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Multinational enterprises play a vital role in the economic activity of most developing countries. In India MNE affiliates dominate whole sectors of industry - such as plastics and pharmaceuticals - characterised by a high degree of product differentiation, complex technology and high skill intensity. Such advantages, combined with intangible assets, centralised decision making and global outlook lead to a divergence of approach between MNEs and their local counterparts in host developing countries. This book analyses the inter-industry pattern of MNEs in India in the framework of the internationalisation theory, also examining the comparative behaviour of MNE affiliates and LCEs in terms of conduct and performance. The book goes further to explain the different performance of these two strategic groups by assessing profit and export.

During the past twenty or so years, foreign direct investment (FDI) flows have increased at rates approaching the astounding, especially so during the 1990s. While much of the increase was due to unprecedented cross-border mergers and acquisitions among high-income countries, the amount of FDI flowing to developing nations also grew substantially. This volume examines the economics of this FDI to developing countries. Some chapters are theoretical in nature, others empirical, and still others are largely policy-oriented. Topics covered include whether FDI makes an autonomous contribution to growth in these nations and whether or not 'spillovers' are generated by this investments. Also covered are effects of policy intervention by governments on FDI flows and whether non-economic factors (e.g. cultural factors) might figure as determinants of location of FDI.

"Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) is a subject of topical interest. Countries of the world, particularly developing economies, are vying with each other to attract foreign capital to boost their domestic rates of investment and also to acquire new technology and managerial skills. This book provides glimpses of the patterns, issues and policies involved in FDI flows at the global level and in India."

Indian outward foreign direct investment (FDI) has risen dramatically in recent years. This reflects that Indian multinational corporations (MNCs) are asserting an increasingly important role in the global economy, not only as resource and market seekers in less developed countries, but increasingly competing on par with western MNCs in their home markets. When we confront the Indian outward FDI path with theories of outward foreign direct investment from developing countries, a number of puzzles and anomalies becomes evident: Normally, we would expect strong inward FDI performance to precede strong outward FDI performance, however in India the rise in outward FDI has been almost simultaneous with the rise in inward FDI; Normally, we would expect developing country MNCs to invest in like or less developed countries, however Indian MNCs have in a rapid sequence moved into developed economies; Normally, we would expect developing country MNCs to be operating with less advanced technologies and business models, however Indian MNCs have moved directly into FDI in advanced sectors and technologies. This paper will offer a number of explanations for the unique Indian outward investment path, explanations that take their point of departure in the idiosyncratic nature of Indian industrialization.

Foreign Direct Investment is known as investment by one country in another country. In this age of globalization FDI is in high demand. Through FDI international business and economic relationship can grow stronger between two or more countries. FDI is mostly popular in developing countries. It helps them become developed countries and have stronger relationship with developing countries. Through this study we are able to have a better understanding and know what FDI is, the mode of FDI and the types of FDI. We have also known the global trend of FDI, the position of different countries as FDI host countries and investor countries. There are countries like China, India and Malaysia which have a strong position as FDI-receiving country. On the other hand countries like USA, Japan and Germany have a strong position as FDI investor countries in the world. We have also studied the role of FDI in economical development especially in developed countries. In developing countries FDI works like fresh blood to make the economy of the countries active and economically successful. Almost all developing countries in the world depend on FDI for faster economical development. There are some advantages and disadvantages of FDI for every country. So many influential factors exist in FDI in order to attract foreign investors. In this study we tried to sort them out from different data sources. There are some case studies to understand the position of FDI, how it happens, what the influential factors are, how multinational companies start their business operation in a new country through FDI, what types of challenges they face and how they solve them. In this study it was revealed that FDI was very important for the global economy. Developing countries look forward to receiving FDI from developed countries. In this case some factors are highly considered in order to make the final decision for investment. Political stability, lower wage rates, lower production cost, easy communication, good exchange rates, host country's policy on foreign investment, etc. are the influential factors to attract foreign investors. So if we want to welcome the investors and to increase our FDI we have to focus on these issues and make them attractive to the investors.

With 40% of the world population, China and India rank among the world's most important economies. They are already potential markets that neither multinational firms nor smaller companies can afford to ignore. Both economies are opening up to the outside world, production and incomes are growing as is consumer demand, and foreign direct investment (FDI) is being encouraged. This excellent collection provides the latest research findings concerned with the analysis of economic performance and business strategies of firms operating in these markets.

A comparative and historical analysis of foreign direct investment liberalization in China and India, explaining how the return of these countries' diasporas affects such liberalization.

The purpose of this paper is to illustrate the emergence of giant global organisations in India and how the forces of globalisation have changed the merger and acquisitions activities of Indian companies. We examine the changes in government policy, their impacts on FDI, and the most significant mergers and acquisitions by top companies. This leads to a consideration of the strategies and the identified new approach to mergers and acquisitions of these new global players. The approach of the Indian corporate for acquiring companies abroad is different from a traditional approach in which the main focus was cost reduction, operational synergies, and short term goals. More recent Indian acquisitions reflect a strategic and long term focus. Their aim is to obtain new technologies, brands, and consumers in foreign countries. There is little literature on the phenomenon of the emergence of

giant corporate in India and areas for further research are identified.

"The book investigates foreign direct investment (FDI) strategies in four important emerging economies: Egypt, India, South Africa and Vietnam. These countries liberalized their economies in the 1990s with the intention of attracting greater FDI inflows. This book assesses whether they have been successful in achieving this goal. The authors adopt a comparative perspective and use a large enterprise survey plus three individual case studies in each country. They investigate the strategies of foreign direct investors focusing on the relationship between the investment climate, the mode of entry (acquisition, greenfield or joint venture), company performance, and spillovers to the host economy. The book outlines how the interactions between international businesses and the local policy environment influence the entry strategies of firms. Academics and researchers with an interest in international business, emerging markets, economic development and strategic management will find this book informative and insightful."--BOOK JACKET.

"India is growing a set of world class multinationals. These range from Tata's ownership of Jaguar to nimble entrepreneurial firms in high tech and knowledge based businesses. This book is an eye opener to those who still think that globalization is driven solely by Western multinationals: in fact emerging economies like India are now full partners in world economic development."--Alan M Rugman, Henley Business School, University of Reading "This remarkable collections essays by some of the sharpest analysts in the field sheds new light on the emergence of Indian multinational enterprises, a phenomenon of growing relevance for both global business and international political economy."--Mr. Andrea Goldstein, Deputy Director, Heiligendamm L'Aquila Process Support Unit, OECD, France.

From The Conclusions That Emerge From The Analysis It Appears That The Competitive Advantage Of Indian Firms Derives From The Knowledge And Expertise Of Their Managerial And Technical Personnel, While Their Weakness Stems From Poor Marketing Mediocre Technology And Inadequate Capital.

This Survey-Based Study Analyses The Current Retail Scenario In India, Investigates The Growth Across Different Segments Of Retailing And Evaluates The Likely Impact Of Allowing Fdi (Foreign Direct Investment) On Various State Holders In Different Retail Segments.

This book consists of detailed case studies of foreign direct investment (FDI) in China, India, Ireland, Malaysia, Mexico and Sub-Saharan Africa, providing a critical review of the determinants and impact of FDI on growth and development, employment, technology transfer and trade. The expert contributors examine a range of controversial issues including the contribution of the relatively large volume of FDI in China to its growth, whether India should fully liberalise its FDI regime and the impact of Mexico's membership of NAFTA on the volume of FDI it has attracted. Malaysia's economic policies, which appear to have attracted relatively large volumes of FDI but failed to generate the hoped for transmission of technology and skills are also questioned, along with the role of corruption in limiting the contribution of FDI to achieving social goals in Sub-Saharan Africa. The impressive record of the Irish Republic in attracting and harnessing FDI to development objectives is examined closely and provides a detailed analysis of policies likely to promote efficient utilisation of FDI.

An in depth analysis of the key determinants of successful direct investment strategy by foreign firms in India, providing important cues to multinational companies in India and other developing countries on how to strategically invest in these host countries for the benefit of both the company and the country involved.

This book presents the changing contours of India's position in the global economy. The first section deals with India's defensive posture in the nineties vis-à-vis the Multinational Companies. The resistance to speedy opening up of the economy has enabled Indian businesses to become globally competitive. The second section deals with the challenges before India in the begging of the 21st millennium as she is increasingly recognized as a world power. The earlier defensive posture has to be change into an offensive posture now with India aiming to break the economies of the rich countries. This can be done, for example, withdrawing forex reserves from US T-Bills. The third section deals with the challenges before India in establishing a just world order. The question is how to break the inherent injustice in the world economy where 20 percent of the people of rich countries are consuming 80 percent of the resources. India should not tie its wagon to the engine of rich countries and try to gain form injustice of the present world order. Instead, India must take the lead in confronting the injustice perpetrated by the rich countries, organize the developing countries and establish a world economy based on justice.

This volume examines foreign investment in developing countries both from a theoretical perspective and country specific perspective. It covers strategies to maximize the benefits that draw from the inward investment flow as well as examining foreign investment as a vehicle for international economic integration. The book focuses on foreign investment in the third and fourth largest economies of the world - the Peoples Republic of China and India - in addition to Indonesia, Malaysia and other countries.

Inhaltsangabe:Introduction: Global foreign direct investment (FDI) has risen sharply in the 1990s. At the same time and even more strikingly FDI in emerging market economies has spurred dramatically. Arising at the end of the 20th century and only known from 19th century trading companies as the East India Company, FDI in developing and emerging markets represents today a new phenomenon. Traditionally, literature has mostly focused on FDI between industrialized countries, and publications on FDI in emerging markets remain relatively sparse. Yet, the rise of large emerging market countries such as China and India has attracted interest of an increasing number of multinational firms (MNFs). The combination of high real economic growth and new FDI regulation in these countries creates a specific environment where MNFs have to adjust corporate strategies for successful market penetration. Further, government's perception of FDI has changed towards increasingly attracting FDI. The present diploma thesis attempts to contribute to the broad issue of understanding why firms become multinational and why they invest in specific countries. Determinants affecting corporate strategies of MNFs and the influence of FDI related economic policies will be specifically analyzed for the case of German MNFs in India for two reasons: Firstly, India is of particular interest as its economy has been opened up remarkably for FDI as a consequence of the economic reform process in the early 1990s. FDI in India, one of the Asian emerging market countries, may there-

fore suitably represent recent FDI trends to developing and emerging market countries. FDI analysis in these countries often concentrates on China. Given that India is most prominently referred to the Chinese case in terms of economic perspective and potential FDI growth, the analysis allows to draw attention on a second large and prospective FDI player in the region. Secondly, a newly available firm-level dataset from the Deutsche Bundesbank provides detailed data on German FDI in India. The dataset allows to jointly analyze determinants of MNF decisions and host country location factors. The following thesis attempts to provide a (1) profound theoretical background, (2) empirical validation of theoretical predictions using firm-level data and management survey results and (3) implications on corporate strategy and economic policy. Project Organization: Section 2 provides the theoretical foundation by [...]

The contributors explore the rapid growth of Indian multinationals and provide valuable insights into the patterns and trends of their outward investments and the factors that led to their emergence in the global FDI market. They also look at their continuously evolving strategies in the global economy. This book focuses on Indian manufacturing industries and analyses the impact of inward foreign direct investment on the domestic sector on the one hand, and exports and outward foreign direct investment by Indian companies on the other. Although the emphasis is mostly general, specific industries, such as the automotive industry or the wind energy sector are also explored. The differences between low and high technology industries are also addressed. In terms of theoretical setting and analysis, the book draws both from international business and industrial organization literature. The various characteristics of Indian industries, such as the determinants and impacts of R&D, the effects of spillovers, the drivers of productivity and technical efficiency are thoroughly researched employing appropriate quantitative methodologies that are relevant to the specific domain and topic under investigation. The book also focuses on the bearing of policy on promoting manufacturing industries in India and is therefore of interest to researchers, industrialists and policy makers alike.

This book makes a timely and highly stimulating contribution to the discourse on emerging-market multinationals, (EMNCs), as Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Europe from emerging countries (especially from the BRICs - Brazil, Russia, India, China) continues to grow in significance. Unsurprisingly, the emergence of EMNCs from emerging economies raises a wide range of challenges and opportunities for scholars, business professionals, and policymakers alike. While explaining the sudden rise of these companies has become a major concern among scholars, we have very limited knowledge on drivers, motivations, strategies, and impact of these EMNCs in Europe and their policy implications. This volume provides fresh insights into EMNCs activities and their impact in Europe. The contributors argue that EMNCs combine various country specific advantages, existing firm-specific advantages (exploitation), and/or new FSAs (exploration) in their FDI, and that there is considerable heterogeneity across EMNCs, even those from the same southern economy. Highlighting the importance of considering this divergent behaviour when implementing future European FDI policies, this book will be of interest to students and scholars of European Politics, International Political Economy, International Business and European Integration.

This book presents an in-depth understanding of the transformation of modern economy in the twenty-first century by examining the interface and interplay of three key forces of contemporary global economy—Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), Multinational Enterprises (MNEs), and Global Value Chains (GVCs)—and how the emerging nexus of these forces has already ushered in revolutionary transformation in global production, investment, trade, and employment in recent decades. A distinctive feature of the book is that it situates the contemporary GVC revolution—that envisages fragmentation and dispersion of production processes across the world based on competitive costs and quality—as a natural progression of the traditional FDI-MNEs nexus, which emphasized internationalization of production and trade in search of profits, resources, markets, or cheap labour. Moreover, the book provides a comprehensive analysis, from historical, theoretical and empirical perspectives, of both traditional FDI-MNEs Nexus that dominated the world economy until the end of the twentieth century, and of the New Nexus of FDI-MNEs-GVCs, that has opened grand opportunities for global prosperity by providing short-cut paths to industrialization and economic growth for less developed countries. As an exemplar, the book examines GVCs in automobiles—a medium-tech manufacturing activity with numerous backward and forward linkages—to demonstrate how the FDI-MNE-GVC interface in this sector has wedged industrialization, employment, and trade in six emerging countries/regions—Brazil, Central and Eastern Europe, China, India, Mexico and Thailand.

Foreign direct investment (FDI) and multinational corporations (MNCs)—for better and worse—play a large and growing role in shaping our world. The integrating thesis of this book is the inevitability of heterogeneity in FDI and MNCs and, accordingly, the imperative of disaggregation. Large companies doing business on a global basis increasingly dominate the production and marketing of the world's goods and services. The importance of these companies continues to grow while the debate about their nature and effects remains mired in a long-standing stalemate couched in strong black and white terms. Stephen D. Cohen seeks to reconcile this impasse by analyzing multinational corporations and foreign direct investment in an eclectic, nuanced manner. The core thesis is that an accurate understanding of the nature and impact of these phenomena comes from acknowledging the dominance of heterogeneity, perceptions, and ambiguity and the paucity of universal truths. This approach should contribute significantly to both a better academic understanding and a more productive policy debate of an increasingly important element of the world economy.

This report investigates the role of foreign direct investment (FDI) in helping developing countries participate in global value chains (GVCs). It combines the perspectives and strategies from three types of players: multinational corporations, domestic firms and governments. It aims to provide practical guidance for developing countries to develop strategies that use FDI to strengthen GVC participation and upgrading. The report has six main chapters: 1. FDI and GVCs. Assesses the trade-investment nexus and analyzes the effect of FDI in countries' GVC participation and upgrading at the country level. 2. MNCs shape GVC development. Highlights MNCs' contribution to global economy and how their business strategies shape the evolution of GVCs. The chapter also compares MNCs' business strategies in terms of outsourcing and offshoring, risk mitigation and increasing market power across GVC archetypes. 3. Domestic firm perspectives on GVC participation. Looks at the various paths domestic firms can take to internationalize their production and trade. Investigates domestic firm characteristics that predict higher GVC participation, and the effect of GVC participation on firm performance. 4. Investment policy and promotion: what is in a government's toolbox? Summarizes the various policy instruments governments have at their disposal to help attract MNCs to their country and facilitate GVC participation of domestic firms. 5. Integrating countries into GVCs. Draws on a range of case studies to illustrate how governments can develop coherent strategies and policy packages to integrate their countries into GVCs. 6. FDI and GVCs in the wake of COVID-19. Reflects the impact of COVID-19 on FDI and GVCs, the response from multinationals and suppliers, and the implications for GVC reconfiguration. In addition, there are seven case studies that offer more nuanced analysis on the GVC participation in selected countries and sectors: • Five qualitative case studies: Five countries have been selected that managed to use FDI to stimulate GVC participation using a range of approaches. By design, these five countries also cover five different GVC archetypes. These countries are: (1) Kenya (horticulture); (2) Dominican Republic (textiles); (3) Mauritius (tourism); (4) Malaysia (electronics); (5) China (software). • Two quantitative case studies: Rwanda, West-Bengal (India). These use a combination of firm- and transaction level datasets to study firm-

m-level dynamics that explain the role of multinational and domestic firms across GVCs.

Indian multinationals have been active in the world economy since early 1960s. However, their number and scale of operation have grown significantly in the last fifteen years or so. In the face of increasing global competition unleashed by extensive liberalization measures, Indian firms have adopted the strategy of outward foreign direct investment (OFDI) as an integral part of their business strategies. By undertaking greenfield OFDI and brownfield OFDI for acquiring foreign companies, Indian firms are enhancing their potential for growth and global competitiveness. Consequently India has emerged as a major developing source country of FDI and Indian multinationals are likely to affect world development in several ways. The book analyses the phenomenon of Indian multinationals from both macro level factors and firm-level corporate strategies and examines its implications for India and host countries. A detailed investigation of Indian overseas investment flows and stocks from sectoral, regional, ownership and motivational perspectives provides a rigorous long-run coverage of Indian multinational firms from 1970s onwards. The role of innovation, entrepreneurial skills, scale of business, productivity, and the role of government policies, received critical attention in explaining the emergence of Indian multinationals. The comprehensive quantitative and case studies approach offers valuable insights into the behaviour and impacts of these new global actors on home and host countries. This book offers a number of lessons to home country, host countries, and Indian enterprises becoming multinationals. With the growing global interest from policy makers, business practitioners, researchers, and students in Indian multinationals, this book would serve as an important and timely reading for all of them.

Research Paper (undergraduate) from the year 2005 in the subject Business economics - Economic and Social History, grade: 1,3, Hamburg University of Technology (Department of Technology and Innovation Management), 19 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: The Indian economy continues to achieve stellar growth. The accepted opinion is that the process of economic liberalization that started in the late 1980's in India has come to fruition, and, combined with a strong resource base (mainly the strong knowledge base of trained engineers combined with innovation brought in by multinational companies), continues to drive the growth in recent years. The present work provides a brief background of the process of liberalization, both its successes and challenges. The work goes on to describe the effect of economic liberalization on the Indian automotive industry. The transformation of the automotive industry in the post-liberalization years is nothing short of dramatic. This transformation is discussed using different parameters, and some critical issues that face the industry in India are conjectured. The work may be taken as an introductory- to middle-level reading on the Indian automotive industry, and can form the basis of a detailed critical examination of important issues facing the industry today.

The purpose of the book is to extend and develop the literature on foreign direct investment (FDI) and multinational corporation (MNCs) subsidiaries. There are several reasons for studying foreign investment and ownership. First, firms need to identify which host country industry factors are important in choosing among the various type of equity ownership (e.g. international joint ventures or wholly-owned subsidiary). Second, international diversification through foreign market entry can provide growth and profitability at rates unavailable in home markets. A third reason this warrants some attention is that type of ownership can affect attempts to counter international competition by engaging foreign rivals on their home turf. Fourth, firms have the option of choosing the appropriate equity ownership for international markets based on balancing their resources, capabilities, and international experience with their desire for ownership and control. This book extends the literature in FDI by providing empirical support for several theories and previously defined and/or tested constructs. For example, the parent and subsidiary's factors measured in this study suggest the importance of internalization and ownership advantages of Dunning's eclectic theory.

"This book contributes to contemporary globalization debates by providing a survey of the growth and role of multinational enterprises in the world economy over the last two hundred years"—Provided by publisher.

The phenomenon of South-South FDI flows, particularly those arising from multinational companies from China and India, has generated considerable interest among policymakers, academics and the popular press in recent times. This phenomenon raises several questions such as: What is behind the rise of such intra-regional investment flows? What is the magnitude of such flows, and can they be expected to persist/accelerate over time? What are the challenges faced by emerging market multinationals and the future prospects of intra-Asian FDI flows? This book, written by top scholars from academia, international organizations as well as think tanks, consists of a set of papers focusing on these issues. The book is unique in its coverage — focusing on China, India and Southeast Asia rather than limiting itself to a sub-regional or country-specific focus. The chapters in this book highlight important policy issues but are supported with relevant data and empirics, with rigorous empirical analysis being applied to important practical policy issues. The book also provides pertinent overviews of recent research on the questions explored. While the chapters have been crafted to be able to stand up to academic scrutiny, they are also written in a manner that makes them easily accessible to all policymakers, students and business/financial journalists who are interested in Asia and in the emergence of South-South FDI flows.

Developing countries in East Asia recorded remarkable economic growth until the Asian financial crisis erupted in mid-1997. Although several countries experienced devastating setbacks, most of them recovered to achieve reasonable rates of economic growth over the next few years. Sound macroeconomic management, export-oriented policies, and the availability of skilled and low-wage labour are among the factors that contributed to the rapid economic growth before the crisis and the recovery thereafter. Especially noteworthy in this regard is the role played by foreign direct investment (FDI). This comprehensive book identifies the factors that contributed to the expansion of FDI inflows in East Asia and the factors that enabled recipient countries to utilize FDI effectively. It includes detailed case studies on China, South Korea, Taiwan, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam. Also included is a comparative study of investing firms headquartered in the United States, Japan and Hong Kong. The authors conclude that social stability, clear and effective policy implementation and corporate governance are all key factors in reaping economic success from FDI.

The rise of the Japanese multinational company (JMNC) marked, from the 1980s onwards, an historic change in the structure and in the dynamics of the international economy. For the first time, businesses from a non-Western nation established a competitive global presence, and they did so by bringing their advanced products and management systems to the developed economies of Europe and North America. In the last 30 years, our interpretations of JMNCs have undergone a series of revisions. Korean firms followed JMNCs in the 1990s and the Chinese likewise in the 2000s. A seeming decline in JMNC competitiveness and developments in the structure of the international economy challenged a business model of parental company direction, control and capabilities. Both trends asked questions about how Japanese subsidiaries should operate in global production chains increasingly reliant on contracting out and off-shoring, and how JMNCs might engage more in strategic cooperation and empower subsidiary decision-making. The contributors to this volume consider a wide range of relevant issues: they demonstrate the long-term evolution of JMNCs; they compare the experience of JMNCs with firms from the other two major Asia Pacific economies, Korea and China; they

evaluate the applicability of established foreign direct investment (FDI) theory to MNCs from Japan and the Asia Pacific; and they reflect on the internal organization of JMNCs at the global, national and subnational level. This book was originally published as a special issue of Asia Pacific Business Review.

Indian firms have grown explosively over the last two decades since India adopted wholesale neo-liberal policies in 1991. Nayak attributes the expansion of these Indian firms and their multinational businesses to the owners' ability to manoeuvre and mould key agents in the external environment rather than to the internal management of the firm.

A remarkable product of analytical formulation, data disaggregation and methodological rigour. Anthony P. D Costa, Pacific Affairs Cross-border investment is a key driver of the globalisation process and multinational enterprises a key driver of productivity growth. This new book offers a comprehensive and informed evaluation of the role of multinationals in the world's fastest growing region. The book will not only be of interest to researchers and students, but also to analysts in the policy making community. David Greenaway, University of Nottingham, UK This volume offers a wealth of information and insights into the roles of multinational enterprises in shaping recent economic developments in East and South Asia. These direct investments, which are now the dominant source of finance for the developing regions globally, are generally welcomed today, though this was untrue earlier. However, the cases in this volume draw out ways and contexts in which the greatest advantage may be sought from these capital inflows. Robert E.B. Lucas, Boston University, US Foreign direct investment by MNCs, once considered the bane of developing countries, is today a leading indicator of their relative success. The reality is more complicated, however, as this fresh assessment of the role of MNCs in Asia explains clearly and persuasively. This study is a major contribution to literature on the role of MNCs in developing countries, drawing heavily on the author's own original research on foreign direct investment in several Asian countries. What is the role of MNCs in developing countries and how has it changed over the past two decades? What are the cost and benefits to host developing countries of MNCs direct investment? What measures should developing countries take to attract MNCs? This book provides clear and convincing answers to these questions based on

the kind of rigorous empirical analysis for which the author is renowned. James Riedel, The Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, US This book takes a fresh look at unresolved issues associated with the role of multinational enterprises and foreign direct investment in economic development in light of the experiences of developing countries in Asia. Each chapter presents a self-contained treatment of a specific theme relating to the developmental implications of MNEs, encompassing the current state of the debate, and relevant theory and policy implications. The key aspects of MNE-development interface covered in the book include expansion of manufacturing exports, global integration through international fragmentation of production, research and development, productivity growth, susceptibility to and recovery from financial crises, macroeconomic adjustment and international competitiveness, and economic transition from plan to market. Multinational Enterprises in Asian Development will prove a valuable reference tool for academics, researchers and students focusing on trade, development and international business. Professional economists and policy makers wishing to broaden their understanding of the role of MNEs as an integral part of the international development policy will also find much to interest them in this book.

This contributed volume seeks to provide a unique window on the globalization process by analyzing the dynamics of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Europe and Asia, as well as its influence on the renewal of public policies and regulations, both transnational and local. It discusses the link between the trans-nationalization of productive and business systems and the renewal of local regulations in the light of concerns over competitiveness and attractiveness, as well as new social tensions. Multinational corporations (MNCs) as key actors of globalization are central for understanding the new interactions between the global, regional and local dimensions as well as for highlighting the challenges of regulation both at transnational level and within national boundaries. Research approaches along two broad lines are presented: First, a theoretical and empirical approach that examines links between the strategies of multinationals and local public policy in order to contribute to a better understanding of the institutional dynamics of social regulation. Second, a comparative approach that compares regional spaces, with particular attention to Europe on the one hand, and to the two great emerging powers, China and India, on the other.