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Virtual Gender Sep 24 2020 Explores notions of gender fantasy across time and culture, expanding the concept of virtuality to include people and events in history

Multimedia ' 96Nov 26 2020 In the last few years multimedia hardware and applications have become widely available on PC and workstations. Moreover, through the tremendous development and the wide usage of the World Wide Web multimedia applications have been brought over the network to many people. This book presents the results of the fourth in a well established series of international workshops on Multimedia organized by the EUROGRAPHICS Association, and held from May 28 to 30, 1996, in Rostock, Germany. The workshop had the special topic Multimedia on the Net and was the follow up of the EUROGRAPHICS Symposium and Workshop on Multimedia held in Graz in June 1994. The workshop program consisted of an invited keynote speech and five technical sessions. The fifteen contributions selected for this volume treat topics of particular interest in current research and address actual problems of the use of multimedia in distributed applications over the network. According to the technical sessions they can be roughly structured in the parts concepts for handling multimedia data, still and motion pictures on the net, WWW and multimedia, collaborative multimedia, and multimedia and education. Concepts for handling multimedia data are addressed in two contributions. The first treats a frame based presentation model for distributed information systems (Kirste), the other one presents a temporal logic formalism for specifying navigational transformation in hypermedia applications (Mere et al.).

Genetic Aberrancies and Neurodegenerative Disorders Jan 29 2021 Genetic Aberrancies and Neurodegenerative Disorders presents critical reviews and emerging findings concerning the roles of genetic mutations and polymorphisms in the pathogenesis of a range of neurological disorders including Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases, trinucleotide repeat disorders, stroke, epilepsy and others. This volume, written by leading experts, brings together fundamental information concerning the roles of inherited traits in the pathogenesis of different neurodegenerative disorders. In addition to providing a catalogue of the known genetic alterations that are linked to specific neurodegenerative disorders, the chapters detail the current state of understanding of the cellular and biochemical mechanisms whereby the genetic aberrancies lead to neuronal dysfunction and degeneration. The emerging picture of each disorder, painted by pathological, biochemical and molecular brushes, suggests that they share key mechanisms including increased levels of oxidative stress, perturbed ion homeostasis, mitochondrial dysfunction and apoptotic proteolytic cascades. The existence of specific molecular defects provides the opportunity to design experiments that can establish the precise pathogenic mechanism of a specific mutation or genetic risk factor. The value of this approach is exemplified by recent studies of how mutations in Cu/Zn-superoxide dismutase cause amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and how presenilin mutations result in early-onset Alzheimer's disease. A theme developed among the different chapters is that events that occur during aging predispose neurons to genetic aberrancies that promote degenerative cascades, and that specific genetic defects exert their influence on particular populations of neurons in a disorder-specific manner. The chapters in this volume will stimulate readers to generate new hypotheses concerning the pathogenic mechanisms of genetic aberrancies that can be experimentally tested.

Census Catalog and Guide May 21 2020 Includes subject area sections that describe all pertinent census data products available, i.e. "Business--trade and services", "Geography", "Transportation," etc.

FCC Record Jul 23 2020

Public Discourses About Homosexuality and Religion in Europe and Beyond May 13 2022 This volume addresses three things many people do not discuss candidly with strangers or mere acquaintances: God, sex, and politics. These can easily become topics of fierce debate, particularly when taken together, as has been the case with same-sex marriage legislation, the Vatican ' s criticism of " gender ideology, " or the repeatedly asserted claim that Islam, homosexuality, and gender equality are essentially incompatible. This volume investigates what is at stake in these constructions of religion and homosexuality in public discourses. Starting with the Netherlands as a special case study, it proceeds with contributions on other predominantly postsecular countries in central, northern, and southern Europe as well as several postcommunist and postcolonial countries " beyond Europe. " Combining contemporary and historical perspectives and approaches from both the humanities and the social sciences, the contributors explore how national and European identities are constructed and contested in debates on religion and homosexuality. Chapter 2 and Chapter 8 of this book are available open access under a CC BY 4.0 license at [link.springer.com](http://link.springer.com).

Political Assassins, Terrorists and Related Conspiracies in American History Jun 14 2022 Political assassinations and terrorism have both outraged and fascinated the public throughout American history, particularly in the modern era. Providing biographical summaries of more than 100 assassins and terrorists, this book aims at a more complete understanding of the motivations behind violent extremism. The lives of the

subjects are analyzed with a focus on psychological and ideological factors, along with details of investigations and criminal trials. Conspiracy theories are evaluated for credibility. Social media features prominently in explaining political violence by members of extremist groups in the 21st century, including radical Islamic terrorists, anti-abortion activists and white supremacists.

Minerals Yearbook Nov 19 2022

Proceedings of the ... Annual Federal Depository Library Conference Sep 17 2022

In the Name of Security Secrecy, Surveillance and Journalism

Mar 31 2021 The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York on 11 September 2001 saw the start of the so-called war on terror. The aim of ' In the Name of Security – Secrecy, Surveillance and Journalism ' is to assess the impact of surveillance and other security measures on in-depth public interest journalism. How has the global fear-driven security paradigm sparked by 11 September affected journalism? At the core of the book sits what the authors have labeled the ' trust us dilemma ' . Governments justify passing, at times, oppressive and far-reaching anti-terror laws to keep citizens safe from terror. By doing so governments are asking the public to trust their good intentions and the integrity of the security agencies. But how can the public decide to trust the government and its agencies if it does not have access to information on which to base its decision? ' In the Name of Security – Secrecy, Surveillance and Journalism ' takes an internationally comparative approach using case studies from the powerful intelligence-sharing group known as the Five Eyes consisting of the US, Canada, the UK, Australia and New Zealand. Chapters assessing a selection of EU countries and some of the BRICS countries provide additional and important points of comparison to the English-speaking countries that make up the Five Eyes.

Programming Mathematics Using MATLAB Nov 14 2019

Providing an alternative to engineering-focused resources in the area, Programming Mathematics Using MATLAB® introduces the basics of programming and of using MATLAB® by highlighting many mathematical examples. Emphasizing mathematical concepts through the visualization of programming throughout the book, this useful resource utilizes examples that may be familiar to math students (such as numerical integration) and others that may be new (such as fractals). Additionally, the text uniquely offers a variety of MATLAB® projects, all of which have been class-tested thoroughly, and which enable students to put MATLAB® programming into practice while expanding their comprehension of concepts such as Taylor polynomials and the Gram – Schmidt process. Programming Mathematics Using MATLAB® is appropriate for readers familiar with sophomore-level mathematics (vectors, matrices, multivariable calculus), and is useful for math courses focused on MATLAB® specifically and those focused on mathematical concepts which seek to utilize MATLAB® in the classroom. Provides useful visual examples throughout for student comprehension Includes valuable, class-tested projects to reinforce both familiarity with MATLAB® and a deeper understanding of mathematical principles Offers downloadable MATLAB® scripts to supplement practice and provide useful example

Diplomatic Interference and the Law Dec 16 2019 Diplomatic interference carries considerable potential for disruption. In this context, diplomats have been accused of insulting behaviour, the funding of political parties, incitement to terrorism and even attempts to topple the host government. Reactions can be harsh: expulsions are common and, occasionally, diplomatic relations are severed altogether. But an evaluation under international law faces challenges. Often enough, charges of interference are made when legitimate interests are involved – for instance, when diplomats criticise the human rights record of their hosts.

In such cases, diplomats may be able to invoke grounds which are recognised under international law. On the basis of more than 300 cases of alleged diplomatic interference and the practice of about 100 States and territories, *Diplomatic Interference and the Law* provides an examination of the main areas in which charges of meddling have arisen – such as lobbying activities, contacts with the opposition, propaganda, the use of threats and insults and the granting of asylum. It analyses situations in which the sovereignty of the receiving State meets competing interests and offers solutions which avoid a conflict of norms. It concludes with useful advice for foreign offices and diplomatic agents and underlines the most efficient ways of dealing with situations of alleged interference. "A book that is here to stay! It is essential reading for diplomats, academics, journalists, students and everyone who has an interest in international law and justice. Based on rigorous research, Paul Behrens' book offers new and thoughtful perspectives on the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations which we drafted in 1961. It demonstrates just how important it is to have a lawyer of his impartiality and integrity if we want to reach peaceful and lasting solutions in international relations. *Diplomatic Interference and the Law* has the makings of an instant classic, and I have no doubt that it will pave the way for the sorely needed reform of diplomatic law."

Dr Nelson Iriñiz Casás, Vice President of the Committee of the Whole of the Vienna Conference on Diplomatic Relations in 1961; former Head of the diplomatic missions of Uruguay to Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hong Kong, Denmark and Sweden; author of *Corrupción en la ONU*. "Dr Behrens's book rigorously analyses the legal doctrine of non-interference by diplomats in their hosts' internal affairs, and how it may conflict with legal obligations to combat, for example, denial of self-determination and breaches of human rights. Exhaustively researched and in accessible language, with copious, often entertaining examples,

it will be an indispensable guide for diplomats. "Behrens on diplomatic interference" will be cited as the definitive authority on the matter for the foreseeable future. I recommend this book to diplomats, lawyers and the general reader: they will all read and refer to it with profit and immense pleasure." Sir Brian Barder KCMG, BA (Cantab.), is a former British ambassador to Ethiopia, Bénin and Poland and High Commissioner to Nigeria and Australia. "Paul Behrens' book breaks new ground. It is the first study to focus on the vexed question of diplomatic 'meddling' in the domestic affairs of the receiving State. It has heightened topicality as many Western governments in their concern to promote human rights and democracy urge their diplomats to be active in their support of civil society, particularly in countries with authoritarian governments. This book is replete with case studies covering the 50 years since the signature of the Vienna Convention and provides an invaluable pathway through this legal minefield." Sir Ivor Roberts KCMG FCIL, President of Trinity College, Oxford; Former British Ambassador to Yugoslavia, Ireland and Italy

Micro Radio and the FCC Jul 15 2022 Micro Radio became a lightning rod for the emerging Media Activism and Reform Movement. Like the environmental movement in the 1960s and 70s that focused on specific issues like nuclear power, the Media Activism Movement discovered a significant formative issue in micro radio at the turn of the millennium. This book is a close examination of the struggle over micro radio. Throughout this research micro radio is viewed as a site of social activity, a unique cultural and historical bond where ideas about the relationship between media and democracy are explored. This work is the first to spotlight this emerging social movement and uses critical historical analysis to provide a description of it. The information in this book shows the struggle over micro radio as the most recent manifestation of a growing social movement, a movement of media activism and reform. As local

people took to the airwaves, illegally broadcasting the frivolous to the serious, theoretical concepts such as localism and public access suddenly became grounded in a real world radio show. Micro radio broadcasters were able to demonstrate what is left out of most mainstream media. They showed what could happen when a diverse public is allowed to access the most universal telecommunications of the day. This look at micro radio will be valuable to communications students who are interested in the strategies behind media and social movements, alternative media, and news media practices.

Christians in the Twenty-First Century Dec 20 2022  
'Christians in the Twenty-First Century' examines Christianity as it is understood and practised both by active followers and those who regard themselves as Christian. The book opens with an examination of key Christian concepts - the Bible, the Creeds, the Church and the sacraments - and the major traditions of Roman Catholicism, Eastern Orthodoxy and Protestantism as well as more recent movements. The book continues with an analysis of the challenges presented by the rise of science, new approaches to biblical scholarship, the rise of fundamentalist movements, the ordination of women, secularization, the interfaith movement, and the impact of the electronic revolution.

Proceedings of the International Conference on Computing in High Energy Physics '95 Mar 11 2022 "CHEP (Computing in High Energy Physics) is the largest international meeting of the communities of High Energy Physics, Computing Science and the Computing Industry. The sixth conference in this series was held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in September 1995. The focus of the conference was "Computing for the next Millennium". High Energy Physics is at a point where major changes in the way data acquisition and computing problems are addressed will be called for in the high energy physics programs of the year 2000 and beyond. The conference covered a wide spectrum of topics



including Data Access, Storage, and Analysis; Data Acquisition and Triggering; Worldwide Collaboration and Networking; Tools, Languages, and Software Development Environments; and special purpose processing systems. The papers presented both recent progress and radical approaches to computing problems as candidates for the basis of future computing in the field of high energy physics."--Provided by publisher

Race and Multiraciality in Brazil and the United States Dec 28 2020

Proceedings of the 9th Annual Federal Depository Library Conference, October 22-25, 2000, Holiday Inn Rosslyn Westpark Hotel, Arlington, VA. Apr 12 2022

How to Survive a Pandemic Oct 26 2020 A vital, timely text on the viruses that cause pandemics and how to face them, by the New York Times bestselling author of How Not to Die. As the world grapples with the devastating impact of COVID-19, Dr Michael Greger reveals not only what we can do to protect ourselves and our loved ones during a pandemic, but also what human society must rectify to reduce the likelihood of even worse catastrophes in the future. From tuberculosis to bird flu and HIV to coronavirus, these infectious diseases share a common origin story: human interaction with animals. Otherwise known as zoonotic diseases for their passage from animals to humans, these pathogens – both pre-existing ones and those newly identified – emerge and re-emerge throughout history, sparking epidemics and pandemics that have resulted in millions of deaths around the world. How did these diseases come about? And what – if anything – can we do to stop them and their fatal march into our countries, our homes, and our bodies? In How to Survive a Pandemic, Dr Michael Greger, physician and internationally-recognized expert on public health issues, delves into the origins of some of the deadliest pathogens the world has ever seen. Tracing their evolution from the past until today, Dr Greger spotlights emerging flu and coronaviruses as

he examines where these pathogens originated, as well as the underlying conditions and significant human role that have exacerbated their lethal influence to large, and even global, levels.

Conflict Veterans Feb 22 2023 Returnees from wars and violent conflicts belong to their societies as much as any other distinct social group. In an age of asymmetric warfare and highly ambiguous profiles of combat, the veterans' position is changing and is less clear than in the past. Veterans are either marginalized or considered a social and political precarity; their self-perception and identity are often burdened with uncertain return into their societies. This volume brings together experts on veteran studies from various academic disciplines. Their views present a variety of sociological, anthropological, and military aspects on the lives and environments of contemporary veteran cultures. Based on findings from the first contemporary congress on returnees from diverse wars and interventions held in Germany in July 2016, the contributions here compare the situations of veterans and their perception by society in different countries. The main focus falls on the so far under-researched German "particular path" into the normalcy of producing and then having veterans who, as a new, emerging social group, start to build up their own associations and culture, and gain political and socio-cultural power of interpretation. This process forms a contrast to those veteran cultures that can build on long and seemingly less broken traditions.

Baring Our Souls Feb 27 2021 "After framing the genre in this way, Dr. Lowney's book raises the essential question, conversion to what? The faith preached on talk shows is based on the principles of the Recovery Movement, among whose tenets are that care for one's self is the highest virtue and that psychological wounds that endure from childhood into adulthood create troublesome and addictive behaviors or "codependency."

The only "cure" is to join a therapeutic 12-step group."--BOOK JACKET. "Baring Our Souls probes the roots of the genre in the religion of recovery, and holds both up to the scrutiny of sociological inquiry. This will be a welcome supplementary text in courses in social problems, media, and civil religion."--BOOK JACKET.

Electronic Styles Oct 06 2021 Demonstrates how to cite full text information files, bibliographic databases, Internet-accessible electronic journals, e-mail, and other online resources

The Political Economy of Russian Oil Jan 09 2022 In this thoughtful analysis, a group of international specialists explores the political and economic issues and controversies surrounding the oil industry's move to capitalism. The authors examine the spread of crime and corruption, the role of Russian and Western financial institutions, regional tensions, and the international dimension.

Disease Prevention as Social Change Jun 21 2020 From mad-cow disease and E. coli-tainted spinach in the food supply to anthrax scares and fears of a bird flu pandemic, national health threats are a perennial fact of American life. Yet not all crises receive the level of attention they seem to merit. The marked contrast between the U.S. government's rapid response to the anthrax outbreak of 2001 and years of federal inaction on the spread of AIDS among gay men and intravenous drug users underscores the influence of politics and public attitudes in shaping the nation's response to health threats. In *Disease Prevention as Social Change*, sociologist Constance Nathanson argues that public health is inherently political, and explores the social struggles behind public health interventions by the governments of four industrialized democracies. Nathanson shows how public health policies emerge out of battles over power and ideology, in which social reformers clash with powerful interests, from dairy farmers to tobacco lobbyists to

the Catholic Church. Comparing the history of four public health dilemmas—tuberculosis and infant mortality at the turn of the last century, and more recently smoking and AIDS—in the United States, France, Britain, and Canada, Nathanson examines the cultural and institutional factors that shaped reform movements and led each government to respond differently to the same health challenges. She finds that concentrated political power is no guarantee of government intervention in the public health domain. France, an archetypical strong state, has consistently been decades behind other industrialized countries in implementing public health measures, in part because political centralization has afforded little opportunity for the development of grassroots health reform movements. In contrast, less government centralization in America has led to unusually active citizen-based social movements that campaigned effectively to reduce infant mortality and restrict smoking. Public perceptions of health risks are also shaped by politics, not just science. Infant mortality crusades took off in the late nineteenth century not because of any sudden rise in infant mortality rates, but because of elite anxieties about the quantity and quality of working-class populations. *Disease Prevention as Social Change* also documents how culture and hierarchies of race, class, and gender have affected governmental action—and inaction—against particular diseases. Informed by extensive historical research and contemporary fieldwork, *Disease Prevention as Social Change* weaves compelling narratives of the political and social movements behind modern public health policies. By comparing the vastly different outcomes of these movements in different historical and cultural contexts, this path-breaking book advances our knowledge of the conditions in which social activists can succeed in battles over public health.

Sexualities in History Dec 08 2021 Over the past twenty years, historians have overturned nearly everything we once

took for granted about human sexuality. Gender, sexual orientation, "deviance," and even the biology of sex have been unmasked for what they are—historically specific, culturally contested, and above all, unstable constructions.

A CALENDAR OF MISERIES - Mothers Who Killed Children  
Feb 10 2022

Reconceptualising the Divide Mar 19 2020 Relations between the People ' s Republic of China and Japan are still subject to abrupt and periodic diplomatic confrontations and subtle political antagonisms. Though China and Japan have signed four political instruments, including the 1978 Treaty of Peace, Friendship and Co-operation, and maintain vibrant economic relations, Beijing and Tokyo too-frequently appear to have difficulty getting along. In this new volume, edited by Gerrit Gong and Victor Teo, a leading group of international scholars delineate underlying causes that strain bilateral Sino-Japanese relations and shape the 21st century international system. This book focuses on the “ ideational ” aspects of the Sino-Japanese relations—an area contemporary policy-makers and diplomats often neglect. Beyond visible interests and political gains, ideational forces including memories, identities, norms synthesize with nationalism and domestic politics to shape the tone and direction of Sino-Japanese relations and, for better or worse, set the trajectories for these two political and economic giants in the future.

Day of Perdition Nov 07 2021 If we knew then, what we know now... Barack Obama would never have won the Presidency of the United States of America. Day of Perdition (336 Pages) reveals the shape of a world that permitted a candidate so far out in the liberal stratosphere to rise to the highest office in a nation that was originally founded on Christian principles. It takes a look at what's on the horizon from a Christian perspective: the New World Order; the Rapture and the rise of the Antichrist. The novel ends with questions as to why we as

Christians allowed this to happen and finishes with a call to live a revolutionary Christian life and the hope of our future.

Graph Algorithms and Applications 2 Aug 04 2021 This book contains Volumes 4 and 5 of the Journal of Graph Algorithms and Applications (JGAA) . The first book of this series, Graph Algorithms and Applications 1, published in March 2002, contains Volumes 10Co3 of JGAA . JGAA is a peer-reviewed scientific journal devoted to the publication of high-quality research papers on the analysis, design, implementation, and applications of graph algorithms. Areas of interest include computational biology, computational geometry, computer graphics, computer-aided design, computer and interconnection networks, constraint systems, databases, graph drawing, graph embedding and layout, knowledge representation, multimedia, software engineering, telecommunications networks, user interfaces and visualization, and VLSI circuit design. The journal is supported by distinguished advisory and editorial boards, has high scientific standards, and takes advantage of current electronic document technology. The electronic version of JGAA is available on the Web at <http://jgaa.info/>. Graph Algorithms and Applications 2 presents contributions from prominent authors and includes selected papers from the Dagstuhl Seminar on Graph Algorithms and Applications and the Symposium on Graph Drawing in 1998. All papers in the book have extensive diagrams and offer a unique treatment of graph algorithms focusing on the important applications. Contents: Approximations of Weighted Independent Set and Hereditary Subset Problems (M M Halldrsson); Approximation Algorithms for Some Graph Partitioning Problems (G He et al.); Geometric Thickness of Complete Graphs (M B Dillencourt et al.); Techniques for the Refinement of Orthogonal Graph Drawings (J M Six et al.); Navigating Clustered Graphs Using Force-Directed Methods (P Eades & M L Huang); Clustering in Trees: Optimizing Cluster Sizes and Number of Subtrees (S E

Hambruch et al.); Planarizing Graphs OCo A Survey and Annotated Bibliography (A Liebers); Fully Dynamic 3-Dimensional Orthogonal Graph Drawing (M Closson et al.); 1-Bend 3-D Orthogonal Box-Drawings: Two Open Problems Solved (T Biedl); Computing an Optimal Orientation of a Balanced Decomposition Tree for Linear Arrangement Problems (R Bar-Yehuda et al.); New Bounds for Oblivious Mesh Routing (K Iwama et al.); Connectivity of Planar Graphs (H de Fraysseix & P O de Mendez); and other papers. Readership: Researchers and practitioners in theoretical computer science, computer engineering, and combinatorics and graph theory."

Transmission System Vegetation Management Program Oct 14 2019

Exercise Physiology Oct 18 2022 Designed for undergraduate course work, this exercise physiology textbook unites research and theory with real-world application so students can easily relate to the concepts being presented. The unique applied approach fully engages you in discovering how the human body works and responds to exercise. You'll not only gain a solid foundation in exercise physiology concepts, you'll also learn how to apply these concepts on the job to optimize athletic performance and well-being. Moreover, you'll come to understand the vital health benefits of exercise and physical activity for all individuals at all ages, including special populations. Beginning with basic exercise physiology concepts, the text progressively builds your knowledge by integrating these concepts into practical discussions of nutrition and training. The text stresses a research-based approach, enabling you to locate and evaluate the evidence you need to make good decisions. Numerous examples further underscore the importance of basic concepts and research in addressing real-life challenges in exercise and athletic training.

Batch Fermentation Jul 03 2021 Illustrating techniques in model development, signal processing, data reconciliation,

process monitoring, quality assurance, intelligent real-time process supervision, and fault detection and diagnosis, Batch Fermentation offers valuable simulation and control strategies for batch fermentation applications in the food, pharmaceutical, and chemical industries. The book provides approaches for determining optimal reference trajectories and operating conditions; estimating final product quality; modifying, adjusting, and enhancing batch process operations; and designing integrated real-time intelligent knowledge-based systems for process monitoring and fault diagnosis.

Fully Integrated Data Environments Apr 19 2020 This book presents the work of researchers in the Esprit Fully Integrated Data Environments (FIDE) projects which had the goal of substantially improving the quality of complex application systems while massively reducing the cost of building and maintaining them. It reports on the design and development of new integrated environments to support the construction and operation of persistent application systems, and on the principles employed to design, test, and implement such systems.

America Without the Death Penalty Jun 02 2021 In 2000, Governor George Ryan of Illinois, a Republican and a supporter of the death penalty, declared a moratorium on executions in his state. In 2003 he commuted the death sentences of all Illinois prisoners on death row. Ryan contended that the application of the death penalty in Illinois had been arbitrary and unfair, and he ignited a new round of debate over the appropriateness of execution. Nationwide surveys indicate that the number of Americans who favor the death penalty is declining. As the struggle over capital punishment rages on, twelve states and the District of Columbia have taken bold measures to eliminate the practice. This landmark study is the first to examine the history and motivations of those jurisdictions that abolished capital punishment and have resisted the move to reinstate



death penalty statutes.

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Formal Methods in Computer-Aided Design Aug 16 2022 This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the First International Conference on Formal Methods in Computer-Aided Design, FMCAD '96, held in Palo Alto, California, USA, in November 1996. The 25 revised full papers presented were selected from a total of 65 submissions; also included are three invited survey papers and four tutorial contributions. The volume covers all relevant formal aspects of work in computer-aided systems design, including verification, synthesis, and testing.

Smart Organizations and Smart Artifacts Aug 24 2020 This book offers a multidisciplinary strategy for finding new and more effective human-computer interaction approaches, in particular from a socio-technical perspective, that facilitate the exploration and exploitation of benefits that information technologies (IT) offer organizations. Though the relationship between IT and organizations is certainly very strong, it is also one of the greatest obstacles to securing benefits from their interaction. The participation of organizational users in the planning and design stages of IT interfaces is the main area of human-computer interaction, where a wealth of contributions are positively enriching both the academic and management discussions. Thus, a new approach for managing this relationship is needed, one in which the different stakeholders are suitably taken into account. Moreover, the outstanding success of the 2.0 phenomenon offers an example of a relevant platform where human-computer interaction has been widely developed and exploited. Consequently, this will influence and already is influencing – the way IT and users interact with each other. The book is based on a selection of the best papers – original, double blind peer-reviewed contributions – from the annual conference of the Italian chapter of the AIS, held in

Milan, Italy in December 2013.

After Atheism Jan 21 2023 Based on interviews with people throughout Siberia, Central Asia and European Russia about their spiritual experiences, this book brings together insights into the 'religious' worldview of those who claim to be Buddhist, Muslim, Christian, pagan or even 'atheist'. Throughout the ex-Soviet Union peoples of many different ethnic backgrounds report such experiences but often do not know how to interpret them, a position helped or hindered by the fact that at the same time these people are trying to rediscover their ethnic and cultural identity.

The Moral Economy of Welfare and Migration May 01 2021 Britain's coalition government of 2010 – 2015 ushered in an enduring age of austerity and a "moral mission" of welfare reform as part of a drive for deficit reduction. Stricter controls were applied to both domestic welfare and international migration and asylum, which were presented as two sides of the same coin. Policy in both areas has engaged a moral message of earned entitlement and invites a sociological approach that examines such policies in combination, alongside their underpinning moral economy. Exploring the idea of a moral economy – from its original focus on popular rebellion at the rising price of corn to more contemporary analysis of measures that seek to impose moral values from above – Lydia Morris examines Britain's reconfigured pattern of rights in the fields of domestic welfare and migration. Those in power have claimed that heightened conditions and sanctions for the benefit-dependent domestic population, both in and out of work, will promote labour market change and reduce demand for low-skilled migrant workers, often EU citizens, whose own access to benefits was curtailed prior to Brexit. Morris traces related political discourse through to the design and implementation of concrete policy measures and maps the diminished access to rights that has emerged, paying particular attention to the

boundaries drawn in defining target groups, and the resistance this has provoked. *The Moral Economy of Welfare and Migration* considers the topology of the whole system to highlight cross-cutting devices of control that have far-reaching implications for how we are governed as a total population.

Transatlantic Trends in Democracy Promotion Sep 05 2021  
How did the EU, US, and Canada decide and implement their electoral assistance in the Palestinian Territories (PT)? Why did the EU, the US, and Canada embark on assisting the elections in the PT, and what factors influenced their electoral assistance? What lessons can be learned for other countries approaching elections after a long period of conflict? This book answers these questions and charts the process of electoral assistance with an in-depth analysis of each transatlantic actor's electoral assistance in the PT. It shows that, despite the many institutional and operational differences between the EU, the US, and Canada, the three actors do share common interests and influencing factors which often unify their response. The book also reveals the limitations facing electoral assistance and the implications of this on the sustainability, clarity, consistency, and responsiveness of the policy. In this systematic, comparative analysis of European, American and Canadian efforts to assist elections and transform governance in conflict zones Rouba Al-Fattal greatly advances the empirical knowledge of electoral assistance and provides the first steps needed to reform electoral assistance policy to cope with the challenges of the twenty-first century.

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