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The Greening of Asia and China

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The book offers perspectives from people all over the world, from a variety of backgrounds. It is well suited for students, campaigners, policy makers, & anyone with an interest in Asian countries and green economics. The Green Economics Institute is very active in spreading Green Economics around Asia and China at all levels and in all walks of life and our work is creating a great deal of interest. This experience has allowed us to bring together the voices from many different green initiatives into a single volume for the first time. This book has been compiled by the global leaders in the field, including a number of high profile specialists.

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Green Economics In Asia

Asia and China form the powerhouse of the world economy of the 21st century, with much of the area enjoying more than 5% GDP growth. Other parts of the region are still struggling with deep and life-threatening poverty and inequality. Other people are challenging stereotypes and norms. One woman is running a Real Estate Company in Saudi Arabia, one man has built an entire city on solar and renewables. Several mayors in Hong Kong and Indonesia are leading with Green Tech, sustainable city initiatives. Japan has had its own transformation and green awakening moment with the terrible, natural and man-made events in 2011 and Japan is experiencing its highest debt ratio ever and so the region is not immune to the global debt crisis.

The book explores the paradoxes of the successes and challenges of two of the main BRICS, India and China. It also considers aspects of the development of the economy of the CIVETS in Asia: Indonesia, Vietnam and Turkey, which are also leading the world in change and development. The book presents Asia’s ground breaking innovation and green tech revolution, which have successfully challenged the world’s economic, political and institutional frameworks in this truly global world. The book asks what global sustainability looks like in a world where each of us is dependent and inter-dependent on the whole human family, nature, other species, the planet and its systems? We have much to learn from each other.

This book is the first to try to chart the innovations and challenges that the Asian and Chinese economic miracles are bringing from a green perspective, and to hear from voices all around the region about the implementation of the green economy. This book sets the scene for the physical and social environment of the 21st century, and introduces the context and features of these changes to the reader. It also begins the discussion of the New World Order and also provides suggestions for world government and world governance to meet the challenge of global environmental and social change and the issues that this raises. Sha Zukang, the leader of the Rio +20 conference, passionately believes in sustainable development and the greening of the world economy.

Welcome to the “Age of Global transformation and the Age of Green Economics”

Ban Ki-Moon Head of the United Nations

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