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Reforming Justice calls for justice to be repositioned more centrally in evolving notions of equitable development. Justice is fundamental to human well-being and essential to development. Over the past fifty years, however, official development assistance – foreign aid – has grappled with the challenge of improving the ‘rule of law’ around the world with often underwhelming and sometimes dismal results. Development agencies have supported legal and judicial reforms in order to improve economic growth and good governance, but are yet to address mounting concerns about equity and distribution. Building on new evidence from Asia, Livingston Armytage argues that there is now an imperative to realign the approach to promote justice as fairness and equity.

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