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Refreshing The Singapore System: Recalibrating Socio-economic Policy For The 21st Century - Terence Wai Luen Ho 2021-08-13

Singapore's rapid ascent from Third World to First since its independence in 1965 has won it acclaim as an 'economic miracle'. Economic success has been accompanied by impressive achievements in social development, as reflected in international rankings of human capital and human development. The city state's achievements are founded on a socio-economic system characterised by low tax rates, flexible labour markets, and individual 'self-reliance', with state support centred on social investment in education and public housing. Entering the 21st century, however, slowing economic growth, an ageing population, global competition, and widening income dispersion have put the Singapore System under strain. This has prompted a significant refresh of social and economic policies over the past 15-20 years. This book aims to bring the reader up to date on Singapore's socio-economic development in the first two decades of the 21st century. It looks back to the shifts in policy thinking that

have accompanied structural changes to Singapore's society and economy, taking stock of the policy innovations aimed at sustaining income growth, economic security, and social mobility. It looks around to compare Singapore's approach to those of other countries facing similar challenges, situating Singapore's experience in the wider international discourse on public policy. Finally, it looks ahead to how the Singapore System may evolve in the years to come.

Social Science Knowledge and Economic Development - Vernon W. Ruttan 2003

"The central premise of this book is that the demand for social science knowledge is derived from the demand for institutional change." -- pref.

Economic Development in the Twenty-first Century - Matthew Kofi Ocran 2019-04-27

This book uses lessons from history to help African countries take charge of their own economic development agenda. History is an

important part of Africa's economic development narrative, and Ocran investigates how the development outcomes between Africa and Western Europe became so divergent when in the early medieval period average income levels and economic development in the two regions differed only marginally. The sixteenth century marked a turning point, with the emergence of Western European mercantilism and capitalism and their associated exploitation of other countries. In understanding Africa's economic development, it is crucial to recognise that Africa has not always been poor. Examining 400 years of enslavement and colonisation, this book takes us to present day Africa and economic issues affecting the continent. With selected case studies from Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Singapore to South Korea and China, Ocran proposes ways to break out of the economic development quandary Africa currently faces.

New Institutions for Socio-Economic Development - Elena G. Popkova 2021-06-08

The strategies and practical approaches for socio-economic development are undergoing systemic changes under the influence of new developments in global economic systems and markets. The most significant factors influencing such changes are connected to the start of the Fourth Industrial Revolution (Industry 4.0), which is impacting all economic systems to a greater or lesser extent. The creation of the digital economy and transition to Industry 4.0 particularly increases the significance of hi-tech for socio-economic development. Secondly, there is now a transition underway from a period of unlimited globalization and comprehensive integration to more limited globalization and selective economic integration. The growing importance of regionalization on the global economic system is manifested in the formation and rapid development of new integration unions at the regional or country level (e.g., the EU and the EAEU), and company level (e.g., regional sectoral economic clusters, special

economic areas, technological parks, and innovative networks). Thirdly, there's an urgent need for faster innovation, which leads to the formation of more innovative economies. The global financial crisis drew attention to the problems of managing sustainability and achieving balance in socio-economic development. The formation and exponential growth of the information society, based on digital technologies, is now stimulating the growth and significance of corporate social and environmental responsibility as a prerequisite for entrepreneurial success. Thus, the paradigm of socio-economic development is changing from absolute rationality (economic effectiveness) and stability - which has historically been associated with problems of stagnation - to responsibility (limited and socially-oriented rationality) and dynamism (quick innovative development based on leading technologies). This book aims to provide a scientific substantiation for this new paradigm.

Cuban Economic and Social Development -

Jorge I. Domínguez 2012

The Cuban economy has been transformed over the course of the last decade, and these changes are now likely to accelerate. In this edited volume, prominent Cuban economists and sociologists present a clear analysis of Cuba's economic and social circumstances and suggest steps for Cuba to reactivate economic growth and improve the welfare of its citizens. These authors focus first on trade, capital inflows, exchange rates, monetary and fiscal policy, and the agricultural sector. In a second section, a multidisciplinary team of sociologists and an economist map how reforms in economic and social policies have produced declines in the social standing of some specific groups and economic mobility for others. A joint collaboration between scholars at Harvard University and in Cuba, this book includes the same editors and many of the same authors of *The Cuban Economy at the Start of the Twenty-*

First Century (edited by Jorge I. Domínguez, Omar Everleny Pérez Villanueva, and Lorena G. Barberia), which is also part of the David Rockefeller Center series.

Industry 4.0: Industrial Revolution of the 21st Century - Elena G. Popkova 2018-07-21

This book addresses a wide range of issues relating to the theoretical substantiation of the necessity of Industry 4.0, the development of the methodological tools for its analysis and evaluation, and practical solutions for effectively managing this process. It particularly focuses on solving the problem of optimizing the development of Industry 4.0 in the context of knowledge economy formation. The book presents the authors' approach to studying the process of Industry 4.0 formation in connection with knowledge economy, and approach that allows the process to be studied in connection with the existing socio-economic and technological conditions. As a result, the conclusions and recommendations could be

applied to modern economic systems and do not require any further elaboration. The presented research is based on modern economic theory scientific and methodological tools, including the tools of the theory of economic cycles, the theory of games, and the institutional economic theory. Raising awareness of the problem of Industry 4.0 formation, the book is of interest to a wide audience, including not only specialists and experts with a detailed knowledge of the topic, but also scholars, lecturers, and undergraduates of various fields of economics.

The Economic and Legal Foundations of Managing Innovative Development in Modern Economic Systems - Elena G. Popkova
2020-10-26

Innovation is of critical value in the modern global economy, as it performs several important economic functions. The first is related to supporting the sustainability of socio-economic systems, preventing the emergence of crises and, if they do occur, providing solutions to

overcome their consequences. Secondly, innovation allows for the activation of economic growth and social progress through the rationalization of economic activities. Thirdly, innovation supports the global competitiveness of economic systems, allowing for the specialization of production and sales of unique goods that are in high demand in both domestic and global markets. At the same time, innovational development in economic systems is required to mitigate the high levels of risk and requires both effective management and a reliable normative and legal foundation. This book studies the economic and legal foundations of managing the innovational development of economic systems from an interdisciplinary perspective, bringing together the thoughts of international scholars in management, economics and law.

The 21st Century from the Positions of Modern Science: Intellectual, Digital and Innovative Aspects - Elena G. Popkova

2019-11-02

These proceedings gather the best papers presented at the “10th International Scientific and Practical Conference – the 21st Century from the Positions of Modern Science: Intellectual, Digital and Innovative Aspects,” which was organized by the non-profit organization “Institute of Scientific Communications.” The conference took place on May 23–24 in Nizhny Novgorod, Russia, with support from Minin Nizhny Novgorod State Pedagogical University. The chief advantage of these proceedings are their multidisciplinary character – they include articles and empirical studies addressing various fields, including economics, the social sciences, and law. Accordingly, the target audience is broad, covering scholars, researchers, independent experts, entrepreneurs, and government workers, who are interested in issues concerning: measuring and accelerating socio-economic development; the formation and

evolution of the digital society and digital economy; the role of economic systems and economic subjects in the 21st-century technological revolution (the fourth industrial revolution); development and implementation of AI; development and application of intellectual resources in economic activities; and innovations in the economy.

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China's Population and Development in the 21st Century - 2000

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Socio-Economic Development - Adam Szirmai
2015-06-18

Taking a comparative and multidisciplinary approach, this textbook offers a non-technical introduction to the dynamics of socio-economic development and stagnation.

At the Edge - Ann Dale 2001

Ann Dale argues that hope for the future lies in sustainable development - the fundamental human imperative of the 21st century - but what is first required is a new framework for governance based on human responsibility and a recognition of the interconnectedness of human and natural systems.

Indian Economy, Agenda for the 21st Century -

Raj Kumar Sen 2002

Palahalli Ramaiya Brahmananda, b. 1926, Indian economist; contributed articles.

21st Century Foundation and Principles for Socioeconomic Development and Social Entrepreneurship - Acsw Facm Dr Richard

Corker-Caulker 2012-04-01

As the United Nation adopted Entrepreneurship for development on December 8, 2012, Churches

and states around the world cannot seem to agree how to get involved in socioeconomic development and entrepreneurship, a subject certainly bears examination. Using a qualitative approach, religious scholar, psychologist and researcher, Dr. Richard Corker-Caulker outlines the theories that have justified various social programs. He analyzes, interprets, and explains how church and state have responded to socioeconomic problems of the course of history citing concrete examples. The role of religious, political, business, educational and family institutions in economic development and entrepreneurship is examined including how religious and political institutions can develop education, constitutions, laws, program and services around human needs link to human development and prosperity for all. As you read, you'll discover

- the relationship between the divine and humanity, and how this affects socioeconomic development;
- why a relationship with God is important for

communities;

- ways to increase the chances of individual socioeconomic development;
- strategies to promote social entrepreneurship in developing nations.
- how to develop needs assessment
- how to identify natural resources and social problems for socioeconomic development and entrepreneurship
- potential for creating and starting your own job and
- how personal belief can limit or increase socioeconomic development and entrepreneurship prospect

It is possible for everyone to become financially independent while adhering to biblical and spiritual principles. The solution to human problems lies in cooperation with a higher power and a willingness to use biblical principles alongside new ideas and theories to become agents of change. With this book, you'll examine the human crisis from the context of Adam and Eve, who triggered a transgenerational problem that requires more complex responses from the church. Improve your understanding of the

divine, and take an important step to improving conditions for yourself and others with Twenty-First Century Foundation and Principles for Socioeconomic Development and Social Entrepreneurship. This book recommended for every family and institutions.

China and the Knowledge Economy - Carl J. Dahlman 2001

Annotation Argues that, in order to address the growing economic, social, and political pressures of the 21st Century, China will have to build solid foundations for a knowledge-based economy by updating the economic and institutional regime, upgrading education and learning, and building information infrastructure.

Sustainable Railway Futures - Becky P. Y. Loo 2018-02-12

Revitalizing railways as a major sustainable transport mode in modern societies faces many issues and challenges. This in-depth overview places the importance of railways in the wider

context of comprehensive sustainability, which encompasses sustainable development, social and economic equity and community livability. Some scholars have described the 21st century as a period of renaissance for railways and suggest this transport mode can fulfil people's desire for high mobility with low negative environmental, social, economic and financial impacts. In light of these new expectations for railways, in both passenger and freight transport worldwide, this book offers the latest research insights on the renewed interest about railway expansions and their wide-ranging environmental, socio-economic and even political implications.

Governance in the 21st Century - OECD 2001-04-27

This book explores some of the opportunities and risks - economic, social and technological - that decision-makers will have to address, and outlines what needs to be done to foster society's capacity to manage its future more

flexibly and with broader participation of its citizens.

What We Owe Each Other - Minouche Shafik
2021-04-27

From one of the leading policy experts of our time, an urgent rethinking of how we can better support each other to thrive. Whether we realize it or not, all of us participate in the social contract every day through mutual obligations among our family, community, place of work, and fellow citizens. Caring for others, paying taxes, and benefiting from public services define the social contract that supports and binds us together as a society. Today, however, our social contract has been broken by changing gender roles, technology, new models of work, aging, and the perils of climate change. Minouche Shafik takes us through stages of life we all experience—raising children, getting educated, falling ill, working, growing old—and shows how a reordering of our societies is possible. Drawing on evidence and examples from around the

world, she shows how every country can provide citizens with the basics to have a decent life and be able to contribute to society. But we owe each other more than this. A more generous and inclusive society would also share more risks collectively and ask everyone to contribute for as long as they can so that everyone can fulfill their potential. *What We Owe Each Other* identifies the key elements of a better social contract that recognizes our interdependencies, supports and invests more in each other, and expects more of individuals in return. Powerful, hopeful, and thought-provoking, *What We Owe Each Other* provides practical solutions to current challenges and demonstrates how we can build a better society—together.

Socialist Economic Development in the 21st Century - Alberto Gabriele 2022-03-03

Over a hundred years after the first socialist revolution broke the global monopoly of capitalism, a new class of socialist-oriented socioeconomic development is coming to the

fore. Capitalism is still dominant worldwide, although its hegemony is no longer undisputed, and humankind is now faced with a key existential challenge. This book proposes an alternative path to overcoming the worldwide crisis of globalized capitalism. It offers a novel, balanced and historically rooted interpretation of the successes and failures of socialist economic construction throughout the last century. The authors apply a multidisciplinary, holistic and purpose-based methodology to draw basic lessons from stylized facts, emerging in different areas of knowledge, ranging from political economy to biology, and from key national socioeconomic experiences, with a particular focus on China. The book is divided into three parts. The first is mainly theoretical and general in nature, identifying the major contributions bequeathed by the hard sciences to their social counterparts. Consistent with these findings, the authors offer a stylized interpretation of the contemporary state-of-the-

art of the debate on the core concepts of economic science and advance a few elementary theories about what socialism in the 21st century could look like. The second and third parts analyze and discuss the core features of a few select experiences, which have evolved in certain countries since 1917, some of which are still unfolding. The book will find an audience among academics, researchers and students in the fields of economics, political science, history, and geography, as well as, policy makers, particularly in developing countries.

Proceedings of the National Conference of the Ibadan Socio Economic Group on Development Strategies in 21st Century Nigeria - 1992

Competitive Cities in the 21st Century -

Kyeong Ae Choe 2011-10-01

Economic challenges in developing Asian countries have become more complex: urban populations are growing at great cost to the

environment, climate change has increased risks of natural disasters, and income gaps within and between developing countries are widening. These factors threaten the sustainable growth and development of urban areas, the drivers of Asia's economy. A strategic approach for inclusive growth is needed. The City Cluster Economic Development approach provides a strategic framework and a set of analytical tools, which governments, businesses, and communities can use to support the inclusive and sustainable development of competitive urban economies in Asia. Said approach was developed and tested by the Asian Development Bank to improve the basis for integrated planning and development of urban regions in Asia and the Pacific. It also elps urban managers and other city stakeholders identify action plans and determine priority investment areas.

Outsourcing and Offshoring in the 21st Century - Harbhajan S. Kehal 2006-01-01

"This book discusses the economic impacts of

outsourcing and off shoring to the developing countries and developed countries and the short term and long term implications"--Provided by publisher.

Local Economic Development in the 21st Century: Quality of Life and Sustainability -

Daphne T Greenwood 2014-12-18

Provides a comprehensive look at local economic development and public policy, placing special emphasis on quality of life and sustainability. It draws extensively on case studies, and includes both mainstream and alternative perspectives in dealing with economic growth and development issues. The contributions of economic theories and empirical research to the policy debates, and the relationship of both to quality of life and sustainability are explored and clarified.

Economic and Social Development Into the XXI Century - D. C.) Conference on Development Thinking and Practice (1996 : Washington 1997

What new directions will development take in the next century? A distinguished group of

experts on economic development debated this question in late 1996. Their views of the emerging development consensus are presented in *Economic and Social Development into the XXI Century*. The authors give special attention to developing countries in Latin America and East Asia. Analyzing the growth of certain East Asian economies, they ask what can be emulated: state-engineered industrial policies? an export push? better initial income distribution? fiscal incentives to promote corporate growth? the region's successful land reform efforts, or the commitment to better education? While agreeing that equity is a major determinant of economic success, they differ regarding how to achieve it.

The Economics of Social Determinants of Health and Health Inequalities - World Health Organization 2013

"This resource book discusses the economic arguments that could (and could not) be put forth to support the case for investing in the

social determinants of health on average and in the reduction in socially determined health inequalities. It provides an overview and introduction into how economists would approach the assessment of the economic motivation to invest in the social determinants of health and socially determined health inequities, including what the major challenges are in this assessment. It illustrates the extent to which an economic argument can be made in favour of investment in 3 major social determinants of health areas: education, social protection, and urban development and infrastructure. It describes whether education policy, social protection, and urban development, housing and transport policy can act as health policy"--

The Dynamics of Socio-Economic Development - Adam Szirmai 2005-01-20

Why are poor countries poor and rich countries rich? How are wealth and poverty related to changes in nutrition, health, life expectancy, education, population growth and politics? This

modern, non-technical 2005 introduction to development studies explores the dynamics of socio-economic development and stagnation in developing countries. Taking a quantitative and comparative approach to contemporary debates within their broader context, Szirmai examines historical, institutional, demographic, sociological, political and cultural factors. Key chapters focus on economic growth, technological change, industrialisation, agricultural development, and consider social dimensions such as population growth, health and education. Each chapter contains comparative statistics on trends from a sample of twenty-nine developing countries. This rich statistical database allows students to strengthen their understanding of comparative development experiences. Assuming no prior knowledge of economics the book is suited for use in inter-disciplinary development studies programmes as well as economics courses, and will also interest practitioners pursuing careers

in developing countries.

World Social Report 2020 - Department of Economic and Social Affairs 2020-02-14

This report examines the links between inequality and other major global trends (or megatrends), with a focus on technological change, climate change, urbanization and international migration. The analysis pays particular attention to poverty and labour market trends, as they mediate the distributional impacts of the major trends selected. It also provides policy recommendations to manage these megatrends in an equitable manner and considers the policy implications, so as to reduce inequalities and support their implementation.

The Philippine Economy - Dante B. Canlas 2001

This book contains essays that discuss major economic concerns and challenges, including the impact of globalization on the country's economy, and issues and prospects of several market-oriented policy reforms--liberalization of foreign trade, direct investment, deregulation of

industries and privatization--and their implications for the Philippine economy.
Creating 21st Century Abundance through Public Policy Innovation - William Sarni
2018-04-17

One of the greatest challenges of the 21st century is the problem of how the public and private sectors can sustain economic development, business growth, social well-being and ecosystem health in the face of accelerating demand for water, energy, and food. "Business as usual" projections of scarcity in water, energy, and food predict a lack of these resources sufficient to sustain economic and business growth as well as an adequate standard of living worldwide. Developments in technology are well documented, but this is the first book to explain the role of innovation in public policy and governance, a topic which is frequently overlooked and often frustrates developments in technology and business. Without innovation in public policy and governance, innovation in

technology solutions will face persistent headwinds for adoption. The book showcases these innovations and creates a roadmap of what needs to change to drive economic development, business growth, social wellbeing and ecosystem health in the 21st century.

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and geography, as well as, policy makers, particularly in developing countries"--
Development Economics in the Twenty-First Century - Claudia Sunna 2015-12-14
Development Economics has been identified as a homogeneous body of theory since the 1950s, concerned both with the study of development issues and with the shaping of more effective policies for less advanced economies. Development Economics in the Twenty-First Century brings together an international contributor team in order to explore the origins and evolution of development economics. This book highlights the different elements of 'high development theory' through a precise reconstruction of the different theoretical approaches that developed between the 1950s and the 1970s. These include the theory of balanced and unbalanced growth theory, the debate on international trade, the concept of dualism, dependency theory, structuralism and the analysis of poverty and institutions. The

chapters highlight the relevance and usefulness of these analyses for the contemporary theoretical debate on development issues. Comparative perspectives are explored and analysed, including those of Keynes, Hirschman, Krugman and Stiglitz. The chapters situate development economics within current debates among economists and historians of economic thought, providing a platform for future research. This book is suitable for researchers and students with an interest in Development Economics, the History of Economic development and the Economics of Developing Countries.

21st Century Technologies Promises and Perils of a Dynamic Future - OECD 1998-09-25

This book reviews the extraordinary promise of technological advances over the next twenty years or so, and assesses some of the key issues -- economic, social, environmental, ethical -- that decision-makers in government, business and society will face in the decades ahead.

Economic Growth in the 21st Century - Cody Accosi 2014-08-20

The Global Financial crisis that led to the Great Recession resulted in differing levels of economic turmoil across developed industrialised economies, with particularly acute implications for Eurozone countries where it triggered a sovereign debt crisis given their fundamental lack of economic cohesion and appropriate policy tools. This book discusses the foreign direct investment and economic growth in OECD countries. It also discusses the economic growth and self-consumption in oil producing countries; the drivers of economic growth in Latin America; financial education and economic growth; regional development strategy, market segmentation and economic growth; religion, work ethic and economic growth in modern Turkey; and being happy in uncertain economic times.

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21st Century Economics: A Reference

Handbook - Rhona C. Free 2010-05-14

Interest in economics is at an all-time high. Among the challenges facing the nation is an economy with rapidly rising unemployment, failures of major businesses and industries, and continued dependence on oil with its wildly fluctuating price. Economists have dealt with such questions for generations, but they have taken on new meaning and significance. Tackling these questions and encompassing analysis of traditional economic theory and topics as well as those that economists have only more recently addressed, *21st Century Economics: A Reference Handbook* is a must-have reference resource. Key Features Provides highly readable summaries of theory and models in key areas of micro and macroeconomics, helpful for students trying to get a "big picture" sense of the field Includes introductions to relevant theory as well as empirical evidence, useful for readers interested in learning about

economic analysis of an issue as well for students embarking on research projects Features chapters focused on cutting-edge topics with appeal for economists seeking to learn about extensions of analysis into new areas as well as new approaches Presents models in graphical format and summarizes empirical evidence in ways that do not require much background in statistics or econometrics, so as to maximize accessibility to students [PISA 21st-Century Readers Developing Literacy Skills in a Digital World](#) - OECD 2021-05-04 Literacy in the 21st century is about constructing and validating knowledge. Digital technologies have enabled the spread of all kinds of information, displacing traditional formats of usually more carefully curated information such as encyclopaedias and newspapers.

[Rural Economic Developments and Social Movements](#) - Rita Vilké 2022-05-30

Focusing on the demands of the new innovative,

sustainable and inclusive rural development paradigm, the monograph raises the discussion regarding new approaches and success factors that are vital in current rural socio-economic development and policy transformations. The bottom-up policymaking, self-organization, creative use of knowledge in rural areas, and many other rural innovations are aligned in this book with new social movements' theories, which help disclose, explore and explain the rural development paradigm shift. Rural development forces of the 21st century center on the agents of change - rural population, and, surprisingly - urban population(!), and the political debate concerning EU Common Agricultural Policy and European Green Deal, illustrated with multiple case studies. This book will be of interest to a broad audience of readers, keen on scientific, political, and practical issues of innovations in rural areas and their future development pathways. The monograph is authored by a team of scholars

from the Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Institute of Economics and Rural Development, Department of Rural Development.

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Rural People and Communities in the 21st Century - David L. Brown 2011-03-14

Rural people and communities continue to play important social, economic and environmental roles at a time in which societies are rapidly urbanizing, and the identities of local places are increasingly subsumed by flows of people, information and economic activity across global spaces. However, while the organization of rural life has been fundamentally transformed by

institutional and social changes that have occurred since the mid-twentieth century, rural people and communities have proved resilient in the face of these transformations. This book examines the causes and consequences of major social and economic changes affecting rural communities and populations during the first decades of the twenty-first century, and explores policies developed to ameliorate problems or enhance opportunities. Primarily focused on the U.S. context, while also providing international comparative discussion, the book is organized into five sections each of which explores both socio-demographic and political economic aspects of rural transformation. It features an accessible and up-to-date blend of theory and empirical analysis, with each chapter's discussion grounded in real-life situations through the use of empirical case-study materials. *Rural People and Communities in the 21st Century* is intended for advanced undergraduate and graduate courses in rural

sociology, community sociology, rural and/or

population geography, community development,
and population studies.