



**AFTER THE ASIAN CRISES**  
**Perspectives on Global Politics and Economics**

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This book provides comprehensive coverage of Asian crisis from an economic, political and social point of view, and suggests possible future scenarios. The analysis is divided in two parts. The first includes area studies of the main Asian countries during the crisis, beginning with China, Japan and Central Asia. East Asia was hit directly by the crisis, and is now trying to cope with the failures of banks and enterprises, growing unemployment, widening social unrest and, frequently, political dissatisfaction. South and Central Asia had remained relatively unaffected, but weaknesses related to lower levels of development and structural problems have been exacerbated by the worsening international situation.

The second part of the book focuses on international variables that are likely to influence future security scenarios, including environmental issues, relations with Western countries, and the role of regional and global international organizations.

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