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How Many Is Too Many?

By : Philip Cafaro
From the stony streets of Boston to the rail lines of California, from General Relativity to Google, one of the surest truths of our history is the fact that America has been built by immigrants. The phrase itself has become a steadfast campaign line, a motto of optimism and good will, and indeed it is the rallying cry for progressives today who fight against tightening our borders. This is all well and good, Philip Cafaro thinks, for the America of the past—teeming with resources, opportunities, and wide open spaces—but America isn’t as young as it used to be, and the fact of the matter is we can’t afford to take in millions of people anymore. We’ve all heard this argument before, and one might think Cafaro is toeing the conservative line, but here’s the thing: he’s not conservative, not by a long shot. He’s as progressive as they come, and it’s progressives at whom he aims with this book’s startling message: massive immigration simply isn’t consistent with progressive ideals. Cafaro roots his argument in human rights, equality, economic security, and environmental sustainability—hallmark progressive values. He shows us the undeniable realities of mass migration to which we have turned a blind eye: how flooded labor markets in sectors such as meatpacking and construction have driven down workers’ wages and driven up inequality; how excessive immigration has fostered unsafe working conditions and political disempowerment; how it has stalled our economic maturity by keeping us ever-focused on increasing consumption and growth; and how it has caused our cities and suburbs to sprawl far and wide, destroying natural habitats, driving other species from the landscape, and cutting us off from nature. In response to these hard-hitting truths, Cafaro lays out a comprehensive plan for immigration reform that is squarely in line with progressive political goals. He suggests that we shift enforcement efforts away from border control and toward the employers who knowingly hire illegal workers. He proposes aid and foreign policies that will help people create better lives where they are. And indeed he supports amnesty for those...
who have, at tremendous risk, already built their lives here. Above all, Cafaro attacks our obsession with endless material growth, offering in its place a mature vision of America, not brimming but balanced, where all the different people who constitute this great nation of immigrants can live sustainably and well, sheltered by a prudence currently in short supply in American politics.

**2018: ¿AMLO Presidente?**

By: José Antonio Crespo

Ante la posibilidad real de que Andrés Manuel López Obrador en esta ocasión si logre el triunfo en las elecciones presidenciales de 2018, José Antonio Crespo hace una reflexión, análisis y evaluación de su peculiar visión sobre la problemática nacional, su diagnóstico en diversos temas y las soluciones que propone en sus escritos, conferencias, mítines y declaraciones a los medios. El libro, también incluye una valoración de las condiciones que actualmente pueden jugar a favor de López Obrador bajo distintos escenarios a partir de variables todavía por despejar, sin dejar de lado aquellas que podrían nuevamente frustrar su tercer intento por acceder al poder presidencial. El autor analiza algunas de las condiciones que podrían favorecer al candidato de Morena en mayor medida que en otras ocasiones, sin apartar del tintero las variables existentes que juegan en su contra. La moneda está en el aire, y no es posible saber con certeza de qué lado caerá. Por lo pronto, no está por demás conocer las propuestas hechas por Andrés Manuel en caso de alcanzar la presidencia, y su viabilidad.

**Pensamento diplomático brasileiro**

By: José Vicente de Sá Pimentel

Os três volumes aqui reunidos tratam, sucessivamente, das concepções fundadoras do pensamento diplomático da política internacional da Primeira República e, por fim, da reforma do Estado e da modernização da diplomacia. vinte e seis autores, acadêmicos e diplomatas analisam a contribuição ao longo desses três períodos, de vinte e seis notáveis personagens da história diplomática do Brasil, numa obra que pretende se converter em referência para todos os que interessam pela política externa brasileira.

**Istruzioni per diventare fascisti**

By: Michela Murgia

«Essere democratici è una fatica immane. Significa fare i conti con la complessità, fornire al maggior numero di persone possibile gli strumenti per decodificare e interpretare il presente, garantire spazi e modalità di partecipazione a chiunque voglia servirse ne per migliorare lo stare insieme. Inoltre non a tutti interessa essere democratici. A dire il vero, se guardiamo all'Italia di oggi, sembra che non interessi più a nessuno, tanto meno alla politica. Allora perché continuiamo a perdere tempo con la democrazia quando possiamo prendere una scorciatoia più rapida e sicura? Il fascismo non è un sistema collaudato che garantisce una migliore gestione dello Stato, meno costosa, più veloce ed efficiente?» Dando prova di un'incredibile capacità dialettica, Michela Murgia usa sapientemente la provocazione, il paradosso e l'ironia per invitarcì ad alzare la guardia contro i pesanti relitti del passato che inquinano il presente. E ci mette davanti a uno specchio, costringendoci a guardare negli occhi la parte più nera che alberga in ciascuno di noi.

**Manifesto del partito comunista**

By: Karl Marx & Friedrich Engels

Hanno meno di trent'anni Karl Marx e Friedrich Engels, nel 1848, quando scrivono il "Manifesto del partito comunista": un pugno di pagine all'inizio senza fortuna, poi destinate a cambiare il mondo. Un testo che nel 1989, anno della crisi ufficiale del comunismo, risulta pubblicato in oltre duecento
lingue e in mezzo miliardo di copie. Storia e lotta di classe, borghesia e proletariato, lavoro e libertà, proprietà privata e sfruttamento, partito e rivoluzione, capitalismo e comunismo: questi i nodi cruciali di un’idea di uomo, politica e società che ha segnato la carne viva del Novecento. E che oggi sembra scomparsa dalla faccia della Terra, lasciando campo libero a un capitalismo globale, privo di opposizione organizzata. Gli articoli di fede, rabbia e speranza scanditi nel "Manifesto" risultano così, insieme, fuori tempo massimo e più che mai attuali. Perché esortano a immaginare che il capitalismo possa ancora venire messo in questione, in un’epoca apparentemente senza alternative.

**Kauutilya's Arthashastra**

**By : Chanakya**
The Arthashastra is an ancient Indian treatise on statecraft, economic policy and military strategy which identifies its author by the names 'Kauutilya' and 'Vishnugupta', both names that are traditionally identified with Chanakya (c. 350ñ283 BC), who was a scholar at Takshashila and the teacher and guardian of Emperor Chandragupta Maurya, the founder of Mauryan Empire.-Wikipedia

**Populism: A Very Short Introduction**

**By : Cas Mudde & Cristóbal Rovira Kaltw**
Populism is a central concept in the current media debates about politics and elections. However, like most political buzzwords, the term often floats from one meaning to another, and both social scientists and journalists use it to denote diverse phenomena. What is populism really? Who are the populist leaders? And what is the relationship between populism and democracy? This book answers these questions in a simple and persuasive way, offering a swift guide to populism in theory and practice. Cas Mudde and Cristóbal Rovira Kaltwasser present populism as an ideology that divides society into two antagonistic camps, the "pure people" versus the "corrupt elite," and that privileges the general will of the people above all else. They illustrate the practical power of this ideology through a survey of representative populist movements of the modern era: European right-wing parties, left-wing presidents in Latin America, and the Tea Party movement in the United States. The authors delve into the ambivalent personalities of charismatic populist leaders such as Juan Domingo Péron, H. Ross Perot, Jean-Marie le Pen, Silvio Berlusconi, and Hugo Chávez. If the strong male leader embodies the mainstream form of populism, many resolute women, such as Eva Péron, Pauline Hanson, and Sarah Palin, have also succeeded in building a populist status, often by exploiting gendered notions of society. Although populism is ultimately part of democracy, populist movements constitute an increasing challenge to democratic politics. Comparing political trends across different countries, this compelling book debates what the long-term consequences of this challenge could be, as it turns the spotlight on the bewildering effect of populism on today's political and social life.

**The United Nations, Peacebuilding, And the Genocide in Rwanda.**

**By : Global Governance**
The 1994 genocide in Rwanda continues to haunt the Western liberal conscience. And so indeed it should. Romeo Dallaire's powerful and disturbing recollection of his time as commander of UN peacekeeping forces in Rwanda in 1993 and 1994 makes for deeply distressing reading. Some two years after the launch of the much-heralded Agenda for Peace by UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, more than 800,000 people were slaughtered in Rwanda while UN member states dithered and failed to act. Nor is there any comfort to be found in the way that the UN Secretariat acquitted itself as the signs of impending disaster multiplied in late 1993 and early 1994. The experiences of Rwanda, recounted in harrowing detail by Dallaire, provide a necessary, if disheartening, perspective from which to examine the challenge of peacebuilding. Tom Keating and Andy Knight point to evidence of progress and learning over the past decade, but optimism remains
tempered by the shadow and memory of Rwanda. KEYWORDS: Rwanda, genocide, Dallaire, peacebuilding, UN. **********

**El engaño populista**

By: Axel Kaiser Barents-von Hohenhagen

Si Bolívar viviera hoy y pudiera ver lo que ha ocurrido en Venezuela, Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador, Brasil, Nicaragua, Cuba y Centroamérica, y constatara cómo la región por la que dio su vida se encuentra todavía a galaxias de distancia de los países desarrollados, su depresión probablemente lo llevaría al psiquiatra. A pesar de ciertos avances y señales esperanzadoras, el panorama general de la región es, en estos tiempos, desolador. El nivel de idiotiz, para usar el concepto de Álvaro Vargas Llosa, Plinio Apuleyo Mendoza y Carlos Alberto Montaner, parece haberse incrementado en muchas partes a pesar de todas las pruebas de que el populismo, sea de derecha o de izquierda, es un rotundo fracaso.

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