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J. BERGMANN / K. DIENELT / S. RÖSELER, *Ausländerrecht: Aufenthaltsgesetz und Freizügigkeitsgesetz/EU, Artikel 16a GG und Asylverfahrensgesetz sowie arbeits- und sozialrechtliche Vorschriften*, Verlag C.H. Beck, 2011, 2324 pp., ISBN: 978-3-406-57051-3

Given the sizable political focus on non-Schengen as well as intra-Schengen immigration to the *Bundesrepublik Deutschland* (Germany), surprisingly little is known, among laymen, of the nature of German 'foreigner law' and how the country's legal system handles the influx of newcomers. What, for example, entitles an individual to request asylum, and how is an asylum-seeker similar and/or different from a refugee? This book provides an in-depth and technical view of the various legal structures and policies in place through which the German as well as European Union governmental bodies simultaneously defend the human rights of these emigrants and control for illegal immigration. Covering a wide array of legal scenarios ranging from arrival, to integration, to freedom of movement, the authors give guiding commentary on the issues at hand and present to the reader a detailed glossary of terms as well as practice-related regulations and sources of European law.

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QIANFAN ZHANG, *The Constitution of China, A Contextual Analysis*, Hart Publishing, Oxford and Portland, Oregon, 2012, 316 pp., ISBN: 978-1-84113-740-7

The book is guiding us through the history of the Chinese Constitution in a readable way. We can divide the book into two parts: in the first part the author is guiding us through the crucial events of Chinese constitutional history placing them in a wider historical and social context together with explanations of the reasons why these events happened. The second part is dedicated to the Constitution as we know it nowadays. The author is explaining the relations between the institutions which are divided into several groups. An in-depth analysis of the development of human rights with examples of cases in China, Hong Kong and United States is included. The author analyses Chinese legislation and includes also some in-

ternational treaties signed by China. Overall, the book gives a great picture of the Chinese legislative history which is well connected with the present.

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