

Select Bibliography

This is a work of synthesis on a large scale that is the fruit of the widest reading of many books and articles. Due to considerations of length, I have decided to place this bibliography here online. Each section is based on a few key works, many of them recently published. In this selective bibliography, I have listed those key works by section and subject.

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