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With a population of 1.2 billion and nearly two decades of spectacular growth, China promises to become one of the world's largest economic powers and consumer markets in the next century. A salient feature of the contemporary Chinese economy is the significance of state intervention toward business in the form of 'preferential policies'. Thanks to these policies, a firm's location, ownership type and area of business largely determine whether it should receive privileges of disadvantages in the regulated business environment. The fast changing preferential policies have had great influence on a wide range of economic activities, including foreign direct investment. The extent, complexity and variety of these policies are bewildering to both investors and academics who study the Chinese economy. State Intervention and Business in China is a systematic study of China's preferential economic policies. Dr Lu and Dr Tang present these policies in three categories, namely, the investor-oriented, the region-oriented, and the industry-oriented policies. The authors give a clear account of policies including: preferential tax rates, state bank loans, trade protection and subsidies, and licensing schemes. The book provides the in-depth political economy analyses that reveal the sources and functions of these policies. By offering empirical observations on the impact of state intervention on regional development and economic structures, this book sheds new light on the prospects for China's economic policy making. State Intervention and Business in China will be indispensably for scholars and specialists who are interested in contemporary Chinese economy and society. It is also a valuable guide for doing business in China.

The People's Republic of China's tax policies and international obligations are as multifaceted and dynamic as they are complex, developing closely with the nation's rise to the world's fastest-growing major economy. Today, after decades of reform and the entry into the World Trade Organization, China has developed regulatory systems that enable it to provide stable administration, including a tax structure. China's main tax reform can be attributed to the enactment of the Enterprise Income Tax Law, which came into effect on January 1, 2008. Chinese tax regulations include direct taxes, indirect taxes, other taxes, and custom duties and from a collection point of view, China's tax administration adopts a very devolved system, with revenue collected and shared between different levels of government in accordance with contracts between the different levels of the tax administration system. With respect to international treaties, China has established a network of bilateral tax treaties and regional free trade agreements. This publication describes in detail China's complex tax system and policies, as well as major bilateral treaties in which China has entered into using country-by-country analysis. Lorenzo Riccardi is Tax Advisor and Certified Public Accountant specialized in international taxation. He is based in Shanghai, where he focuses on business and tax law, assisting foreign investments in East Asia. He is an auditor and an advisor for several corporate groups and he is partner and Head of Tax of the consulting firm GWA, specializing in emerging markets.

The complete book of Chinese characters that covers every aspect of, and therefore answers all the questions one might have for, these fascinating ancient language symbols from script evolution to colour-illustrated biographies including proper Stroke sequences and from the complete Compound anatomy to the trinity of Sounds, Semantics, and Synoposes. This series of books is the ultimate guide and reference for first-time learners as well as masters of the language. It is for both the teachers and self-motivated students. This is the 1st volume of the series, covering the 1st 100 most frequently used Chinese characters as presented with their full colour illustrations and arranged in columns from right to left on the front cover. For its extensive colour illustrations throughout, this book is best read with a colour screen reader.
Derived from the renowned multi-volume International Encyclopaedia of Laws, this practical analysis of sports law in China deals with the regulation of sports activity by both public authorities and private sports organizations. The growing internationalization of sports inevitably increases the weight of global regulation, yet each country maintains its own distinct regime of sports law and its own national and local sports organizations. Sports law at a national or organizational level thus gains a growing relevance in comparative law. The book describes and discusses both state-created rules and autonomous self-regulation regarding the variety of economic, social, commercial, cultural, and political aspects of sports activities. Self-regulation manifests itself in the form of by-laws, and encompasses organizational provisions, disciplinary rules, and rules of play. However, the trend towards more professionalism in sports and the growing economic, social and cultural relevance of sports have prompted an increasing reliance on legal rules adopted by public authorities. This form of regulation appears in a variety of legal areas, including criminal law, labour law, commercial law, tax law, competition law, and tort law, and may vary following a particular type or sector of sport. It is in this dual and overlapping context that such much-publicized aspects as doping, sponsoring and media, and responsibility for injuries are legally measured. This monograph fills a gap in the legal literature by giving academics, practitioners, sports organizations, and policy makers access to sports law at this specific level. Lawyers representing parties with interests in China will welcome this very useful guide, and academics and researchers will appreciate its value in the study of comparative sports law.

As the world continues to evolve in unpredictable directions, but the Portuguese economy remains predictably in permanent decline, as it has been for centuries since the fall from world first place, there is a search for explanations, solutions and answers that seem apparently nonexistent. An analysis of the past reveals numerous causes for the fall of a nation, but this study shows equally or more relevant as the observation of new emerging nations. Against this backdrop, China now presents itself as an example of good economy and society to the Portuguese, even though also in this attitude they are behind many others, which have already passed this stage and start looking for a new possibility in the future post China. The Portuguese investments in the east have been increasing in the same way as before the trade settled in the Lusophone countries like Brazil, Angola and Mozambique. But is this Chinese reality so promising? Many studies conducted in China have overlooked extremely important details that dictate the real scenario of this country. It is based on this hidden truth that this book seeks to portray what really is going on in this new world number one. Although comparing two distinct situations, of two countries also very different in dimensions, there is here further study, such as what two large empires may enable understanding. From the fall of the world longest empire, as is the case of Portugal, to the emergence of a new empire risen from the ashes and poverty, as it’s China’s situation, much there is to compare in order to achieve better predictions about markets and economics in the world scenario. Thus, this book shows itself highly relevant and necessary for businessmen and politicians of any country, seeking to establish trade and investment with China, but also for those who want to live and work in this country. This work does not hide many of the most perverse situations of this modern nation and the Chinese way of thinking towards the West, to evidence what the Chinese actually plan for the entire planet. It’s an opportunity to get to know this country deeply and what it represents for the future of humanity. This work is based on a study of more than six years, held in various cities from north to south, and consists of numerous interviews with citizens of both countries. But, still presents comparisons relative to other European and Asian countries, mainly in the area of business. This work reveals the truth hidden by the media and fantasy films about the east, beyond the legends, Chinese stories and philosophies, which represent a false image of China, which today exists hidden behind the shadow of the past.

This consolidated version of the OECD Transfer Pricing Guidelines includes the revised guidance on safe harbours adopted in 2013, as well as the recent amendments made by the Reports on Actions 8-10 and 13 of the BEPS Actions Plan and conforming changes to Chapter IX.

In the second book of the Jannah Jewels Series, the girls are caught and thrown aboard the ship of Zheng He, the famous Chinese Muslim Admiral. Caught in a lightning thunderstorm, they must sail in raging waters to retrieve a rare medicine plant. Can the Jannah Jewels escape the fiery arrows of pirates and make it safely back home?

The most thorough treatment of its subject available, this book introduces and analyses the international tax issues relating to international manufacturing and distribution activities, extending from the tax regime in the country where the manufacturing activities are located, through to regional purchase and sales companies, to the taxation of local country sales companies. The analysis includes the domestic tax laws relating to manufacturing and distribution company profits as well as international tax issues relating to income flows and the payment of dividends. Among the topics and issues analysed in depth are the following: - foreign tax credits; - taxation in the digital economy; - tax incentives; - intellectual property; - group treasury companies; - mergers and acquisitions; - leasing; - derivatives; - controlled foreign corporation provisions; - VAT and customs tariffs; - free trade agreements and customs unions; - transfer pricing; - role of tax treaties; - hedging; - related accounting issues; - deferred tax assets and liabilities; - tax risk management; - supply chain management; - depreciation allowances; and - carry-forward tax losses. The book includes descriptions of 21 country tax systems and ten detailed case studies applying the analysis to specific examples. Detailed up-to-date attention is paid to the OECD Action Plan on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) and other measures against tax avoidance. As a full-scale commentary and analysis of international taxation issues for multinational manufacturing groups - including in-depth consideration of corporate structures, tax treaties, transfer pricing, and current developments - this book is without peer. It will prove of inestimable value to all accountants, lawyers, economists, financial managers, and government officials working in international trade environments.

This dissertation consists of a philological and philosophical exploration of the Guiguzi. It establishes the sinological background of the text through a detailed contextual study and locates Guiguzi in the Chinese intellectual tradition. The
research reveals that the Book of Master Guigu conceives a comprehensive “art of persuasion” by promoting an unassuaging efficacy within an early Daoist cosmological framework. [Paperback Dissertation reprinted from the 2000 edition]

As Albert Einstein may or may not have said, “The hardest thing in the world tounderstand is the income tax.” Indeed, to follow the debate over tax reform, the interestedcitizen is forced to choose between misleading sound bites and academic treatises. Taxing Ourselvesbridges the gap between the two by discussing the key issues clearly and without a political agenda: Should the federal income tax be replaced with a flat tax or sales tax? Should it be left in placeand reformed? Can tax cuts stimulate the economy, or will higher deficits undermine any economicbenefit? Authors and tax policy experts Joel Slemrod and Jon Bakija lay out in accessible language what is known and not known about how taxes affect the economy, offer guidelines for evaluating taxsystems, and provide enough information to assess both the current income tax system and the leadingproposals to reform or replace it (including the flat tax and the consumption tax). The fourthedition of this popular guide has been extensively revised to incorporate the latest information, covering such recent developments as the Bush administration’s tax cuts (which expire in 2011) and the alternatives proposed by the President’s Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform. Slemrod andBakija provide us with the knowledge and the tools—including an invaluable voter’s guide to the taxpolicy debate—to make our own informed choices about how we should tax ourselves. Joel Slemrod isPaul W. McCracken Collegiate Professor of Business Economics and Public Policy and Director of the Office of Tax Policy Research at the University of Michigan. Jon Bakija is Associate Professor of Economics at Williams College and Visiting Associate Professor of Law at Cornell University Law School, 2007-2008. (as per authors 7/12/07)

“Drawing from decades worth of primary sources, a unique look into the Chinese government’s grand strategy and what its true foreign policy objectives mean for the United States. For more than a century, no US adversary or coalition of adversaries—not Nazi Germany, Imperial Japan, or even the Soviet Union—has ever reached sixty percent of US GDP. China is the sole exception, and it is fast emerging into a global superpower that could rival, if not eclipse, the United States. What does China want, does it have a grand strategy to achieve it, and what should the United States do about it? In The Long Game, Rush Doshi draws from a rich base of Chinese primary sources, including decades worth of party documents, leaked materials, memoirs by party leaders, as well as careful analysis of China’s conduct, to provide a history of China’s grand strategy since the end of the Cold War. Taking readers behind the Party’s closed doors, he uncovers Beijing’s long, methodical game to displace America from regional and global order through three sequential “strategies of displacement.” Doshi shows how China’s strategy is profoundly shaped by key events that change its perception of American power—the end of the Cold War, the 2008 Global Financial Crisis, the populist elections of 2016, and the coronavirus pandemic of 2020. Doshi offers a comprehensive yet “asymmetric” plan for an effective US response to the China challenge. Ironically, his proposed approach takes a page from Beijing’s strategic playbook to undermine China’s ambitions and strengthen American order without competing dollar-for-dollar, ship-for-ship, or loan-for-loan. A bold assessment of what the Chinese government’s true foreign policy objectives are, The Long Game offers valuable insight to the most important rivalry in world politics.”—Provided by publisher.

This book provides an exhaustive overview of China’s accounting standards and makes a clear comparison between Chinese and international accounting systems. It offers an essential guide to dealing with new accounting standards for business enterprises in China. The guide provides valuable support to accountants and professionals when comparing the new standards adopted in China with the corresponding principles under IAS/IFRS and appraising potential outcomes. The comparative approach together with comments and easy-to-use numerical examples allow readers to quickly grasp these accounting systems.


In 1659, a vast and unusual map of China arrived in the Bodleian Library, Oxford. It was bequeathed by John Selden, a London business lawyer, political activist, former convict, MP and the city’s first Orientalist scholar. Largely ignored, it remained in the bowels of the library, until called upon by an inquisitive reader. When Timothy Brook saw it in 2009, he realised that the Selden Map was ‘a puzzle that had to be solved’: an exceptional artefact, so unsettlingly modern-looking it could almost be a forgery. But it was genuine, and what it has to tell us is astonishing. It shows China, not cut off from the world, but a participant in the embryonic networks of global trade that fuelled the rise of Europe - and which now power China’s ascent. And it raises as many question as it answers: how did John Selden acquire it? Where did it come from? Who re-imagined the world in this way? And most importantly - what can it tell us about the world at that time? Brook, like a cartographic detective, has provided answers - including a surprising last-minute revelation of authorship. From the Gobi Desert to the Philippines, from Java to Tibet and into China itself, Brook uses the map (actually a schematic representation of China’s relation to astrological heaven) to tease out the varied elements that defined this crucial period in China’s
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There has not been anything written about U.S. Taxation matters that apply to U.S. Expats in over a decade...until now! Larry Lipsher's new book is written especially for the American taxpayer who lives and works outside of the U.S. Tax year 2010 places a whole new set of tax rules, regulations and laws into operation with two major tax acts passed by Congress and signed into law by the President. FATCA, the Foreign Accounts Tax Compliance Act will forever impact how Americans will do their banking and what they will have to report, in detail, for matters they were not required to report upon in the past. Lipsher, a popular commentator of taxes in Asia for well over a decade, writes to get laughs from a subject that usually generates far more tears than laughter. He is brief and very much to the point, concentrating upon making a boring subject as interesting as possible!

An annual text which provides suggested solutions to a series of case study type questions on taxation law.

This user-friendly book aims to summarize the principal topics of Chinese Taxation and offers readers a general overview of the Chinese Taxation and informative updates on tax changes. The book provides a variety of facts, figures, graphs and data in an easy-to-read table format. Firstly, the book proposes an introduction to taxation and to the Chinese tax system, secondly, it focuses on direct taxes, indirect taxes and other taxes and, in the end, it covers international taxation. Moreover, the book offers a quick overview of the Chinese M&A taxation and of the Chinese Free Trade Zones.

"Interesting", "practical" and "unique" are the right words for describing this grammar book. This book not only introduces the fundamental knowledge about the Chinese language but also, and more importantly, reveals the reasons behind the principles and rules, which helps learners to understand this language and apply the grammar rules well. Contents

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A guide for the overseas American tax filer, written especially for people who hate taxes.

An exploration of one of the most universal human obsessions charts the rise of longevity science from its alchemical beginnings to modern-day genetic interventions and enters the world of those whose lives are shaped by a belief in immortality. Japan's tax system, which has changed notably through periods of war, post-war reconstruction, rapid economic
development, and moderated economic growth, provides outstandingly rich material for in-depth study. In this comprehensive and incisive work, Professor Ishi makes available to English-speaking readers both a detailed description and a perceptive critique of that system. Part I introduces the system in historical and contemporary context and sets out its main features. Part II is devoted to individual income tax - the most important of Japan's taxes - and Part III covers corporate and capital taxation. In Part IV, Professor Ishi provides a detailed analysis of the structure of the indirect tax system in Japan, which proved crucial to tax reform movements in the late 1980s, while Part V discusses the significance of recent tax innovations. This fully revised third edition explores the Japanese government's latest round of tax reforms - a reaction to the country's prolonged period of recession following the collapse of the 'bubble' phenomenon in 1991. Two brand new chapters discuss the effect of environmental taxes and land tax reform, and much of the original data and empirical material has been updated. Professor Ishi's unrivalled experience, including his service on the Tax Advisory Commission (most recently as its Chairman), his activities in scholarly international public finance organizations, and his work in teaching and research, notably in the United States, Italy, and Australia, have enabled him to produce an authoritative and stimulating view of Japan's tax system. His book will be invaluable to all scholars of the theory and practice of taxation.

First published in 2017, Fighting Tax Crime - The Ten Global Principles is the first comprehensive guide to fighting tax crimes. It sets out ten essential principles covering the legal, institutional, administrative, and operational aspects necessary for developing an efficient and effective system for identifying, investigating and prosecuting tax crimes, while respecting the rights of accused taxpayers.

Aimed specifically at students, this volume contains an exposition and analysis of the present UK tax system. The second edition has been revised and updated to include reference to recent laws.

"Take Me to China" is the eighth book in the World Adventures Series which strives to introduce cultural ideas to young children. Each book is beautifully illustrated to show unique features of each particular country including customs, native plants and animals, clothing, exports, traditions and other cultural differences. The series was created by poet, Katie Kahn, and her daughter who loves animals and adventure. Kahn helped her daughter incorporate her research into a poem. That poem sparked an entire series based on places 11 year-old Autumn wants to go when she grows up.

Learn Chinese In 21 DAYS! This book contains 21 highly-informative chapters on the fundamentals of Mandarin Chinese, the most widely spoken language in the world. It is written to address the needs of travellers, entrepreneurs, and students who want to have a good grasp of the language in no time at all. This book is designed for beginners and intermediate learners of Chinese who prefer to learn at their own pace and convenience. It aims to provide self-learners an excellent foundation of the language by imparting essential grammar features, pronunciation, vocabulary, and key phrases in everyday conversations. The book starts with a few chapters on the basics of the Chinese language - pronunciation, numbers, telling time, months, days, and seasons, telling the year and date, colors, and common greetings. The succeeding chapters cover grammar topics such as parts of speech, word order, forming questions, making comparisons, and other unique features of Mandarin. Each grammar lesson is presented in a straightforward manner and features relevant examples and charts, which were carefully selected and created to enhance the learner's comprehension and appreciation of the language, as well as to shorten learning time considerably. Finally, to fast-track your learning path, the book provides vocabulary listings as well as common phrases for different occasions - introducing yourself, talking about your family, asking for directions, eating out, shopping, booking a hotel, and getting around. Here is what you will find inside: The Basics Of Mandarin Chinese The Four Tones In Mandarin Counting And Numbers Telling Time Months, Days, and Seasons Pronouns Prepositions Adverbs Adjectives Forming Sentences Asking Questions In Mandarin making Comparisons Chinese In Action Useful Phrases Vocabulary And Much, Much More Get Your Copy Right Now!

This book, a sequel to Inequality and Public Policy in China (2008), examines the evolution of inequality in China from 2002 to 2007, a period when the new 'harmonious society' development strategy was adopted under Hu Jintao and Wen Jiabao. It fills a gap in knowledge about the outcomes of this development strategy for equity and inequality. Drawing on original information collected from the recent two waves of nationwide household surveys conducted by the China Household Income Project, this book provides a detailed overview of recent trends in income inequality and cutting-edge analysis of key factors underlying such trends. Topics covered include inequality in education, changes in homeownership and the distribution of housing wealth, the evolution of the migrant labor market, disparities between public and non-public sectors, patterns of work and non-work, gender, ethnicity, and the impacts of public policies such as reforms in taxation and social welfare programs.

John Podlaski's encore Vietnam War novel brings back John ('Polack') Kowalski, the central character in 'Cherries', and introduces us to Louis ('LG') Gladwell, his irrepressible black friend. Polack and LG are a 'Salt and Pepper' team, best buddies and brothers in a way that only those who have fought side-by-side in a war can ever truly understand. The year is 1970, and the story follows the two soldiers - impressionable Detroit teenagers - during their long night in a Listening Post ('LP'), some 500 meters beyond the bunker line of the new firebase. Their assignment as a "human early warning system", is to listen for enemy activity and forewarn the base of any potential dangers. As they were new to the "Iron Triangle," and its reputation, little did they know that units before them lost dozens of soldiers in this nightly high-risk task and referred to those assigned as "bait for the enemy" and "sacrificial lambs". Sitting in the pitch black tropical jungle - with visibility at less than two feet - John's imagination takes hold throughout the agonizing night, and at times, transports him back to some of his most vivid childhood memories - innocent, but equally terrifying at the time. As kids, we instinctively run as fast as we can to escape imaginary or perceived danger, but as soldiers, men are trained to conquer their fears and
develop the confidence to stand their ground and fight. Running is not an option. In 'When Can I Stop Running?' the author juxtaposes his nightmarish hours in the bush with some of his most heart-pounding childhood escapades. Readers will relate to the humorous childish antics with amusement; military veterans will find themselves relating to both of the entertaining and compelling recollections.

Today the entire world is at our fingertips, not too long ago libraries, and the knowledge inside books were our only source. Now we can carry the entire library, and more in a tablet lighter, and smaller than a single book. We have the tendency to rely entirely on our computers as our only source of knowledge; we take for granted that there will be electrical power as needed, and spoiled by the ease and availability of Wi-Fi or Wi-MAX wherever we go connecting our devices to the world. While doing research in the field, we are sometimes at locations where power is at a premium, or does not exist at all; then you have questionable or unreliable cellphone service without reliable power those devices are useless, and inevitably start to shut down. In these situations its time to break out the pencil and paper. This book contains paranormal terminology from different fields, historical facts, people and events for research and educational purposes. ISR created this book as a handy quick pocket reference guide when doing research in the field. If you needed one book to take with you that would come in handy in the middle of nowhere, this would be that book.

This thought-provoking book explores the functions of charitable foundations in the People's Republic of China. Using both empirical fieldwork and extensive textual analysis, it examines the role of foundations in Chinese society and their relationship with the Chinese government, and provides a new, functional perspective on the role of foundations, complementing mainstream civil society and corporatist perspectives.

This is a story of the ancient philosophical beginnings of Qigong and Tai Chi development in China. It is designed as a framework for using Tai Chi/Qigong to develop the consciousness needed for a lifetime of individual self-cultivation. This cultivation leads to increased health, longevity and the possibility of enlightenment. It begins with the ancient concept of Wu Chi and flows forward to cover the emerging world of Tai Chi and all of its tenets. A must for Qigong and Tai Chi players as well as anyone wanting to know more about Taoist or Ancient Chinese Philosophy.

In the past decade, China was able to carry out economic reform without political reform, while the Soviet Union attempted the opposite strategy. How did China succeed at economic market reform without changing communist rule? Susan Shirk shows that Chinese communist political institutions are more flexible and less centralized than their Soviet counterparts were. Shirk pioneers a rational choice institutional approach to analyze policy-making in a non-democratic authoritarian country and to explain the history of Chinese market reforms from 1979 to the present. Drawing on extensive interviews with high-level Chinese officials, she pieces together detailed histories of economic reform policy decisions and shows how the political logic of Chinese communist institutions shaped those decisions. Combining theoretical ambition with the flavor of on-the-ground policy-making in Beijing, this book is a major contribution to the study of reform in China and other communist countries.

Der Autor stellt in diesem Werk die Besteuerung deutscher Investitionsaktivitäten in China umfassend dar und entwickelt daraus steuerliche Gestaltungsstrategien, insbesondere für die Besteuerung von Betriebsstätten, Kapital- und Personengesellschaften. Er bietet damit eine wichtige Orientierungshilfe im Hinblick auf die substantiellen Änderungen der steuerlichen Rahmenbedingungen für deutsche Unternehmen der letzten Jahre, insbesondere durch das neue deutsch-chinesische Doppelbesteuerungsabkommen, die Reform der chinesischen Verrechnungspreisvorschriften und die Vereinheitlichung des chinesischen Umsatzsteuermanagements.

It is the early 1990s and Zhou Haonan, an innocent young man from a rural family in China's West Canton Province, travels to the "golden city" of Shenzhen to seek his fortune. Kind and caring but highly ambitious, he works as an international businessman, becomes a Sanda boxing champion and even sells his blood as he spends the next 20 years striving desperately to achieve his dream of a Shenzhen permanent residence permit and a home of his own. Despite a string of humiliating failures and disasters and cruel treatment by the women who enter his life, he somehow manages to get back on his feet and carry on through all the setbacks which life throws at him. The Road to Shenzhen is one of very few novels ever to be written in English by a Chinese author who has lived all his life in China.

The Master Tax Guide, New Zealand's most popular tax handbook, contains practical examples and concise summaries of legislation, cases and IRD rulings and statements affecting the 2012/2013 and future tax years. The commentary is concise and easy to read. The new edition also includes discussion of various proposals introduced under the Taxation (Livestock Valuation, Assets Expenditure and Remedial Matters) Bill, including: proposed mixed use asset rules; new calculation methods for some foreign currency hedging; GST changes, including a new zero-rating rule; further livestock valuation changes.

China is at a critical juncture in its economic transformation as it tries to rebalance what is generally seen as an exhausted growth model. A unifying theme across the reforms that will deliver this transformation is that it can no longer be achieved by raising the amount of physical investment and government direction of resource allocation. Instead China is building a new set of policy frameworks that will allow markets to function more effectively—not unfettered markets, but markets that work efficiently, in line with broad social and other policy goals, and in a sustainable way. Hence, China is now building a new soft infrastructure, that is, the institutional plumbing that underpins and guides the functioning of markets as the key organizing principle toward achieving sustained economic and social progress. Against this background, this volume provides policymakers, academics, and students with valuable information about policies and institutions in China today.
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It also looks at the road ahead and key principles that can help China in navigating it. The book focuses on issues crucial in the country’s transformation, such as tax policy and administration, social security, state-owned enterprise reform, medium-term expenditure frameworks, the role of local government finances, capital account liberalization, and renminbi internationalization. As China moves toward a more price-based allocation of resources, strengthening monetary policy frameworks and financial sector regulation will be particularly important in channeling resources to the most productive sectors and minimizing the risks of financial sector stress. Also, upgrading statistical frameworks will be critical for macroeconomic policymaking and investors. Visit: http://www.elibrary.imf.org/page/modernizing-china

The Macao Master Tax Guide 2015/2016 offers a thorough discussion on Macao taxation law for taxpayers, practitioners and students. The book explores the main direct taxes (i.e. complementary tax, professional tax and property tax), and indirect taxes in Macao (including tourism tax, stamp duty and excise tax), and topics like tax liability obligations, and other procedural matters are detailed in the process. The Guide fulfills a valuable commercial need in assessing the start-up and ongoing taxation status of these companies, including registration and filing obligations. In addition to the continuation of tax exemptions previously introduced, the Macao SAR Government also brought new temporary exemptions and tax incentives into operation. Like previous editions, these exemptions are accompanied by worked examples to illustrate their operation. Since 2002, as a stimulus to attract more businesses to invest in Macao, the Macao SAR Government announced a series of preferential tax treatments and incentives have been granted and published at the end of each year. The latest preferential tax treatments and incentives granted by the Macao SAR Government have been highlighted. Key Features: In addition to the continuation of tax exemptions previously introduced, the Macao SAR Government also brought new temporary exemptions and tax incentives into operation. Like previous editions, these exemptions are accompanied by worked examples to illustrate their operation. As all tax laws in Macao are stated in Chinese and Portuguese, the Macao Master Tax Guide 2015/2016 is the first comprehensive English version of the taxation landscape in Macao. The Macao Master Tax Guide 2015/16 is updated by Ernst & Young as the Consultant Author. Examines the main types of direct taxes (including complementary tax, professional tax, property tax) and indirect taxes (including stamp duty, tourism tax, excise tax) imposed in Macao Other information, such as the business environment and infrastructure of Macao, setting up a business in Macao, are covered Covers the latest tax incentives following the annual budget announcements Covers the latest change on the motor vehicle tax.

To explore what extended competition between the United States and China might entail out to 2050, the authors of this report identified and characterized China’s grand strategy, analyzed its component national strategies (diplomacy, economics, science and technology, and military affairs), and assessed how successful China might be at implementing these over the next three decades.

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