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PREFACE

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Both Iran and the World have witnessed changes with profound effects in their past history as well as current events. Despite the antiquity of Iran's history, rich oil and gas resources, and monitoring of the strategic Persian Gulf, the country has enjoyed stability in its blend of religion and politics of social affairs in the face of profound change.

Contemporary international relations, known for its dominating principles of equal sovereignty and self-determination, is also undergoing change, the most obvious ones being the Soviet collapse, the "new world order," and globalization, all of which have affected Iran.

Everyone acknowledges the fact that as the universe, night and day, and the environment exposed to evolution and change, humans and human behavior and thus political phenomena and events are also changing and the study of these ups and downs, transformations and developments are yield to academics and researchers to study and think about them.

This book is to put emphasis on some contemporary developments in Iran and the world and to study its interactions by drawing the attention of think tanks in International Relations, Political Sciences and other experts in different scientific fields. We encourage outside thinkers to know the Islamic Republic of Iran from inside and make good contacts with Iranian scholars and professors in their research and their post graduate students works.

In a variety of subject developments in mystical vision of the Islamic Revolution in the discourse of Martyr Mortaza Motahhari, legal and ethical issues of human right to democracy, the nation-state system and Islam, Iran's religio-constitutional institutions in 20th century, Iran's admission policy of international students, Arab-Israeli conflict, development strategies in Iran and Algeria, Shanghais Cooperation Organization, authors attempts to explore some domestic developments in Iran as well as regional and global ones.