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Comparing Media Systems Beyond the Western World offers a broad exploration of the conceptual foundations for comparative analysis of media and politics globally. It takes as its point of departure the widely used framework of Daniel C. Hallin and Paolo Mancini's Comparing Media Systems, exploring how the concepts and methods of their analysis do and do not prove useful when applied beyond the original focus of their "most similar systems" design and the West European and North American cases it encompassed. It is intended both to use a wider range of cases to interrogate and clarify the conceptual framework of Comparing Media Systems and to propose new models, concepts, and approaches that will be useful for dealing with non-Western media systems and with processes of political transition. Comparing Media Systems Beyond the Western World covers, among other cases, Brazil, China, Israel, Lebanon, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, and Thailand.

Addresses the widely discussed question of how the framework of Hallin and Mancini's well-known Comparing Media Systems does and does not apply outside of Western Europe and North America

Represents a pioneering contribution to the new field of comparative analysis of media systems and media and politics

Highly unusual in addressing a wide range of media systems through a common conceptual framework

Based on an unusual dialogue among scholars studying a wide range of different media systems, including both democratic and authoritarian systems and many that lie somewhere between

Explores key methodological questions about approaches to the comparative study of media and politics