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In the Xi Jinping era, it has become clear that the rule of law, as understood in the West, will not appear in China soon. But was this ever a likely option? This book argues that China's legal system needs to be studied from an internal perspective, to take into account the characteristic architecture of China's Party-state. To do so, it addresses two key elements: ideology and organisation. Part One of the book discusses ideology and the law, exploring how the Chinese Communist Party conceives of the nature of law and its position within its broader range of policy tools. Part Two, on organisation and the law, reviews how these ideological principles manifest themselves in the application of law, as well as the reform of the Party-state. As such, it highlights how the Party's plans and approaches run counter to mainstream theoretical expectations, and advocates a greater attention to the inherent logic of the system itself.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

BRICS	Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa
CASS	Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
CCDI	Central Commission for Discipline Inspection
CCP	Chinese Communist Party
CDA	critical discourse analysis
CDI	Commission of Discipline and Inspection
CGTN	China Global Television Network
CJFD	China Journal Articles Full-text Database
CPPCC	Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
CPSC	Central Party Supervision Commission
CPSU	Communist Party of the Soviet Union
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
GMD	Guomindang
MoS	Ministry of Supervision
MoU	memorandum of understanding
NDRC	National Development and Reform Commission
NGO	non-governmental organisation
NPC	National People's Congress
NSC	National Supervision Commission
PBoC	People's Bank of China
PeoSC	People's Supervision Commissions
PRC	People's Republic of China
PSC	Party Supervision Commission
SA	Sturmabteilung
SPC	Supreme People's Court
SPP	Supreme People's Procuratorate
USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
WTO	World Trade Organization