P. Blanchard, F. Bühlmann, J.-A. Gauthier, University of Lausanne, Lausanne, Austria (Eds)

Advances in Sequence Analysis: Theory, Method, Applications

Contents
V. Giorgino, University of Torino, Turin, Italy

The Pursuit of Happiness and the Traditions of Wisdom

This book presents a discussion of happiness that takes the shape of a dialogue between contemplative knowledge and practice or the wisdom traditions and the social sciences. It examines the different definitions of happiness in relation to wisdom traditions and the impact of these traditions on current research. It explores topics such as the pursuit of a good life, the pursuit of eudaimonia and the meaning of happiness and well-being from the perspective of the social sciences.

Features
► Offers a multidisciplinary reflection on a central and fundamental issue in life
► Illustrates viable and empirically grounded theories
► Reflects the astonishing increase of research on happiness and well-being

Contents

Fields of interest
Quality of Life Research; Positive Psychology; Economics general

Target groups
Research

Product category
Brief

A Shrinking Society
Post-Demographic Transition in Japan

This is the book to focus on a new phenomenon emerging in the twenty-first century: the rapidly aging and decreasing population of a well-developed country, namely, Japan. The meaning of this phenomenon has been successfully clarified as the possible historical consequence of the demographic transition from high birth and death rates to low ones. Japan has entered the post-demographic transitional phase and will be the fastest-shrinking society in the world, leading other Asian countries that are experiencing the same drastic changes.

Features
► Focuses on Japan as a shrinking society, a new phenomenon emerging in the twenty-first century
► Clarifies the historical background of the aging and decline of Japan's population in the context of demographic transition
► Discusses the demographics of the sustainability of Japanese society in relation to national finances, social security reform, family policies, immigration policies and community polices

Contents

Fields of interest
Demography; Family; Social Policy

Target groups
Research

Product category
Brief

Contemporary Turkey at a Glance
Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Local and Translocal Dynamics

Turkey has witnessed significant social, cultural, and political change over the last decades. This transformation has manifested itself in all segments of society and resulted in the alteration of political ideologies and institutions. The twelve authors of this volume shed light on the complexities of a changing Turkey through an interdisciplinary perspective. Their application of novel conceptual approaches and methodologies make this book a unique contribution to the study of modern Turkey.

Features
► In-depth focus on the most recent key issues in contemporary Turkish Studies
► Presentation of innovative research approaches to the field of Turkish Studies
► Snapshots of contemporary Turkish Studies in Europe from an interdisciplinary perspective

Contents
Appropriating the Past.- Challenging Authority: Public Contention and Identity Negotiation.- Translocal Dynamics

Fields of interest
Cultural Studies; Social Structure, Social Inequality; Sociology, general

Target groups
Professional/practitioner

Product category
Monograph
Britannia 1066-1884
From Medieval Absolutism to the Birth of Freedom under Constitutional Monarchy, Limited Suffrage, and the Rule of Law

Features
- Analyses the eight hundred year history of political turmoil in Britannia
- History of Britannia 1066-1884 application of analytical tools not readily available to historians
- Focuses on relevant political and economic philosophy and freedom rather than equality as the mainstream of political ferment

Contents
- The Stuart and the Cromwell Doom: The Hinge of Fate for Absolutist Autocrats, 1603-1688.
- The Seventeenth Century Philosophical Divide: Unity versus Liberty.
- The Zenith of Classical Liberal Philosophy in Britannia: From the Scottish Enlightenment to John Stuart Mill.

Fields of interest
- Political Communication; Computer Appl. in Social and Behavioral Sciences; Public Administration

Target groups
- Research

Product category
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Social Sciences
N. Schrod, Vienna, Austria

Modern Turkey and the Armenian Genocide

An Argument About the Meaning of the Past

A number of highly informative books have been written about what is often called the "Armenian Genocide". This book, written by a political scientist, offers a different approach: It doesn't concentrate on the past; it concentrates on the present, and shows how this past event is perceived and discussed today. The idea is that the arguments deployed in this debate, those which allege that what happened amounts to genocide and those which deny this claim reveal something about cognitive structures of present agents, such as the Turkish government, as well as about the meaning and use of the term "genocide". Analyzing current positions and communication on this historical event thereby helps to illuminate present notions of identity, justice and interethnic coexistence.

Features
► Presents a new approach to read and interpret this historical controversy
► Re-evaluates the concept of genocide from constructivist perspective
► Reflects on present notions of justice and interethnic coexistence

Contents

Fields of interest
International Relations; Cultural Studies; Political Communication

Target groups
Research

Product category
Monograph

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The 'Ndrangheta and Sacra Corona Unita

The History, Organization and Operations of Two Unknown Mafia Groups

This book covers two lesser known but important members of the Italian Mafia: the 'Ndrangheta and the Sacra Corona Unita. Italian criminal organizations, in particular Mafia, are one of the most commonly researched organized crime groups, usually focusing on the Sicilian Mafia, Cosa Nostra, or the Neapolitan Mafia, Camorra. However, Italy has other two other Mafias, one in Apulia, Sacra Corona Unita, and the other in Calabria, 'Ndrangheta. Although an extensive literature is available on Cosa Nostra and Camorra, less is known about the other two organizations, particularly their operations in the United States.

Features
► Provides insight into two lesser-known mafia groups with international implications
► Explores a methodology for studying these groups that is applicable for understanding other organized crime networks
► Includes a full picture of the scope of Italian mafia reach within Italy, the United States, and globally

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Field of interest
Criminology & Criminal Justice

Target groups
Research

Product category
Contributed volume

D. Smith, M. Lommerse, P. Metcalfe, Curtin University, Perth, WA, Australia (Eds)

Perspectives on Social Sustainability and Interior Architecture

Life from the Inside

Contents

Fields of interest
Social Structure, Social Inequality; Sustainable Development; Interior Architecture and Design

Target groups
Research

Product category
Contributed volume

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**M. A. Tomlan**, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA

**Historic Preservation**

**Caring for Our Expanding Legacy**

This book offers an up-to-date synthesis of the field of historic preservation, cast as a social campaign concerned with the condition, treatment and use of the legacy of existing properties in the United States. It explores topics, such as preservation economics and finance, context and design, ethics and advocacy, and the importance of religious activities in our cultural understandings, some of which are generally given short shrift or ignored almost completely. Drawing on a wide range of research, experience and scholarship over the last fifty years, it allows us to re-think past and current ideas in preservation, challenging readers to explore how their own interests lie within the cognitive framework of the activities taking place with people who care.

**Features**

► Provides a current picture of historic preservation  
► Explores topics such as preservation economics and finance, ethics and advocacy and religious activities  
► Displays the accomplishments of preservation projects throughout the country

**Contents**


**Fields of interest**

Archaeology; Cultural Heritage; Landscape/Regional and Urban Planning

**Target groups**

Research

**Product category**

Monograph

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**J. Zhang**, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, People's Republic of China; **H. Duncan**, Carleton University, Ottawa, ON, Canada (Eds)

**Migration in China and Asia**

**Experience and Policy**

**Contents**

1. Introduction: Zhang Jijiao, Howard Duncan.


5: International Migration and Marriage: Socio-cultural Consequences of International Marriages in Korea: Emergence of Multiculturalism?: Hyup Choi.


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10: Old and New Chinese Organizations in Suriname (Paul B. Tjon Sie Fat).

11: The Localisation Strategies of Chinese Immigrants in Belgium – A Typological Study: Li-chuan Liuhuang.


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**Fields of interest**

Migration; Sociology, general; Social Work

**Target groups**

Research

**Product category**

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