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This book contains a collection of research papers on accounting information systems including their strategic role in decision processes, within and between companies. An accounting system is a complex system composed of a mix of strictly interrelated elements such as data, information, human resources, IT tool, accounting models and procedures. Accounting information systems are often considered the instrument by default for accounting automation. This book aims to sketch a clear picture of the current state of AIS research, including design, acceptance and reliance, value-added decision making, interorganizational links, and process improvements. The contributions in this volume emphasize that AIS has grown into a powerful strategic tool. The book provides evidence for this observation by examining a wide range of current issues ranging from theory development in AIS to practical applications of accounting information systems. In particular it focuses on themes of growing interest in the realm of XBRL and Financial Reporting, Management Information Systems, IT/IS Audit and IT/IS Compliance. The book will be of interest to financial and managerial accountants and IT/IS practitioners, including information systems managers and consultants.

The FIRE economy – built on finance, insurance and real estate – is now the world's principal source of wealth creation. Its rise has transformed our political, economic and social landscapes, supported by a neoliberal regime that celebrates markets, profit and risk. From rising inequality and ballooning household debt to a global financial crisis and fiscal austerity, the neoliberal 'orthodoxy' has brought instability and empowered the few. Yet it remains remarkably resilient, even resurgent, in New Zealand and abroad. In 1995 Jane Kelsey set out a groundbreaking account of the neoliberal revolution in *The New Zealand Experiment*. Now she marshals an exceptional range of evidence to show how this transfer of wealth and power has been systematically embedded over three decades. Today organisations and commentators once at the vanguard of neoliberal reform, including the IMF and Financial Times journalist Martin Wolf, are warning the current model is unsustainable. A post-neoliberal era beckons. In *The FIRE Economy* Kelsey identifies the risks posed by FIRE and the barriers embedded neoliberalism presents to a progressive, post-neoliberal transformation – and urges us to act. This is a book New Zealand cannot afford to ignore.

In reaction to the recent financial crisis and corporate failures at the beginning of the millennium, the emphasis of the business community in corporate governance has shifted towards internal control and risk management issues. As a result, risk management discussion has reached an unprecedented level for academics and practitioners alike. This international, multidisciplinary book provides a comprehensive overview of the risk management landscape, encompassing its challenges and problems and taking stock of its influence on both companies and society as a whole. The eminent contributors review historical and current provisions relating to internal control and risk management in Europe and in the USA. They address the interconnected consequences of the necessity of risk management, and illustrate that a comprehensive approach needs to be further improved. The pros and cons of both the rule-based and the principle-based approaches are analysed, showing that the latter makes it more feasible for sound business practices to be combined with strategic company goals, and for the relationship between entrepreneurial risk taking and sound risk governance management to be in equilibrium. The book also presents a balanced supervision framework, which both promotes prevention of excessive risk taking and tackles risk failure.

The relationship between the United States and China will be of critical importance to the world throughout the twenty-first century. In the West China's rise is often portrayed as a threat and China seen in negative terms. This book explores the dynamics of this crucial relationship. It looks in particular at what causes an international relationship to be perceived negatively, and considers what can be done to reverse this, arguing that trust is a key factor. It goes on to discuss US and Chinese rhetoric and behaviour in three key areas – climate change, finance, and international security. The book contends that, contrary to much US rhetoric, China's actions in these areas is often much more flexible and accommodating than the US position, and that the Chinese are much more knowledgeable about, and understanding and appreciative of, the United States than vice versa.

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Words for Working ofereix una revisió actualitzada de conceptes, competències, habilitats comunicatives i recursos essencials per a l'aprenentatge i ús efectiu de l'anglès professional i acadèmic a l'entorn de l'economia i l'empresa internacional. El volum facilita als lectors el coneixement i el domini de la variació lingüística existent dins del llenguatge especialitzat (variació intercultural, geogràfica, textual, etc.), així com del seu funcionament en àrees de comunicació professional fonamentals en aquest àmbit (anglès empresarial, econòmic, financer, jurídic, etc.). El seu contingut inclou estratègies comunicatives i activitats didàctiques pràctiques tant per a la llavor professional com per a l'estudi i la investigació en anglès dins d'aquestes disciplines en el nou Espai Europeu d'Educació Superior.

Accounts being a tough practical subject, students find it difficult to keep up with the theoretical concepts and practical problems at the same time. There remains a need for the book which helps students practice ample problems on every topic and be exam ready. Keeping this in mind, the authors present Problems and Solutions in Accounting to cater to the needs of CA Intermediate students appearing for Group-I, Paper 1: Accounting as per the new syllabus scheme of ICAI. The book has been neatly organised into Sections and Sub-sections each dedicated to fundamental topics of Accounting. For easy, navigation through a chapter, the number of problems dedicated to a topic and the type of problems covered have been listed in detail at the beginning. Salient Features: ? Content is strictly aligned to the topical flow as guided by the syllabus of ICAI. ? Coverage of Questions from RTPs and MTPs of ICAI examination. ? Thoroughly updated content includes latest changes in Accounting and the Companies Act, 2013. ? Questions from previous year ICAI examinations, Revisionary Test Papers (RTPs), Mock Test Papers (MTPs), and other

professional bodies have been incorporated to provide enhanced understanding and extensive practice to the students. ? Each chapter is further subdivided in various sections to develop the concepts in a methodical manner.

The examiner-reviewed P2 Practice and Revision Kit provides invaluable guidance on how to approach the exam and contains many of the long, case study questions that you will find in the exam. Three mock exams provide you with more essential practice and marking schemes show you how the examiner awards marks.

The International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and its International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs), have acquired a central position in the practice and regulation of financial reporting around the world. As a unique instance of a private-sector body setting standards with legal force in many jurisdictions, the IASB's rise to prominence has been accompanied by vivid political debates about its governance and accountability. Similarly, the IASB's often innovative attempts to change the face of financial reporting have made it the centre of numerous controversies. This book traces the history of the IASB from its foundation as successor to the International Accounting Standards Committee (IASC), and discusses its operation, changing membership and leadership, the development of its standards, and their reception in jurisdictions around the world. The book gives particular attention to the IASB's relationships with the European Union, the United States, and Japan, as well as to the impact of the financial crisis on the IASB's work. By its in-depth coverage of the history of the IASB, the book provides essential background information that will enrich the perspective of everyone who has to deal with IFRSs or the IASB at a technical or policy-making level.

International GAAP 2020 is a comprehensive guide to interpreting and implementing International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), setting IFRS in a relevant business context, and providing insights into how complex practical issues should be resolved in the real world of global financial reporting. This book is an essential tool for anyone applying, auditing, interpreting, regulating, studying, or teaching IFRS. Written by financial reporting professionals from around the world, this guide to reporting under IFRS provides a global perspective, clearly explaining complex technical accounting issues and setting IFRS in a practical context. Numerous worked examples and hundreds of illustrations from the published financial reports of major listed companies from around the world are included. The 2020 edition has been fully revised and updated with information on the latest IFRS changes and current issues.

The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) is the global body for professional accountants. With over 100 years of providing world-class accounting and finance qualifications, the ACCA has significantly raised its international profile in recent years and now supports a BSc (Hons) in Applied Accounting and an MBA. BPP Learning Media is an ACCA Official Publisher. Paper P5 Advanced Performance Management is an optional paper at Professional level. It builds on the performance management techniques introduced in Paper F5. There is also a significant element of strategic thinking and thus P5 has links with paper P3 Business Analysis. The syllabus looks at external factors that affect the organisation's performance such as stakeholders. Internal factors are also considered including the design features of effective performance management information and monitoring systems. Ethics is introduced as a key ACCA topic. Finally, the syllabus considers the impact of current developments in management accounting and performance management on organisational performance. The P5 Revision Kit contains the pilot paper and subject-specific questions covering the syllabus, including many from past exams. The Kit is full of good advice and features to aid your question practice. Read the section on Passing P5 which is subject-specific guidance on tackling the exam. There are plenty of written questions to test your application and evaluation of knowledge at this level. The examiner likes to examine performance measures so there are several exam-standard numerical questions too. Also read the examiner's own comments on past questions as well as his own answers at the back of the Kit. BPP Learning Media is the publisher of choice for many ACCA students and tuition providers worldwide. Join them and plug into a world of expertise in ACCA exams.

Studies in Accounting and Finance: Contemporary Issues and Debates, useful for business executives, accounting and finance practitioners, researchers, and students discusses contemporary issues in accounting and finance. Topics discussed include globalization of accounting standards, accounting for financial instruments, fair value accounting, accounting for intangibles, corporate governance and accounting, accounting for social and environmental costs, accounting for employee stock option plans, obstacles to the development of high-quality accounting standards, small company reporting, accounting ethics, technology reporting, and global economic meltdown.

Question practice is essential for all papers, but particularly for P2 as it has a strong 'fear factor'. Questions look intimidating, and it is only once you get into the detail that you realise that there are easy marks on offer. Our examiner-reviewed Practice and Revision Kit gives ample opportunity to practice the long, case study questions, so important in the exam. Three mock exams provide essential exam rehearsal practice. Many questions have marking schemes, so that you can see that the examiner awards marks for these techniques.

The challenge of global hunger is now high on the agenda of governments and international policy-makers. This new work contributes to addressing that challenge, by looking at the obstacles which stand in the way of implementing a right to food in the era of globalisation. The book describes the current situation of global hunger; it considers how it relates both to the development of food systems and to the merger of the food and energy markets; and it explains how the right to food contributes to identifying solutions at the domestic and international levels. The right to food, it argues, can only be realised if governance improves at the domestic level, and if the international environment enables governments to adopt appropriate policies, for which they require a certain policy space. The essays in this book demonstrate that the current regimes of trade, investment and food aid, as well as the development of biofuels production – all of which contribute to define the international context in which states implement such reforms – should be reshaped if national efforts are to be successful. The implication is that extraterritorial human rights obligations of states (their obligations to respect the right to food beyond their national territories, for instance in their food aid, investment or trade policies), as well as the strengthening of global governance of food security (as is currently being attempted with the reform of the Committee on World Food Security in Rome), have a key role to fulfill: domestic reforms will not achieve sustainable results unless the international environment is more enabling of the efforts of governments acting individually. In this reform process, accountability both at the domestic and international level is essential if sustainable progress is to be achieved in combating global hunger.

A Core Study Text for the ATT Qualification

Presented in a question-answer format, "Problems and Solutions in Advanced Accounting for CA Intermediate" is specially designed for the students who are preparing for Group-II, Paper 5: Advanced Accounting. The content has been carefully carved out to cover the problems that are most frequently asked in examinations and are aligned to the syllabus. Care has been taken to include problems of simple as well as complex nature and solutions to most of the problems have been provided in a step-by-step manner which makes it easier for the student to understand the concepts and fetch marks. Salient Features: ? Content is strictly aligned to the topical flow as guided by the syllabus of ICAI. ? Coverage of Questions from RTPs and MTPs of ICAI examination. ? Thoroughly updated content includes latest changes in Accounting and the Companies Act, 2013. ? Questions from previous year ICAI examinations, Revisionary Test Papers (RTPs), Mock Test Papers (MTPs), and other professional bodies have been incorporated to provide enhanced understanding and extensive practice to the students. ? Each chapter is further subdivided in various sections to develop the concepts in a methodical manner.

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years and now supports a BSc (Hons) in Applied Accounting and an MBA. BPP Learning Media is an ACCA Official Publisher. Paper P6, Advanced Taxation, requires you to extend the core tax knowledge that you learnt for Paper F6. As well as widening your knowledge of the core taxes, you will need to study inheritance tax, stamp taxes and trusts for the first time. In this paper you will also be expected to comment on ethical issues. In Paper P6 all of the questions set will be scenario type questions as opposed to the purely computational questions that you met at Paper F6. The emphasis of the questions will be on the interpretation of a given situation. You may need to propose alternative strategies and compare and contrast the results. Marks will be specifically awarded in the examination for the demonstration of effective communication skills. You will also need to demonstrate that you are aware that there may be non-tax matters that should be taken into account. The important point about this paper is that you need to develop your application skills. The best way to do this is to practise as many exam standard questions as possible. BPP Learning Media's P6 FA2008 Practice and Revision kit allows you to do just this. The Practice and Revision kit is new and has been specifically written for this paper. Most of our questions are exam standard, although some are preparation questions which ease you into the topic you are studying. Questions are grouped into topic areas so that you can easily identify those that cover particular areas. Our detailed solutions often provide top tips, advice on how to approach the question or advice on gaining easy marks. There is also a reference so that you know where the topics concerned are covered in the study text. BPP Learning Media is the publisher of choice for many ACCA students and tuition providers worldwide. Join them and plug into a world of expertise in ACCA exams.

A practical guide to addressing the challenges managers face in implementing and enforcing new anti-bribery regulations The Bribery Act became the law of the land in July 2011. It abolished all existing U.K. anti-bribery laws and replaced them with a suite of new regulations decidedly different and more strenuous than what has come before. Under it companies found noncompliant will be open to billions in penalties and remediation costs, and managers will be open to prosecution if anyone associated with their company commits an offence covered by the act. As employees in nearly all departments will share responsibility for ensuring that adequate procedures are in place and enforced, there is a screaming need for practical, jargon-free guidance on the subject. This book fills that need. It arms managers and advisors with the knowledge and tools they need to implement, communicate and test controls and procedures that not only comply with but exceed the new anti-bribery requirements. It also offers priceless pointers on how to effectively react to bribery allegations if and when they occur. Packed with takeaway tips and checklists that put crucial information at readers' fingertips Written by a chartered accountant and compliance expert, the book offers practical steps managers should take to guarantee company compliance Describes best practices in anti-bribery and corruption compliance in all key business areas, including accounting, sales and marketing, management, legal, and internal auditing

CAT Paper 9 aims to develop a candidate's ability to compute the tax liability for both individuals and businesses resident in the UK. In addition, the syllabus aims to develop a candidate's understanding of the manner in which dealings must be conducted with HMRC, including knowledge of statutory timescales for claims and returns and the due dates for payment of tax liabilities. The syllabus covers the following taxes: 1. Income tax 2. Capital gains tax 3. Corporation tax 4. Value added tax 5. National Insurance contributions

This report examines the administration, expenditure, activities and achievements of the MoD during the 2008-09 financial year, as detailed in the Ministry of Defence annual report and accounts 2008-09 (ISBN 9780102962239). It continues a series of inquiries and, indeed, the Committee sees it as cause for concern that the NAO found the need to qualify the MoD's resource accounts for the third consecutive year. Whilst it is acknowledged that capability in theatre must be the Department's first concern, failing to maintain accurate and full information on personnel and to keep track of assets has the potential to threaten the long-term capability of the Department, including operational capability.

DFID is right to focus more resources on fragile states if global poverty reduction goals are to be met. However, this report highlights a number of concerns about DFID's capacity to meet this and other new policy directions set out in the 2009 White Paper (Cm. 7656, ISBN 9780101765626), based on analysis of the Department's performance in 2008-09 (the Department's annual report 2008-09 published as HC 867-I,II, ISBN 9780102962154). Climate change, another key White Paper focus area, threatens progress on poverty reduction and will hit the poorest people first and hardest. The outcome of the Copenhagen Conference in December 2009 was disappointing and real progress needs to be made before the next conference at the end of this year. The White Paper also indicates that DFID will channel more funding through multilateral organisations including the EU, the UN and the World Bank. This offers the prospect of more coordinated delivery of aid, but only if these bodies increase their effectiveness and their poverty focus. The report also argues for speedier reform of the governance of the international financial institutions. The recession has had a significant impact on developing countries. It is estimated that an additional 90 million people will be affected by poverty as a combined result of the global food, financial and fuel crises over the last few years. Donors, including the UK, have responded and have sought to identify specific needs in developing countries, though many donors are failing to meet the aid commitments they have already made.

Master's Thesis from the year 2019 in the subject Economics - Finance, grade: 1, University of Applied Sciences Wiener Neustadt (Austria), language: English, abstract: This paper examines the adaptation of the International Financial Reporting Standards 9, effective as of 1 January 2018. The introduction outlines the reasons for the amendments and the objectives of IFRS 9 which are divided into three phases. The focus of this paper is the effect of IFRS 9 on financial liabilities. While the International Accounting Standards 39 for financial liabilities are still accurate, IFRS 9 lead to a change in the fair value option. As a result, changes in the fair value which are caused by the own credit risk are booked into the other comprehensive income. This paper aims to give an overview on the relevant changes regarding IFRS 9. However, the main focus is set at the liabilities side, the classification and the measurement of financial liabilities. Although the IASB intended to create a model in order to classify financial instruments of both the asset and the liabilities side, it had to prioritise the asset side owing to the financial crisis and the demand for new regulations in 2009. Therefore, the research context considers the adjustment of the fair value option (FVO) treatment. Due to the new regulation, changes in the own credit spread or rather the creditworthiness need to be captured under the position "other comprehensive income" (OCI), which affects the net income. Unless the financial liability is designated as FVO, the subsequent measurement of the liability follows amortised cost. However, choosing the FVO implies that once the

change in the credit spread has been recorded under the OCI, the amount is not reclassified into the profit-and-loss account (P & L). In contrast to that, a reclassification is permitted within equity e.g. a financial liability designated at FVO that is derecognised. The reason for the new regulation is based on IAS 39 and the measurement of liabilities in regard to the credit spread. Although, the creditworthiness deteriorated during the financial crisis, financial institutions had to realise the increasing credit spread in the P & L as an earning and a decreasing fair value (FV) of the liability. This mixed-model approach is a reason for the volatility in P & L's and has been revised in the course of the IFRS 9.

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Everything we know about solving the world's problems is wrong. Out: Plans, experts and above all, leaders. In: Adapting - improvise rather than plan; fail, learn, and try again In this groundbreaking new book, Tim Harford shows how the world's most complex and important problems - including terrorism, climate change, poverty, innovation, and the financial crisis - can only be solved from the bottom up by rapid experimenting and adapting. From a spaceport in the Mojave Desert to the street battles of Iraq, from a blazing offshore drilling rig to everyday decisions in our business and personal lives, this is a handbook for surviving - and prospering - in our complex and ever-shifting world.

IFRSs, the standards set by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), are complex and sometimes obscure. Understanding their implications and applying them appropriately requires something special; and that is why International GAAP 2016 is the essential tool for anyone applying, auditing, interpreting, regulating, studying and teaching international financial reporting. It provides expert interpretation and practical guidance for busy professionals, and includes, in every chapter, detailed analysis of how complex financial reporting problems can be resolved appropriately and effectively. The International Financial Reporting Group of Ernst & Young includes financial reporting specialists from throughout the world. Complex technical accounting issues are explained clearly in a practical working context that enables immediate understanding of the point at issue. International GAAP 2016 is the only globally focused work on IFRSs. It is not constrained by any individual country's legislation or financial reporting regulations, and it ensures an international consistency of approach unavailable elsewhere. It shows how difficult practical issues should be approached in the complex, global world of international financial reporting, where IFRSs have become the accepted financial reporting system in more than 100 countries. This integrated approach provides a unique level of authoritative material for anyone involved in preparing, interpreting or auditing company accounts, for regulators, academic researchers and for all students of accountancy. All aspects of the detailed requirements of IFRS are dealt with on a topic-by-topic basis. Each chapter of International GAAP 2016 deals with a key area of IFRS and has a common structure for ease of use:

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- A clear exposition of the requirements of IFRS
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- Worked examples
- Extracts from real company accounts
- A full listing of the required disclosures

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- Continue to investigate the many implementation issues arising as entities adopt IFRS 9 (Financial Instruments) and IFRS 15 (Revenue from Contracts with Customers).
- Explore the complex implementation issues arising as entities adopt, in 2019, IFRS 16 (Leases).
- Include an updated chapter on the new insurance contracts standard IFRS 17 (Insurance Contracts), which reflects the recent discussions of the IASB's Transition Resource Group on implementation issues raised, proposed narrow-scope amendments to IFRS 17 intended by the IASB, and also explores other matters arising as users prepare for the adoption of this standard.
- Include an amended chapter on the revised Conceptual Framework, which was published in March 2018. The changes to the Conceptual Framework may affect the application of IFRS in situations where no standard applies to a particular transaction or event.
- Address amended standards and new interpretations issued since the preparation of the 2018 edition.
- Explain the many other initiatives that are currently being discussed by

the IASB and by the IFRS Interpretations Committee and the potential consequential changes to accounting requirements. • Provide insight on the many issues relating to the practical application of IFRS, based on the extensive experience of the book's authors in dealing with current issues.

This book presents the views of accounting educators, accounting education policy-makers, and accounting practitioners from across the world on the challenging topic of liberalising the accounting curriculum within university education.

Accounting is a relatively new subject within universities and has been absorbed into a high level of education without any real attempt to do so within the traditional ethos of a liberal arts education. In this book, the logic of teaching using the liberal arts is described and contrasted with the practical vocational training approach of teaching which has formed the foundation of accountancy courses for many years. A proposal to change this established practice, by integrating the liberal arts into the university accounting curriculum, is followed by a series of short chapters which address the relevance, validity and worthiness of the proposed approach. Comments and counter-arguments are then discussed before further chapters illustrate how the proposed change may be achieved in a variety of different contexts – ranging from that of the global financial crisis (which began in 2008) to the inclusion of ethics and sustainability within the accounting curriculum. This book will aid those teaching accounting in universities to improve the design of their accounting degree programmes by moving away from an excessive emphasis on technical skills towards a broader consideration of a liberal contextualisation of the accounting curriculum. This book was originally published as a special issue of *Accounting Education: an international journal*.

Published annually, this comprehensive study guide for the Certified Public Accountant's (CPA) Exam arms readers with detailed outlines and study guidelines, plus skill-building problems and solutions that help them to master the topics that need the most work. With timely, up-to-the-minute coverage for the computerized CPA Exam, *Wiley CPA Exam Review 2009: Regulation* covers all current AICPA content requirements in regulation as well as the latest business law legislation. CPA candidates will find everything they need in order to pass the new computerized CPA Examination.

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This proceedings volume brings together peer-reviewed papers presented at the International Conference on Information Technology and Computer Application Engineering, held 10-11 December 2014, in Hong Kong, China. Specific topics under consideration include Computational Intelligence, Computer Science and its Applications, Intelligent Information Processing and Knowledge Engineering, Intelligent Networks and Instruments, Multimedia Signal Processing and Analysis, Intelligent Computer-Aided Design Systems and other related topics. This book provides readers a state-of-the-art survey of recent innovations and research worldwide in Information Technology and Computer Application Engineering, in so-doing furthering the development and growth of these research fields, strengthening international academic cooperation and communication, and promoting the fruitful exchange of research ideas. This volume will be of interest to professionals and academics alike, serving as a broad overview of the latest advances in the dynamic field of Information Technology and Computer Application Engineering.

HELPING YOU PREPARE WITH CONFIDENCE, AVOID PITFALLS AND PASS FIRST TIME CIMA's Exam Practice Kits contain a wealth of practice exam questions and answers, focusing purely on applying what has been learned to pass the exam. Fully updated to meet the demands of the new 2010 syllabus, the range of questions covers every aspect of the course to prepare you for any exam scenario. Each solution provides an in-depth analysis of the correct answer to give a full understanding of the assessments and valuable insight on how to score top marks. - The only exam practice kits to be officially endorsed by CIMA - Written by leading CIMA examiners, markers and tutors – a source you can trust - Maps to CIMA's Learning Systems and CIMA's Learning Outcomes to enable you to study efficiently - Exam level questions with type and weightings matching the format of the exam - Fully worked model answers to facilitate learning and compare against your own practice answers - Includes summaries of key theory to strengthen understanding

This book focuses on China's future under Xi Jinping's authoritarian leadership by examining various facets of the political, economic, social and foreign policy trajectories of contemporary China. It assesses Xi Jinping's power dynamic as the 'core' leader of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and analyses the impact of Xi's signature domestic policies which demonstrate his political authority within the domestic sphere. Moreover, the book presents Xi's pro-active, assertive and action-oriented outlook as a foundation for China's diplomacy in the 'new era'. Bringing together an international set of experts in the field who explore critical facets of China under Xi Jinping that deeply influence the regional as well as the global order, the book investigates the impact of Chinese initiatives such as the grand Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and the BRICS New Development Bank (NDB). Importantly, the book illustrates US-China relations and outlines how this relationship will intensify in the post-COVID-19 era, which is poised to be one of the biggest challenges and turning points of the 'Asian Century'. Offering a timely insight into China's future and the trajectory of Xi Jinping's consolidation of power, this book will be of interest to academics in the fields of China Studies, Asian and International Politics and International Relations.

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