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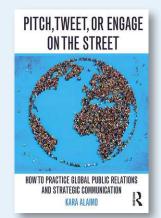
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From the Publisher: As Routledge's new text for public diplomacy courses, this book offers a modern guide for how to practice strategic communication around the globe. Drawing upon interviews with professionals in over 30 countries as well as author Kara Alaimo's own experience as a practitioner in the United Nations and in US President Barack Obama's administration, this book explains how to craft public diplomacy strategies, messages, and tactics for countries and cultures around the globe.



The book includes a dedicated chapter on public diplomacy by governments. It also explains key cultural differences which require practitioners to adapt their approaches before taking readers on a tour of the world, explaining how to develop campaigns for Asia-Pacific, Europe, the Middle East, the Americas, and Sub-Saharan Africa. Along the way, readers are introduced to practitioners around the world and case studies of particularly successful campaigns—from a communication "siege" that successfully ended an epidemic of violence in Kenya to the radical approach to transparency on Sweden's official Twitter handle which has captivated audiences around the globe. \blacksquare

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Global Geopolitical Power and African Political and Economic Institutions: When Elephants Fight John James Quinn Lexington

From the Author: This book describes the emergence and nature of the prevailing African political and economic institutions in two periods. In the first, most countries adopted political and economic institutions that funneled significant levels of political and economic power to the political elites. In the second period, most countries adopted institutions that diluted the overarching political and economic power of ruling elites, though significant political and economic power remains in their

hands. The choices made in each period were consistent with prevailing ideas on governance and development, the self-interests of political elites, and the perceived availability of support or autonomy vis-à-vis domestic, regional, and international sources of power at the time.

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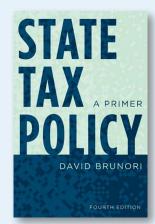
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From the Publisher: State tax systems are in trouble. Revenue collecting methods developed more than one half century ago are straining to deal with twenty-first century economies. Globalization and e-commerce are changing the way people work and purchase goods; devolution has steadily shifted responsibility from the federal government to the states; and tax incentives have become the weapon of choice in the battle to attract business investment. All of this, in an environment where anti-tax messages have become a staple of political campaigns, have



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