

Petter Nesser is a senior research fellow with the Norwegian Defence Research Establishment (FFI). Trained in Social Science, Middle Eastern Studies and Arabic, Nesser has conducted extensive research on jihadism in Europe for more than a decade, while focusing on motivational drivers, recruitment and radicalisation processes.

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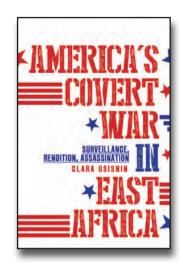
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America's Covert War in East Africa

Surveillance, Rendition, Assasination

Clara Usiskin

Clara Usiskin has spent eight years investigating the 'War on Terror' and its effects in the East and Horn of Africa, documenting hundreds of cases of rendition, secret detention and targeted killings. America's Covert War in East Africa sets out the historical background, including the early Somali jihads and British repression in colonial Kenya, through to the 1998 US Embassy Bombings in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam, and President Clinton's early rendition programme. The book then looks at the US Military's new Africa Command, with its emphasis on counterterrorism, alongside increasing use of targeted killings by security forces in the region, and continued renditions and secret detention. Finally, Usiskin investigates the shorter and longer term consequences of such intensive militarisation, and the proliferation of surveillance and other technologies of control in East Africa and its surrounding waters.



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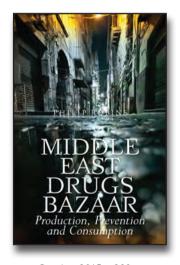
Middle East Drugs Bazaar

Production, Prevention and Consumption

Philip Robins

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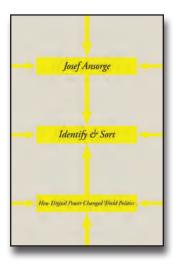
The Middle East is intimately involved in the issue of illegal drugs which affects all the countries of the region. Yet, until now, there has been precious little research on any of these issues. This book, the first in any language to focus on illicit drugs in the Middle East, will surprise many readers. 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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This book, written in an accessible and non-technical manner, tells the story of the lengthy crisis that has beset Greece and the wider Eurozone. Is it a purely economic phenomenon or something wider and deeper, as many Greeks would suggest? Are its causes to be found in the prevailing international financial environment or the economic and political system which has evolved in Greece since the early 1970s? Have many of the choices made by both domestic and international actors, such as the IMF and the EU, merely exacerbated the crisis? Most importantly, what has been the impact of the crisis on the daily lives of the country's inhabitants?

Bosnia's Paralysed Peace

Christopher Bennett

The scale of international investment in peacebuilding in Bosnia has been unprecedented. However, despite the massive international commitment in time, resources and effort, a decade and a half later Bosnia's peace is at best paralysed. War remains a risk because of the myriad of unresolved issues, zero-sum politics and incompatible positions of rival ethno-national leaders. Christopher Bennett argues that the failure of peacebuilding is the failure of the 'liberal peace model'. Policy-makers have focused on 'what should be' in terms of trying to reproduce Western liberal democracy, rather than 'what is' in Bosnia, where ethno-national security concerns remain critically important to most people. Bennett's book offers a comprehensive analysis of a stalled peace process.



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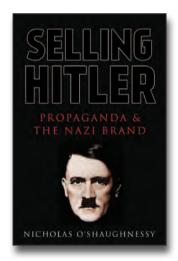
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Selling Hitler

Propaganda and the Nazi Brand

Nicholas O'Shaughnessy

Hitler was one of the few politicians who understood that persuasion was everything, deployed to anchor an entire regime in the confections of imagery, rhetoric and dramaturgy. The Nazis pursued propaganda not just as a tool, an instrument of government, but also as the totality, the raison d'être, the medium through which power itself was exercised. But, Nicholas O'Shaughnessy argues, Hitler, not Goebbels, was the prime mover in the propaganda regime of the Third Reich — its editor and first author.

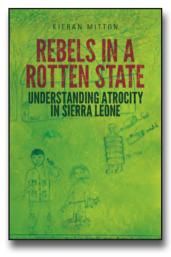


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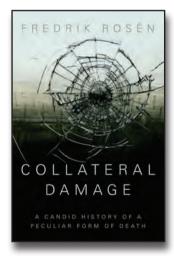
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Rebels in a Rotten State

Understanding Atrocity in Sierra Leone

Kieran Mitton

The atrocities of civil wars present us with many difficult questions. How do seemingly ordinary individuals come to commit such extraordinary acts of cruelty, often against unarmed civilians? Based on a wealth of original interviews with perpetrators of violence in Sierra Leone's civil war, this book provides a detailed response. Moving beyond the rigid bounds of political science, the author engages with sociology, psychology and social psychology, to provide a comprehensive picture of the complex individual motives behind seemingly senseless violence in Sierra Leone's war.



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A Candid History of a Peculiar Form of Death

Fredrik Rosén

This book offers a fresh perspective on a distressing consequence of conflict. Rosén explains how collateral damage is linked to ideas of authority, thereby anchoring it to the existential riddles of our individual and collective lives, and that this peculiar form of death constitutes an image of what it means to be human.

His investigation of collateral damage is notable too for how the death of non-combatants sheds light on some of today's critical challenges to war and global governance, such as the growing role of non-state actors, mercenary contractors and the impact of military privatisation.

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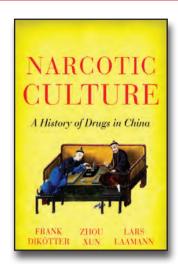
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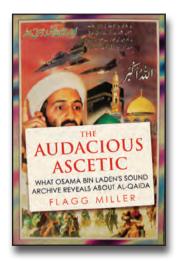
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