

## Immigrant Incorporation in East Asian Democracies

Despite labor shortages and rapidly shrinking working-age populations, Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan shared restrictive immigration policies and exclusionary practices toward immigrants until the early 2000s. While Taiwan maintained this trajectory, Japan took incremental steps to expand immigrant services at the grassroots level, and South Korea enacted sweeping immigration reforms. How did convergent policies generate these divergent patterns of immigrant incorporation? Departing from the dominant scholarship that focuses on culture, domestic political elites, and international norms, this book shows the important role of civil society actors – including immigrants themselves – in giving voice to immigrant interests, mobilizing immigrant actors, and shaping public debate and policy on immigration. Based on more than 150 in-depth interviews and focus groups with over 20 immigrant communities, *Immigrant Incorporation in East Asian Democracies* examines how the civic legacies of past struggles for democracy shape current movements for immigrant rights and recognition.

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## Conventions and Abbreviations

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ABT	Associação Brasileira de Toyohashi (Japan)
AEA	Adeyabeba Ethiopia Association (Japan)
AHRLIM	Alliance for Human Rights Legislation for Immigrants and Migrants (Taiwan)
AMC	Ansan Migrant Center (Korea)
APFS	Asian People's Friendship Society (Japan)
APRC	Alien Permanent Resident Certificate (Taiwan)
ARC	Alien Resident Certificate (Taiwan)
CCEJ	Citizens' Coalition for Economic Justice (Korea)
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
CERD	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination
CLA	Council on Labor Affairs (Taiwan)
DPP	Democratic Progressive Party (Taiwan)

DPRK	Democratic People's Republic of Korea
EPS	Employment Permit System (Korea)
FEWA	Filipino EPS Workers Association (Korea)
FG	focus group
HFCC	Hye-hwa-dong Filipino Catholic Community (Korea)
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
IIEAD	Immigrant Incorporation in East Asian Democracies
ITTP	Industrial and Technical Training System (Korea)
JCMK	Joint Committee for Migrant Workers in Korea
JFRV	Joining Family Resident Visa (Taiwan)
JITCO	Japan International Training Cooperation Organization
KCTU	Korean Confederation of Trade Unions
KFSB	Korean Federation of Small and Medium Businesses
KIS	Korea Immigration Service
KMT	Kuomintang (Taiwan)
KTUC	Korean Trade Unions Congress
LDP	Liberal Democratic Party (Japan)
MIC	Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (Japan)
MOI	Ministry of the Interior (Taiwan)
MOJ	Ministry of Justice (Japan and Korea)
MTU	Migrants' Trade Union (Korea)
NIA	National Immigration Agency (Taiwan)
NLD	National League for Democracy (Burma/Myanmar)
OKA	Overseas Korean Act
POLO	Philippine Overseas Labor Office
PROK	Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea
ROC	Republic of China
ROK	Republic of Korea
SME	small and medium-sized enterprises
SMJ	Solidarity Network with Migrants Japan
TASAT	TransAsia Sisters Association in Taiwan
TITP	Technical Intern Training Program (Japan)
TIWA	Taiwan International Workers' Association