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regions how they emerge and how they are dramatically changing the appearance of the present world of states and its related forms of governance from local to global levels is analysed in this monograph but what are regions regions can be small or huge they can be part of a single state be composed out of different states or stretched out across borders they can be important recognized economic social or cultural entities or they can be largely ignored by the people who live on a region s territory they can be well defined with clear cut boundaries as is the case in so called constitutional regions or they can be fuzzy as for instance in cross border regions in sum they are not a natural kind and defining regions is not a simple task luk van langenhove advances the concept of region building as an alternative to the construction of regions with three issues of region building being explored why are regions built in a world of states how do region building processes take place how are regions transforming the present world order crossing disciplinary boundaries this book is an exercise in theorizing regions and brings together under one conceptual framework different processes and concepts such as regional integration devolution federalism and separatism and refines the social constructionist view on regions

for over a millennium asia and the middle east have been closely connected through maritime activities and trade a flourishing relationship that has given rise to new and thriving societies across the indian ocean region and arabia in recent times with the global political and economic power shifts of the past decade significant events in the middle east and asia have brought about fundamental global change the arab uprisings the emergence of india and china as powerful global economies the growing strength of various new islamic movements and serious financial uncertainties on a global scale have laid the foundations of a new world order between east and west the current volume examines this renewed global dynamic and how it is changing the relationships between the interdependent global communities across asia and the middle east focussing on the broader aspects of finance and trade between the middle east and asia as well as growing security issues over natural resources and questions of sovereignty this volume concludes with speculations on the growing importance of asia and the middle east in the global setting

described as fresh innovative and intelligent human geography places and regions in global context is acclaimed for its modern global approach conceptual rigor engaging real world applications and stunning visual program knox and marston foster awareness of current issues and developing trends from a geographic perspective and provide a solid foundation in the fundamentals of human geography the authors give meaning to people and places by integrating compelling local regional and global viewpoints by providing access to the latest ideas concepts and theories the text not only builds students knowledge about places and regions but deepens their understanding of the interdependence of places and regions in a globalizing world the sixth edition extends knox marston s modern approach while making the book more accessible to a wider audience particularly with the support of new media and masteringgeography used by over a million science students the mastering platform is the most effective and widely used online tutorial homework and assessment system for the sciences this is the product access code card for masteringgeography and does not include the actual bound book

no matter where they are located in the world communities living in mountain regions have shared experiences defined in large part by contradictions these communities often face social and economic marginalization despite providing the lumber coal minerals tea and tobacco that have fueled the growth of nations for centuries they are perceived as remote and socially inferior backwaters on one hand while simultaneously seen as culturally rich and spiritually sacred spaces on the other these contradictions become even more fraught as environmental changes and political strains place added pressure on these mountain communities shifting national borders and changes to watersheds forests and natural resources play an increasingly important role as nations respond to the needs of a global economy the works in this volume consider multiple nations languages generations and religions in their exploration of upland communities responses to the unique challenges and opportunities they share from paintings to digital mapping environmental studies to poetry land reclamation efforts to song lyrics the collection provides a truly interdisciplinary and global study the editors and authors offer a cross cultural exploration of the many strategies that mountain communities are employing to face the concerns of the future

a unique comparative study based on funded research of eleven city regions across three continents looking at changes over the last 30 years detailed changes in land use are presented here with series of maps prepared especially for the study the socio economic and physical forms of city regions have been examined for comparative study and the findings will be of interest to all those concerned with urban development in their professional and academic work the book features numerous maps which underline research findings cities covered are ankara bangkok boston madrid randstad san diego chile sao paulo seattle and the central puget taipei tokyo west midlands

this book gives an overview of the state of research in fields pertaining to the detection understanding

and prediction of global change impacts in mountain regions more than sixty contributions from paleoclimatology cryospheric research hydrology ecology and development studies are compiled in this volume each with an outlook on future research directions the book will interest meteorologists geologists botanists and climatologists

the rise of china has been shaped and driven by its engagement with the global economy during a period of intensified globalization yet china is a continent sized economy and society with substantial diversity across its different regions this means that its engagement with the global economy cannot just be understood at the national level but requires analysis of the differences in participation in the global economy across china s regions this book responds to this challenge by looking at the development of china s regions in this era of globalization it traces the evolution of regional policy in china and its implications in a global context detailed chapters examine the global trajectory of what is now becoming known as the greater bay area in southern china the globalization of the inland mega city of chongqing and the role of china s regions in the globally focused belt and road initiative launched by the chinese government in late 2013 the book will be of interest to practitioners and scholars engaging with contemporary china s political economy and international relations

there are now more than three hundred city regions around the world with populations greater than one million these city regions are expanding vigorously and they present many new and deep challenges to researchers and policy makers in both the more developed and less developed parts of the world the processes of global economic integration and accelerated urban growth make traditional planning and policy strategies in these regions increasingly inadequate while more effective approaches remain largely in various stages of hypothesis and experimentation global city regions represents a multifaceted effort to deal with the many different issues raised by these developments it seeks at once to define the question of global city regions and to describe the internal and external dynamics that shape them it proposes a theorization of global city regions based on their economic and political responses to intensifying levels of globalization and it offers a number of policy insights into the severe social problems that confront global city regions as they come face to face with an economically and politically neoliberal world at a moment when globalization is increasingly subject to critical scrutiny in many different quarters this book provides a timely overview of its effects on urban and regional development one of its most important but perhaps least understood corollaries the book also offers a series of nuanced visions of alternative possible futures

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a geography of the world s major regionspresents a global view of today s most pressing issues through an analysis of the twelve major regions of the world population pressure environmental degradation natural catastrophe and human conflict all impact in different ways to different degrees on the society and environment of these regions within each region this book describes economic and political restructuring the production and consumption of natural resources agriculture industry and services the role of the military and the impact of global economic change this book will prove an invaluable introduction to the changing geography of the world it will also provide a useful overview of specific regions comparative analysis of regions and the economic and political geography of both the post industrial and the developing worlds

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investigates the intimate relationship between regional governance processes and global crises analysing the current turmoil in the european union it also looks at regional cooperation and integration in the arab world africa asia and latin america through topical case studies

a comprehensive treatment of regional transformation offering insights from different theoretical perspectives and generating a range of policy relevant ideas

for courses in world regional geography this explicitly global approach to world regional geography emphasizes global connections and the stories behind the maps and offers lively discussions of how these forces and processes play themselves out in individual places the authors make the most current and powerful ideas in geography accessible to the introductory student emphasis on core regions key cities and distinctive landscapes accommodates a global connections approach as well as the course s traditional focus on places at the local scale

this timely book presents fresh forward looking analyses of key regions across the globe organized around power transition theory tracking political and economic trajectories broadly the contributors use cutting edge data to forecast general trends in regional politics economics and diplomacy their collective insights into the likely directions of regional dynamics within a changing global order comprise an invaluable guidebook for forward thinking readers considering where the world is headed in the coming decades and the implications for strategy politics and policy

cross border regions are newly emerging social spaces stretching across national borders globalization makes national borders more permeable and leads to a rearrangement of economic and political interactions this is particularly pronounced within supra regional blocs featuring specific internal border regimes the ensuing opportunities are increasingly seized to create border spanning discourses and institutions this is illustrated in the book by a range of experts analyzing cross border regions in europe america east asia and africa

economic theory including endogenous growth the role of institutions and most importantly the new economic geography neg have made significant progress in explaining the emergence of core periphery patterns behind this divergence they point to the critical role of agglomeration which confers benefits to metropolitan cores that have the advantages of large markets deep labor pools links to international markets and clusters of diverse suppliers and institutions regions relatively near the metropolitan core are likely to benefit from spillovers and congestion related dispersion regions further outside the core however are not only less able to take advantage of spillovers but also more likely to be far removed from key infrastructural institutional and interpersonal links to regional and international markets as a result they face significant challenges to becoming competitive locations to host economic activity thus the geographical pattern of core and peripheral regions is increasingly manifest in an economic pattern of leading and lagging regions

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as china and the u s increasingly compete for power in key areas of u s influence great power conflict looms yet few studies have looked to the middle east and africa regions of major political economic and military importance for both china and the u s to theorize how china competes in a changing world system china s rise in the global south examines china s behavior as a rising power in two key global south regions the middle east and sub saharan africa dawn c murphy drawing on extensive fieldwork and hundreds of interviews compares and analyzes thirty years of china s interactions with these regions across a range of functional areas political economic foreign aid and military from the belt and road initiative to the founding of new cooperation forums and special envoys china s rise in the global south offers an in depth look at china s foreign policy approach to the countries it considers its partners in south south cooperation intervening in the emerging debate between liberals and realists about china s future as a great power murphy contends that china is constructing an alternate international order to interact with these regions and this book provides policymakers and scholars of international relations with the tools to analyze it Ôthis is vintage allen scott but also a tour dÕhorizon of the state of urban studies 2012 by one of its foremost global practitioners compulsory reading Õ Đ peter hall university college london uk Ôin this book allen scott enriches his longstanding research into the ways in which city regions function as the main economic engines of global capitalism the end result is a seminal synthesis of how city regions are increasingly enchained with one another in intensifying relations of competition and cooperation and is a must read for students and scholars alike Õ Đ ben derudder monash university australia and ghent university belgium ÔscottÕs book is a remarkable treatment of the emerging global economy weaving together the frontiers of technology and the ways in which labor is managed and surplus created with the cities of tomorrow his book challenges conventional notions of the Òglobal cityÓ to provide a more nuanced account of the ways in which the emerging cultural Dcognitive economy of the 21st century is producing urban landscapes his conception of the city of tomorrow is informed by deep knowledge of the contemporary city around the world and provides the reader with the conceptual building blocks to re frame how we think about urbanization now and in the future Õ Đ gordon l clark university of oxford uk this innovative volume offers an in depth analysis of the many ways in which new forms of capitalism in the 21st century are affecting and altering the processes of urbanization beginning with the recent history of capitalism and urbanization and moving into a thorough and complex discussion of the modern city this book outlines the dynamics of what the author calls the third wave of urbanization characterized by global capitalismÕs increasing turn to forms of production revolving around technology intensive artifacts financial services and creative commodities such as film music and fashion the author explores how this shift toward a cognitive and cultural economy has caused dramatic changes in the modern economic landscape in general and in the form and function of world cities in particular armed with cutting edge research and decades of expertise allen j scott breaks new ground in identifying and explaining how the cities of the past are being reshaped into a complex system of global economic spaces marked by intense relationships of competition and cooperation professors and students in areas such as geography urban planning sociology and economics will find much to admire in this pioneering volume as will journalists policy makers and other professionals with an interest in urban studies

winner of the regional studies association s best book award 2018 in the last few decades many global cities and towns have experienced unprecedented economic social and spatial structural change today we find ourselves at the juncture between entering a post urban and a post political world both presenting new challenges to our metropolitan regions municipalities and cities many megacities declining regions and towns are experiencing an increase in the number of complex problems regarding internal relationships governance and external connections in particular a growing disparity exists between citizens that are socially excluded within declining physical and economic realms and those situated in thriving geographic areas this book conveys how forces of structural change shape the urban landscape in the post urban world is divided into three main sections spatial transformations and the new geography of cities and regions urbanization knowledge economies and social structuration and new cultures in a post political and post resilient world one important subject covered in this book in addition to the spatial and economic forces that shape our regions cities and neighbourhoods is the social cultural ecological and psychological aspects which are also critically involved additionally the urban transformation occurring throughout cities is thoroughly discussed written by today s leading experts in urban studies this book discusses subjects from different

theoretical standpoints as well as various methodological approaches and perspectives this is alongside the challenges and new solutions for cities and regions in an interconnected world of global economies this book is aimed at both academic researchers interested in regional development economic geography and urban studies as well as practitioners and policy makers in urban development

the relations between asean and china occupy a unique and important position in the foreign relations of the asia pacific region this volume investigates the impacts of global changes and regional challenges confronting the contemporary developments of china asean relations

which lines on the map matter most it s time to reimagine how life is organized on earth in connectography parag khanna guides us through the emerging global network civilization in which mega cities compete over connectivity and borders are increasingly irrelevant travelling across the world khanna shows how twenty first century conflict is a tug of war over pipelines and internet cables advanced technologies and market access yet connectography also offers a hopeful vision of the future beneath the chaos of a world that appears to be falling apart a new foundation of connectivity is pulling it together

global climate change and cold regions ecosystems provides information on soil processes and the carbon cycle in cold ecoregions as well as the soil carbon pool and its fluxes in the soils of cold ecoregions filling a void in this area of soil science this resource explains soil processes influencing c dynamics under natural and disturbed ecosyst

this book considers how rurality interacts with the mental health and wellbeing of individuals and communities in different regional settings through the use of international and comparative case studies the book offers insight into the spatiality of mental health diagnoses experiences services provision and services access between and within rural areas it is the first book to specifically address rural mental health geographies from an international perspective and will be of interest to researchers and policymakers in rural studies regional studies health geography and rural mental health

in the last two decades various states from the global south have emerged as important players in international relations most popular among them is china brazil india and south africa have also taken essential roles in global and regional politics compared to traditional great powers they can be labelled regional great powers or regional powers because their influence is with the exception of china concentrated on their neighbourhood the impact of regions meaning the impact of geography on the economics and politics of regional powers is surprisingly understudied this book analyses how geographical conditions influence the regional economics and politics of south africa allowing the author to delineate its region of influence

national competitiveness has become a misnomer as competitiveness is increasingly understood as a regional phenomenon and regions are not confined to the boundaries of the nation state this book focuses on the port of rotterdam and its hinterland i e the lower rhine and the ruhr area a transnational perspective is imperative to understand the historical trajectories of the port the hinterland and the region itself this book brings geography and the transnational study of regions back into the historical discipline linking places to larger geographical scales and to systems of production and consumption

and the global chains in which they are organised this book will be of interest to scholars and practitioners in urban studies urban planning public policy geography and political science

this book examines what counts regarding the role and conceptualization of regions in world politics it presents a fresh look at which narratives awake persist fall dormant or re emerge amidst diverse interlocking processes of environmental technological and global political changes it puts forward a thorough and multidimensional conceptualization of regions as embedded in changing overlapping environments and requires more attention to regions shifting materiality temporality and technological underpinnings combing the approaches questions and analyses of critical ir and political geography it calls for a renewed emphasis on the puzzle of how the contextual environment of regions may become more or less multidimensional or how some aspects of a region s contextual environment may be mutually constitutive in non intuitive ways ultimately it sheds light on the politics of regions and the regional scale in international politics in order to overcome the often underlying territorial fixity of territory and space within ir approaches this book will be of key interest to scholars and students of international relations international political sociology political geography regionalism geopolitics and area studies

gendered lives takes a regional approach to examine gender issues from an anthropological perspective with a focus on globalization and intersectionality chapters present contributors ethnographic research contextualizing their findings within four geographic regions latin america the caribbean south asia and the global north each regional section begins with an overview of the broader historical social and gendered contexts which situate the regions within larger global linkages these introductions also feature short project people profiles that highlight the work of community leaders or non governmental organizations active in gender related issues each research based chapter begins with a chapter overview and learning objectives and closes with discussion questions and resources for further exploration this modular regional approach allows instructors to select the regions and cases they want to use in their courses while they can be used separately the chapters are connected through the book s central themes of globalization and intersectionality an oer version of this course is freely available thanks to the generous support of suny oer services access the book online at milneopentextbooks org gendered lives global issues

small scale producers in developing countries lack easy access to efficient logistics services they are faced with long distances from both domestic and international markets unless they consolidate their trade volumes they face high costs which diminish their ability to trade however the process of consolidation is not without cost nor does it occur on its own accord as a result the consolidation is typically handled by intermediaries using case studies of sisal and soybean supply chains in brazil and india respectively this study explores the role and impact of intermediaries in facilitating trade in lagging regions the study assesses the horizontal relationships between the small scale producers in thin markets and the vertical connections between different tiers of the same supply chain the study analyzes the traditional approach to linking producers namely through cooperatives and itinerant traders and the relatively newer innovations using ict the study finds that farmers linked through the different mechanisms are more integrated to international supply chains or are able to better manage supply chains longer than would otherwise be the case intermediaries play several roles including

providing transport services and facilitating market exchanges payments risk sharing and quality improvements generally information technology driven innovations make it easier to integrate adjacent steps in the value chain this report on logistics performance at the sub national level is an on going endeavour similar analysis is being carried out in some countries in africa to identify the evolving role of intermediaries in low income regions the results will be developed into a major publication on this topic with recommendations on how development agencies civil society and the private sector can improve the design of strategies to reduce logistics costs in low income areas

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the world today is the number one bestselling brief world regional geography textbook the seventh edition continues to bring readers geographic perspectives on a fast changing world through the regional view restructured chapters provide a macro review of important physical cultural and political characteristics drawing upon up to date significant world events and crises the cartographically superior maps have been updated for the seventh edition to offer an accurate and vast picture of the world multi layer interactive gia maps have been added to wileyplus learning space to complement the extensive map program the majority of the photos have been taken by our authors during their field research allowing the student to experience an authentic geographical viewpoint of our world

the aim of this handbook is to take stock of regional competitiveness and complementary concepts as a means of presenting a state of the art discussion of the contemporary theories perspectives and empirical explanations that help make sense of the determinants of uneven development across regions drawing on an international field of leading scholars the book is assembled and organized so that readers can first learn about the theoretical underpinnings of regional competitiveness and development theory before moving on to deeper discussions of key factors and principal elements the emergence of allied concepts empirical applications and the policy context since the late 1980s there has been a global upsurge of various forms of regionalist projects the widening and deepening of the european union eu is the most prominent example but there has also been a revitalization or expansion of many other regionalist projects as well such as the african union au the association of southeast asian nations asean the north american free trade agreement nafta and the southern common market mercosur more or less every government in the world is engaged in regionalism which also involves a rich variety of business and civil society actors resulting in a multitude of regional processes in most fields of contemporary politics in this new text fredrik söderbaum draws on decades of scholarship to provide a major reassessment of regionalism and to address questions about its origins logic and consequences by examining regionalism from historical spatial comparative and global perspectives rethinking regionalism transcends the deep intellectual and disciplinary rivalries that have limited our knowledge about the subject this broad ranging approach enables new and challenging answers to emerge as to why and how regionalism evolves and consolidates how it can be compared and what its ongoing significance is for a host of issues within global politics from security and trade to development and the environment retaining a balanced and authoritative style throughout this text will be welcomed for its uniquely comprehensive examination of regionalism in the contemporary global age

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Deciphering the Austrian-Hungarian Ultimatum to Serbia: A Problem-Solving Approach

The assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand on June 28, 1914, is widely recognized as the spark that ignited World War I. However, the immediate consequence of this act was Austria-Hungary's delivery of a brutally harsh ultimatum to Serbia, a document that effectively sealed the fate of Europe. Understanding the ultimatum's contents, its implications, and Austria-Hungary's aims is crucial to comprehending the outbreak of the Great War. This article will dissect the ultimatum, addressing common misconceptions and providing a step-by-step analysis of its problematic nature. 1. The Context: Austria-Hungary's Grievances and Goals Austria-Hungary, a multi-ethnic empire teetering on the brink of internal collapse, viewed Serbia as a major threat. Serbia, fueled by Pan-Slavic ideals, harbored aspirations of uniting all South Slavic peoples, a prospect directly challenging Austria-Hungary's territorial integrity. The assassination, allegedly orchestrated by Serbian nationalists, provided Vienna with a long-sought pretext to crush Serbia and definitively settle the Serbian question. The ultimatum wasn't about simply punishing the perpetrators. Austria-Hungary aimed to: Humiliate Serbia: Force Serbia into a position of utter subservience, crippling its sovereignty and prestige. Weaken Serbia: Severely restrict Serbia's military capabilities and dismantle its nationalist infrastructure. Establish Dominance: Assert Austria-Hungary's dominance in the Balkans and dissuade future nationalist uprisings. 2. The Ultimatum: A Detailed Examination The ultimatum, delivered on July 23, 1914, consisted of ten demands, many deliberately impossible to fulfill. These demands can be categorized as follows: Judicial Demands: These demanded Serbia suppress anti-Austrian propaganda, arrest and extradite suspects involved in the assassination, and cooperate fully with Austrian investigations. These were ostensibly reasonable but framed in a manner that allowed Austria-Hungary to reject any Serbian response. Sovereignty-Eroding Demands: These included the participation of Austrian officials in suppressing subversive activities within Serbia, effectively undermining Serbian sovereignty and installing Austrian oversight. Military Demands: These limited Serbian military capabilities, demanding the dismissal of certain officers and the cooperation of the Serbian military with Austrian authorities. 3. Serbia's Response: A Calculated Gamble Faced with an impossible ultimatum, Serbia's response was a calculated gamble. While accepting most of the judicial demands, they subtly resisted the sovereignty-eroding and military ones, hoping to gain international support by demonstrating their willingness to compromise. This strategy, however, underestimated Austria-Hungary's determination and the pre-existing European tensions. 4. Austria-Hungary's Rejection and the Path to War Regardless of Serbia's partial acceptance, Austria-Hungary declared the response unsatisfactory. This pre-planned rejection triggered the mobilization of the Austro-Hungarian army, initiating a chain reaction of escalating military preparations across Europe. Russia, Serbia's ally, mobilized in support, drawing in Germany, Austria-Hungary's ally, and subsequently France and Great Britain. 5. Analyzing the Failure of Diplomacy: A Step-by-Step Breakdown The failure of diplomacy stemmed from several interconnected factors: Step 1: Unrealistic Demands: The ultimatum's impossible demands precluded a peaceful resolution. Step 2: Lack of Good Faith: Austria-Hungary never intended to accept a Serbian concession. The ultimatum was designed to provoke war. Step 3: Alliance System: The rigid alliance system meant a localized

conflict was highly unlikely. Each nation's mobilization triggered a response from its allies. Step 4: Miscalculation of International Pressure: Austria-Hungary underestimated the international pressure that would mount against them. Step 5: Missed Opportunities for Mediation: Opportunities for international mediation and de-escalation were squandered due to mistrust and entrenched positions. Conclusion: The Austrian-Hungarian ultimatum to Serbia, a product of imperial ambition, nationalist fervor, and a rigid alliance system, stands as a prime example of failed diplomacy and the disastrous consequences of escalating tensions. The ultimatum's impossible demands, coupled with Austria-Hungary's pre-determined rejection, effectively sealed the fate of Europe and plunged the world into the Great War. Understanding its intricacies is crucial to learning from historical mistakes and promoting conflict resolution. FAQs: 1. Could Serbia have avoided war by fully accepting the ultimatum? No. Even full compliance wouldn't have satisfied Austria-Hungary, as the ultimatum was primarily intended to provoke a war. 2. What role did Germany play in the crisis? Germany provided Austria-Hungary with a "blank check" of support, encouraging aggressive action and guaranteeing its backing regardless of the consequences. 3. Was the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand the sole cause of World War I? While the assassination was the immediate trigger, underlying tensions, nationalism, imperialism, and the complex alliance system were the deeper, more significant causes. 4. How did the ultimatum impact public opinion in different countries? Public opinion in Serbia was understandably enraged, fueling nationalistic sentiment. In Austria-Hungary, a wave of jingoism fueled support for the war. In other countries, opinions were divided, but many recognized the ultimatum's problematic nature. 5. What lessons can be learned from the Austrian-Hungarian ultimatum? The ultimatum highlights the dangers of aggressive diplomacy, unrealistic demands, and a lack of good faith in international relations. Effective conflict resolution requires open communication, mutual respect, and a commitment to peaceful solutions.

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