

(Mobile ebook) Economies in Transition: A Guide to China, Cuba, Mongolia, North Korea and Vietnam at the turn of the 21st Century (Routledge Studies in Development Economics)

Economies in Transition: A Guide to China, Cuba, Mongolia, North Korea and Vietnam at the turn of the 21st Century (Routledge Studies in Development Economics)

Ian Jeffries

*ePub | *DOC | audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF*



DOWNLOAD



+

READ ONLINE

Ian Jeffries : Economies in Transition: A Guide to China, Cuba, Mongolia, North Korea and Vietnam at the turn of the 21st Century (Routledge Studies in Development Economics) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised *Economies in Transition: A Guide to China, Cuba, Mongolia, North Korea and Vietnam at the turn of the 21st Century (Routledge Studies in Development Economics)*:

2 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Evolution of the LeftBy John C. LandonThe title says it all as this cogent work opens with a declaration of independence from sociobiology, and proceeds to a reexamination of social evolutionary thinking, the idea of 'evolution' in free fall. Ay there's the rub, what does the free floating concept of (social) evolution really mean, and what is its true relation with organismic evolution? This question has never found an answer, because even the theory of organismic evolution is incomplete. To escape the clutches of E.O. Wilson is not to escape those of S. J. Gould, and the assumptions of basic Darwinism still bedevil analysis even as the banishment of all ideas of progress simply compounds the confusion. For the idea of progress in the docket of ideology, in addition to its excision from all discussion of random evolution, leaves all in confusion. We should a more complex theory to explain progression in one form, as macroevolution, and the individual's actions, as freedom,in another, as a sort of microevolution. In any case, we are still 'looking for the answer',without the gimmicks of sociobiological reductionism and this book explores a host of interesting avenues in a liberating, though eclectic mix of themes from Veblen to Marx. Very stimulating work, and some real nose-thumbing at the Social Darwinist plot thickener from the right wing Darwin gang. Still, one is left with the question, where is the theory? A more universal history might give us the clue to an answer.

First Published in 2004. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor Francis, an informa company.

"I applaud the book's basic conception, its accessible language, and its manageable length... The dialogical format of the book was also an excellent idea... the authors have done an admirable job.."-Journal of Economic Issues About the AuthorWilliam M. Dugger is Professor of Economics at the University of Tulsa, USA. Howard J. Sherman is Professor Emeritus at the University of California, USA