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Archaeology

On the Road

Studies in Honour of Lars Larsson
Birgitta Hårdh & Kristina Jennbert &
Deborah Olausson (eds)

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Pages: 318

Travel can take us to new places, but also to new knowledge. We can travel in time as well as in space, and travelling is by no means solely a phenomenon belonging to the present. On the Road is a book about travels and about travellers. The fifty-three articles illustrate the complexities of the concept of travel. These articles were written to honour Lars Larsson, Professor of Archaeology at Lund University, Sweden, upon the occasion of his 60th birthday.

Cultural studies

Nationalising Culture

*The Reorganisation of National Culture
in Swedish Cultural Policy 1970–2002*
Tobias Harding

Publisher: Linköpings universitet, Institutionen
för studier av samhällsutveckling och kultur
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Series: Linköping Studies in Arts and Science
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By comparative analysis of Swedish cultural policy (including art policy, heritage policy and Church policy) during the Riksdag periods of

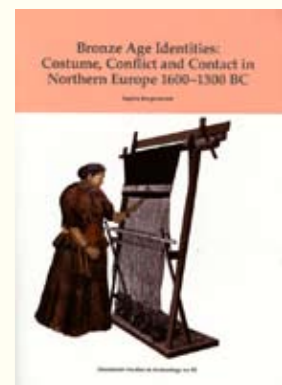
Bronze Age Identities

*Costume, Conflict and Contact in
Northern Europe 1600–1300 BC*

Sophie Bergerbrandt

Publisher: Bricoleur Press
ISBN: 91-85411-03-5
Published: 2007
Pages: 232

South Scandinavian Bronze Age research has traditionally focused on the male sphere, while women have seldom been seriously considered or analysed in terms of their roles, power or influences on society. In *Bronze Age Identities* this imbalance is addressed through discussing the evidence for gender relations, social structures and identity. The topic is approached with the use of various case studies from different areas of Northern Europe and from a variety of angles (e.g. costume and appearance, age, violence, long distance contacts), always drawing on the rich material from burials. In a fruitful manner *Bronze Age Identities* certainly challenges a number of taken for granted and stereotypes concerning Bronze Age society.



1970–73, 1991–94, 1994–98 and 1998–2002 the relationship between cultural policy and the concept of the nation as a homogenous cultural community (defined by either an ethnic or a state-framed concept) is explored. Neoinstitutional analysis of cultural policy as an organisational field is combined with analysis

of how the nation is conceived as an imagined community, and what values it strives to uphold to show how these values and concepts are institutionalised in its cultural policy and how this supports the legitimacy of the State as a nation-state.

Economics

The Closed-End Investment Company Premium Puzzle

Model development and empirical tests on Swedish and British data

Tomas Hjelström

Publisher: Stockholm School of Economics (EFI)

ISBN: 9789172587236

Published: 2007

Pages: 375



For decades, business press and researchers have observed and investigated the premiums/discounts on closed end investment companies. Proposed explanations for the phenomenon have been poor performance, high expenses (due to agency relationships), inefficient internal capital markets and excess volatility

in the returns of the shares of the closed-end investment companies.

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Defining strong ownership

Institutional Determinants and Stakeholder Interests in Vietnamese Development Planning

Thi Le Thanh Nguyen Forsberg

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Published: 2007

Series: Lund Studies in Economic History

Pages: 224



The current development debate emphasizes national ownership of the development agenda as a precondition for sustainable development and aid effectiveness. Vietnam is often held up as a good example of strong ownership. Yet, the ownership concept is not clearly defined or understood due to a lack of empirically

rooted evidence and analysis.

This study examines the key elements of development ownership in Vietnam in order to define and understand the determinants and nature of strong ownership. Arguing that ownership is both time and place specific and

must be defined and understood within the confines of a national political context, this study proposes an analytical framework for analyzing ownership in which the focus is shifted from a donor-driven to a recipient perspective. The study argues that both historical and political factors have contributed to Vietnam's strong national ownership of development planning.

Swedish Historical National Accounts 1800-2000

Olle Krantz & Lennart Schön

Publisher: Almqvist & Wiksell International

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Series: Lund Studies in Economic History

Pages: 93



Sweden has a long tradition in the field of historical national accounts. However, the previous series were in need of complements and revisions. In this book new, elaborated, and consistent series for the 19th and 20th centuries are presented.

They are the result of comprehensive research projects carried out at the departments of economic history at Lund and Umeå universities. Series are in current as well as constant prices for the production and expenditure sides of the accounts. Accordingly, the new GDP series are given in factor and market prices. The volume series are deflated using double deflation which is new to Swedish historical national accounts.

Volatility, Integration and Grain Banks

Studies in Harvests, Rye Prices and Institutional Development of the Parish Magasins in Sweden in the 18th and 19th Centuries

Bengt Åke Berg

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This study is the first to focus primarily on the Swedish parish magasins, the country's most widespread credit institution in the last half of the 18th, and the first part of the 19th, century. During the Early Modern Period, grain price volatility was a matter of great concern. The parish magasins were conceived as a substitute for government action intended to stabilize grain prices and offer relief in case of crop failure. The thesis analyzes the problems of harvest variability and grain price fluctuations utilizing both theory and empirical evidence. It is concluded that market integration, especially by permitting imports, was more effective than inter-harvest storage in reducing the likelihood of high prices.

Initially the peasants were sceptical of the

new institution. Although the establishment of the magasins was strictly speaking voluntary, substantial hierarchical pressure was applied. Once they had come into existence, however, the magasins evolved into a type of grain bank. The parishioners found them useful as a source of communal revenue at a time of rising need for local public expenditure for education and poor relief. In addition, the failure of the grain market to meet the needs of the peasantry created a demand for loans in kind. Although by no means ideal, in the absence of any superior institutions, the magasins provided valuable services. When improvements in both municipal finance and the functioning of the grain markets occurred in the second half of the 19th century, the magasins became obsolete.

Business & Economics

States under scrutiny

International organizations, transformation and the construction of progress

Matilda Dahl

Publisher: Södertörns högskola

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Opinions, rankings and evaluations of states' development are proliferating. In the context of the transformation and EU accession of the Baltic States, there were many organizations involved in the scrutiny of their efforts to become accepted as modern and European. This scrutiny directed towards states can be seen as a new practice of transnational regulation. Especially in times of major transformation, as was the case in the Baltic States after the collapse of the Soviet bloc, monitoring and evaluation of achievements can be expected to shape how reforms were prioritized and how problems were perceived. In order to gain a better understanding of these transformations it is necessary to study the practice of organizations that scrutinize the states.

Economic Psychology

Progressive Open Source

Catharina Melian

Publisher: Economic Research Institute, Stockholm School of Economics (EFI)

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Published: 2007

Pages: 274

Many companies are fighting a continuous battle to remain competitive, and find ways to improve innovativeness. Consequently they tend to imitate successful modes of organizing, translating ideas to fit their



particular contexts. This study focuses on the translation process of Open Source Software Development into a practical set of behavior patterns and work structures within Hewlett-Packard and its partners. Through this process of translation, a hybrid mode of Open Source Software Development work organization emerged, The Progressive Open Source. This instance of translation conveys a process of adopting and subsequently reconstructing a non-traditional form of work organization within the boundaries of the traditional organization. Some of the central characteristics of Open Source Software Development were adopted, reshaped, or compromised.

The study argues that the Internet continues to change the way work is conducted, and it is protecting and promoting a new era of collaborative, participatory and global approach towards innovation. Openness is the hallmark of these new processes. Moreover, openness has emerged as a viable strategy for organizations.

Ethnology, Ethnography & Anthropology

Consuming the Commercial Break

An Ethnographic Study of the Potential Audiences for Television Advertising

Karolina Brodin

Publisher: Economic Research Institute, Stockholm School of Economics (EFI)
ISBN: 9789172587212
Published: 2007
Pages: 294



Despite of the sociality of TV viewing, advertising researchers have traditionally studied the solitary viewer. The study of the social uses of advertising has been limited, and the reception of advertising in a naturalistic setting has practically been ignored. As a consequence, contextual factors of time, space, and everyday life have

received only scant attention in the advertising literature.

This thesis adopts the ethnographic method to investigate within a naturalistic setting the phenomenon of the consumption of commercial breaks. Eight households in Northwest London varying in age, socio-economic factors and other variables were filmed during a two-week-period and later interviewed. The videoethnography led to the identification of a set of cultural themes, which are illustrated in the thesis by behavioral episodes and interview excerpts from the participating households. In addition to the identification of archetypical behaviors, the thesis underlines a set of contingencies that have implications for behavior of potential audiences for television advertising, such as audience composition and time-of-day effects.

Diasporic Narratives of Sexuality

Identity Formation among Iranian-Swedish

Fataneh Farahani

Publisher: Acta Universitatis Stockholmiensis
ISBN: 9789185445622
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This thesis deals with the sexuality of Iranian women living in Sweden. Considering sexuality as gendered and socio-culturally constructed, the author examines the impact of Iranian Islamic discourses, contemporary socialization and migration on women's narrations of sexuality. The theoretical platform arises from a Foucauldian discursive analysis of sexuality, including Iranian and/or Islamic discourses on sexuality, and diasporic and feminist postcolonial theories. The empirical basis of the thesis consists of ten in-depth interviews with first generation Iranian immigrant women in Sweden.

Governing From Above

Solid Waste Management in Nigeria's New Capital City of Abuja

Onyanta Adama

Publisher: Acta Universitatis Stockholmiensis
ISBN: 9789185445677
Published: 2007
Pages: 223

This doctoral dissertation examines how the symbolic character of a relocated capital city influences and intersects with local conditions to shape the governance structure and relations in service delivery. The focus is on Abuja, the new capital city of Nigeria, and the sector studied is solid waste management.

Organizational Ethnology

Methods and Inspirations

Monika Kostera

Publisher: Studentlitteratur
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Published: 2007
Pages: 263

This book presents the ethnographic methodological tradition in comparison with similar qualitative traditions, and explains the main methods used by ethnographers of organizations, namely: observation, interview and text analysis. It shows how decisions concerning the choice of methodology are made and describes the main stages of the methodological process. Further, it offers an introduction to how to analyze ethnographic material and, finally, to how to write a thesis based on field research.

The book presents concrete examples of how research is done and short advice is offered by experienced researchers who use the described methods in their field work. Even though the book is comprehensible, it is not a simple manual but a book presenting a respected research tradition in its ontological and epistemological context.

Scholarly Journals Between the Past and the Future

The Fornvännen Centenary Round-Table Seminar, Stockholm, 21 April 2006

Martin Rundkvist (ed.)

Publisher: Kungl. Vitterhets Historie och Antikvitets akademien
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Published: 2007
Pages: 106

On 21 April 2006 a round-table seminar took place at the premises of Vitterhetsakademien in Stockholm. The occasion was Fornvännen's centenary, and the theme was the current status and future prospects of this kind of scholarly journal.

This volume is a collection of nine papers by participants in the seminar. The main themes are the shift from paper to on-line publication, how to solve funding problems and the best way to ensure continued high academic standards.



Stockholm – Belgrade

Proceedings from the Third Swedish-Serbian Symposium in Stockholm, April 21–25, 2004

Sven Gustavsson (ed.)

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Pages: 230

This symposium was part of the co-operation between the Royal Swedish Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities and the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts. The contributions elucidate the chosen topic – this time the capitals Stockholm and Belgrade – from various angles and with various scientific perspectives.

The Swedish researchers discuss Stockholm through factors of spatial differentiation, immigration and urban policy, real and imagined borders, modernist architecture, music and cultural diversity, the management plan for the urban national park, growth and stagnation in the history of Stockholm, and Stockholm in literature.

Most of the Serbian contributions take up the situation at the end of the 20th century and the beginning of the 21st, such as the social and political grounds of the destruction of the built environment of Belgrade, the socio-demographic development, the search for a new musical practice of the immigrants/refugees in Belgrade, and reflections on the history of Belgrade in the 1990s. Other contributions concern modernism in the planning and construction of New Belgrade as well as literary life in Belgrade.



History

Al-Tabari's History

Interpretations & History

Håkan Rydving (ed.)

Publisher: Uppsala University Press

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Series: Historia Religionum

Pages: 98

This book was written in Baghdad around 300 AH/910 AD and is the most important work of early Muslim historiography. Advocating a combination of careful source criticism and independent judgement, the author, among other things, placed Islamic history in a broader context by comparing it to Biblical and Persian traditions.

The four papers presented in this volume were read at a seminar at Göteborg University in May 2003. They approach al-Tabari's History from different angles, discussing it in relation to post-modern theories, structural analysis, the political situation, and source criticism. All in all, the papers exemplify some of the possibilities for interesting research that the History can inspire.

Cultivating the Rural Citizen

Modernity, Agrarianism and Citizenship in Late Tsarist Estonia

Johan Eellend

Publisher: Stockholm University, Faculty of Humanities, Department of History

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This dissertation studies the ideas and political practices produced in the emerging rural public sphere in late Tsarist Estonia. The time period is characterized by radical social and economic change and growing national and political self-consciousness. An underlying aim is to study the emergence and character of an agrarian ideology in Estonia, with a special concern paid for ideas on the organization of society.

The study emphasizes the importance of the rural sphere in creating the foundation for the interwar Estonian society and shows significant ideological and organizational similarities between the Estonian agrarian movement and contemporary agrarian movements in Europe.

Masks and Mummification in the Nordic Area

Terry Gunnell

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There has been a long-standing, widespread misunderstanding that traditional mask and mummification traditions are something that belong to the south and the "primitive", and that the

Letters from Sir James Spens and Jan Rutgers

The Works and Correspondence of Axel Oxenstierna II:13

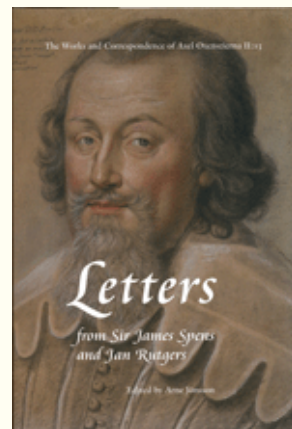
Arne Jönsson (ed.)

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Pages: 642



When Axel Oxenstierna, Chancellor of Sweden, died in 1654, Sweden was a great power. In 1612, however, when Oxenstierna took office, Sweden was on the verge of collapse. In the east, she was menaced by Muscovy, in the south-east by Poland, and in the west by Denmark.

One of the means to save the Swedish realm was through active diplomacy. Two important figures in Oxenstierna's diplomatic network were the Scottish officer Sir James Spens (d. 1632) and the Dutch humanist and jurist Jan Rutgers (d. 1625), who played central roles in Swedish foreign politics in the crucial period 1613–1632, i.e., from the disastrous peace with Denmark to Sweden's entry into the Thirty Years' War.

“cold and rationalistic” Protestant countries of the north had no form of theatre until comparatively recent times. Another misconception is that all cultural expressions in this area were adopted from the countries to the south. As this book demonstrates, both ideas are great misconceptions, a result of the fact that most work on such traditions has been written in the Nordic languages, and was thus inaccessible to English speakers. As the surveys and case studies contained in this book show, the mummification or guising traditions of the Nordic area, running from Greenland to Orkney and Norway to Finland and Estonia, have deep and firm roots, many of which appear to go back to medieval if not pre-Christian times, and are still reinventing themselves in the present day. This volume is the work of twenty-three scholars, and in addition to seven detailed surveys of the traditions of each area contains eighteen case studies offering different ways of dealing with this material. All of the above are richly illustrated with new maps and a wide range of illustrations of Nordic mummification traditions past and present.

Nobel Prizes, Presentations, Biographies and Lectures 2006

Lex Prix Nobel

Karl Grandin (ed.)

Publisher: Almqvist & Wiksell International

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Pages: 368

Since 1901 the Nobel Foundation has annually published a series of yearbooks, Les Prix Nobel, containing reports from the Nobel Prize Award Ceremonies in Stockholm and Oslo, as well as the biographies and Nobel Lectures of the Nobel Laureates.

Les Prix Nobel is published in October the year after the award is made.

Soviet People with Female Bodies

Performing Beauty and Maternity in Soviet Russia in the mid 1930–1960s

Yulia Gradskova

Publisher: Acta Universitatis Stockholmiensis

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Series: Södertörn Doctoral Dissertations

Pages: 347

The everyday practices of maternity and beauty are important for the enactment of femininity. This dissertation deals with femininities created in the context of changing ideas about “normality” in Soviet Russia during the mid 1930s–1960s and explores a diversity of norms, discourses and rituals. The main sources are women's magazines, advice books, and interviews with women living now in three different cities of the Russian Federation – Moscow, Saratov (Volga region) and Ufa (capital of Bashkortostan Republic).

Tools of Hegemony

Military Technology and Swedish-American Security Relations 1945–1962

Mikael Nilsson

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In this book, the author traces the origins of the domestic Swedish guided missile development effort, and shows how an effective Swedish air defense presupposed the consent to American hegemony. The cooperation was established through a series of crucial decisions made by the Swedish government to tacitly give its

consent to American hegemony in European and world affairs. This process started in 1948 with the Swedish participation in the Marshall Plan and can be considered to have been finalized in 1952 when President Truman made Sweden eligible for reimbursable armaments deliveries from the United States.

In 1959 Sweden purchased the Sidewinder Guided Missile from the United States. This confirmed that Sweden had become a trusted and close ally of the U.S. in the Cold War in Europe. The focus of the study is the effort to develop Swedish-made guided missiles for the Swedish Army and Air Force 1945–1962. These efforts were stymied by the lack of funding and know-how, and therefore the author concludes that Swedish cooperation with the United States during the Cold War cannot be viewed as a series of exceptions to the policy of neutrality, but that hegemonic theory permits the display of sovereignty that Sweden's policy gave expression to.

History of Art

Alexander Roslin

Magnus Olausson & Eva-Lena Karlsson (eds)

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Pages: 275



Alexander Roslin is possibly the most internationally renowned Swedish artist ever. Technical ingenuity, sensitivity to trends, and good social skills are a few of the secrets behind his success. In many of his best portraits Roslin manages to capture the extravagant taste in fashion of the time, along with the personality of his models. The

catalogue's abundance of essays and reproductions not only gives an extensive presentation of the artist's works but also puts them in

ideological and cultural perspective. This is the first book to present Alexander Roslin to an international readership in English.

Law

Documents on the Principles of International Human Rights

Farhad Malekian

Publisher: Norstedts Juridik
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Pages: 664

This work presents a selected collection of a large number of documents in international human rights which have a significant function for the consolidation of the principles of equality and justice in national, regional and international relations. The book consists of eight sections: International Basic Values on Human Dignity, Regional Basic Values on Human Dignity, Operation of Human Rights for Suppression and Protection by Conventional or Declaratory Approach, Operation of Human Rights for Basic Rights by Conventional Approach, International and Regional Protection of Children, International and Regional Protection of Women, Human Rights Because of Physical Conditions, Protection of Human Rights by International Labour Organizations.

Guidance and Constraint

Torben Spaak

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Published: 2007
Series: SJFU 108
Pages: 279

Questions concerning the methods and techniques of legal reasoning have always been of great interest to judges and lawyers, and even more so to legal scholars. In this book, the author wants to explore the action-guiding capacity of two general, normative theories of legal reasoning, developed by Neil MacCormick and Ronald Dworkin, respectively, and one normative theory of statutory interpretation developed by William Eskridge.

More specifically, the aim of the book is to determine whether any of these theories will take us further than the so-called legal method, and, if so, whether it can give us the kind of concrete guidance we need when confronted with a hard case. Suppose a judge or an attorney or an administrator really understood and could apply these theories. Would they be of any use to him when faced with a hard case? Would they be able to guide him to a decision when the interpretive arguments conflict with one another?

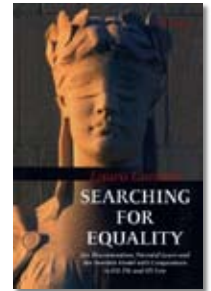
Searching for Equality

Laura Carlson

Publisher: Iustus Förlag
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Pages: 438

Achieving economic equality between men and women is a challenge to every country. The approach taken politically and legally in Sweden is to encourage greater economic independence of women from the family through paid work, as well as men assuming a greater share of unpaid work. This work takes the Swedish approach to the problem of economic equality and compares it to the legal systems as found in the EU, UK and US. The efforts in Sweden have made within the context of the parameters of the Swedish model of labor, in which the preferred mechanism of resolution is agreement between the social partners and not legislation.

To this end, the role of the social partners as well as collective agreements are analyzed in addition to the statutory schemes in each of these four systems. Both Sweden and the UK are subject to the parameters as set out by Community law. The recent emphasis in the UK has been on a family friendly workplace, to be achieved at least in part through flexible working. In the US, the focus has been on discriminatory behavior as a societal phenomenon, with concerns as to balancing family and work new to the legislative scheme.



The Rule of Law and the European Union

Erik O. Wennerström

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Pages: 354

The internal EU conception of the rule of law is formulated by the European Court of Justice through the development of its case law. The enlargement conception of the rule of law has been formulated mainly by the European Commission, with the agreement of the Council, through the assessment mechanism it constructed in the mid-1990s, and a decade's practice in applying it. The external relations conception of the rule of law has been formulated by the Commission, as regards co-operation, aid and trade, and by the Council and its Secretariat as regards other foreign policy measures. A comparison of how the EU applies the concept in these three different situations demonstrates great variations that reveal lack of consistency. The reasons for this unintentional proliferation are rooted in the growth of supranational power in the Community sphere, countered by the continuing strong influence of Member States in other policy areas.

Impartial or Uninvolved?

The Anatomy of 20th Century Doctrine on the Law of Neutrality

Pål Wrangé

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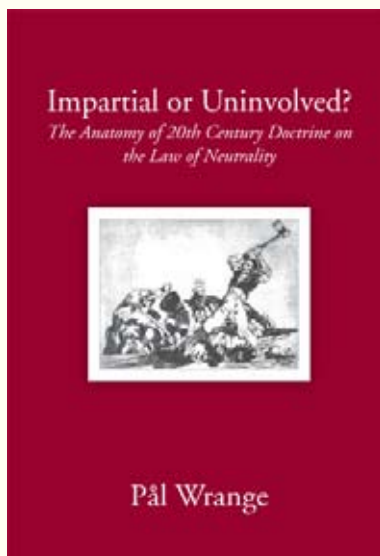
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Pages: 1 106

This work focuses on neutrality as a 20th century international legal discourse. A number of doctrinal texts have been read both as legal arguments and as texts with philosophical and political implications.

A well-known controversy throughout most of the century has been the relation between neutrality and collective security; how did neutrality, born in the balance of power, survive the League of Nations, total war, the United Nations, the Cold War and “the New World Order”? But that has not been the only issue. How come neutrality has not been extended to economic conflicts? Why is it not being applied to struggles with non-state entities? How could neutrality be relevant both in war and in peace, and what does that say about the peace?



daily to the world's largest press corps in Brussels and on the Internet to other journalists and the general public.

The overall aim of the thesis is to describe the text production of one of the largest text producers in the world and to highlight the linguistic dimensions of the Commission's communicative practices, which until now have received little scholarly attention. The study adopts a dialogical perspective on communication, where communication is understood as a dynamic process in which people interact in a given context. This means that the press releases are seen as parts of the production and distribution context in which they are embedded, both on a local level and on a more general institutional level.



The essence of Language a Philosophical Problem

Why Noam Chomsky was never a linguist

Sven Öhman

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Pages: 96

Humanistic language study in Western Europe has traditions that reach back to early Antiquity and onward to Imperial Rome. Post-Roman Humanistic language study works with quite a simple theory. It regards a language as a script in which the utterances of speech may be adequately represented in the sense that a reader can reproduce the spoken utterance from its script representation. Pursuing in a critical review Chomsky's own account in his recent, *New Horizons in the Study of Language and Mind*, Cambridge UP 2002 of the development of his thinking on language from the start in the 1960's this booklet points out the most glaring ways in which Chomsky's linguistics breaks with traditional European language study. From the very beginning, Chomsky set out to rewrite English grammar as a mathematical theory of the kind used in the natural sciences to summarize in compact form the laws of nature that a certain class of natural phenomena can be assumed to obey. What sets this approach completely at odds with the traditional conception is the idea of treating the “data” of linguistic expression as directly comparable with the data of physics, obtained by objective measurement and calculation. The approach misses the fundamental distinction between the essential value nature of a grammaticality judgment, and the objective observation of facts of nature.

The Swedish Companies Act

An introduction

Rolf Skog & Catarina Fäger

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Pages: 361



In order to maintain the confidence of shareholders and the market, a company must have a good understanding of company law regulations. This introduction focuses on the rules applicable to most small and medium-sized companies and, together with the text of the Act, is an excellent handbook for both owners and company management. The new, modernised 2005

Companies Act is both lucid and easy to comprehend.

Many companies operate in fast-growing markets or on markets where companies active in mergers and acquisitions can grow quite quickly. Consequently, the book also contains clear information about applicable rules for larger companies.

The book is also suitable for lawyers, accountants and others who, in their capacities as advisors to companies, often need to summarise fundamental company law regulations for their clients. It is published in English as a complement for companies operating internationally who need to describe Swedish company law in English.

Linguistics

La Commission européenne et ses pratiques communicatives

Étude des dimensions linguistiques et des enjeux politiques des communiqués de presse

Maria Lindholm

Publisher: Linköpings universitet, Institutionen för kultur och kommunikation

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Pages: 399

The thesis investigates the European Commission's communicative practices in the light of the press releases that are distributed

Political Science

Anna Lindh Programme on Conflict Prevention, 2007 Edition

Energy and Conflict Prevention

Greg Austin & Marie-Ange Schellekens-Gaiffe (eds.)

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Pages: 272

Most conflict hotspots around the world today are in areas where energy or other resources are a factor. With the arrival of new actors both governmental and non-governmental, new industrial giants such as China and India, as well as rapidly emerging national oil companies, “energy security” has rapidly become a global environmental, social, and economic issue requiring a rapid and coordinated

response from governments, the business community, and global civil society.

This edition, the fourth in a series of publications from the Anna Lindh Programme on Conflict Prevention, deals with Energy and Conflict Prevention, an issue already highlighted in the 2003 Security Strategy adopted by the European Union as a global challenge.

SIPRI Yearbook 2007

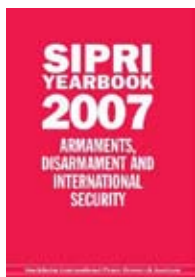
Armaments, Disarmament and International Security

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The SIPRI Yearbook serves as a single authoritative and independent source to which politicians, diplomats and journalists can turn for an account of what has happened during the past year in armaments and arms control, armed conflicts and conflict resolution, security arrangements and disarmament.

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This report explores the challenges of transferring responsibility for public order and the rule of law after conflict to local ownership. It does so by taking a closer look at the principle of local ownership—a participatory framework through which the needs and views of all stakeholders can be

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The report seeks to assist field personnel—from the police officer on the street to the head of mission—with the difficult task of implementing the principle of local ownership in justice and security sector reform during peacebuilding operations. It is intended to assist with the process of deciding how, where

and when local ownership should be promoted, where it may not be an option, whether different circumstances call for different types of strategies for transition and what factors should be taken into consideration. It identifies potential stumbling blocks and encourages practitioners to ask critical questions that can guide the transitional process.

State Procedure and Union Rights

A comparison of the European Union and the United States

Johan Lindholm

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That Member State courts apply the laws of the European Community is central to the enforcement of Community law. What may detract from the effective enforcement of Community law is that national courts in such situations as a general rule apply national procedural rules. While this scheme—state procedure and union rights—function well in most situations, national procedural law sometimes affects Community law to an unacceptable extent. In response, several exceptions from the general rule of national procedural autonomy have been established.

What can be and in this study is questioned is whether the current European order adequately balances the interests of all parties affected. By comparing the current European solution to how a similar issue has been approached in the United States it is demonstrated herein that much emphasis is placed on the effectiveness of Community law and that this is done at the expense of other, competing interests, most importantly the proper division of power between Community and Member States. The American example also provides the European Community with several suggestions how a workable and more balanced approach could be constructed.

Humanitarian Military Intervention

The Conditions for Success and Failure

Taylor B. Seybolt

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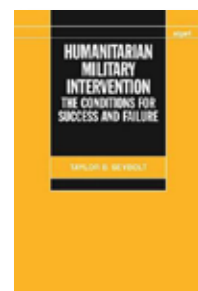
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Military intervention in a conflict without a reasonable prospect of success is unjustifiable, especially when it is done in the name of humanity. Couched in the debate on the responsibility to protect civilians from violence and drawing on traditional “just war” principles, the central premise of this book is that humanitarian military intervention can be justified as a policy option only if decision makers can be reasonably sure that intervention will do more good than harm.

This book asks, “Have past humanitarian military interventions been successful?” Analysis of 17 military operations in six conflict areas that were the defining cases of the 1990s—northern Iraq after the Gulf War, Somalia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Rwanda, Kosovo and East Timor—shows that the majority were successful by this measure.



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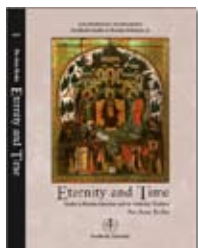
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Per-Arne Bodin

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What influence has hesychasm had on Russian hymnography? What is the impact of the Christian theme in the famous terrorist Boris Savinkov's novel *The Pale Horse*? These are two of the questions addressed in this interdisciplinary study that examines

the Orthodox tradition throughout Russian literature and culture. Issues such as the use of icons, hymns and hagiography from Medieval times up to Post Soviet Russia are studied, and crucial notions of Orthodox thought, such as hesychasm, the Trinity and the Apocalypse and their impact on Russian culture are interpreted. Questions such as transformation, repudiation, and unexpected encounters between different themes and motifs play a central role.

From Her Point of View

Woman's Anti-World in the Poetry of Anna Swirszczynska

Renata Ingbrant

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This book is a monograph about Anna Swirszczynska's poetry. It may be described as one woman's attempt to read another woman's literary work by taking into account established canons as well as the tools of feminist literary analysis. Part One begins with a discussion of Swirszczynska's biography. It then moves on to an overview of critical (mainly male) reactions to Swirszczynska's work, with special regard to Czeslaw Milosz's contribution to its interpretation and popularization.

Sociology & Social Policy

Repatriation, Integration or Resettlement

The Dilemmas of Migration among Eritrean Refugees in Eastern Sudan

Sadia Hassanen

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The refugee problem continues to be a major international concern. This study is based on the situation of Eritrean refugees in Kassala town, Sudan, but provides some general insights in the on-going debate about the notions of home, transnationalism, citizenship, integration and return migration. The thesis examines the factors that influence the decision of Eritrean refugees in Kassala town concerning return migration. Different sources of data and several methods of data collection have been used. These include participant observation as well as interviews with refugees and certain officials.

A central question is, what or where is "home". The notions of home and of exile are continuously negotiated, contested and transformed in the context of ever-changing socio-economic and political conditions in the refugees' country of asylum and their country of origin. The study shows that the decision concerning return migration is not only influenced by socio-economic conditions, but also by human rights violations in both countries, the arrival of new asylum-seekers, and the hope for resettlement in countries of the North.

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