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Das Mittani-Reich war eine der großen imperialen Strukturen des Alten Orients im 2. Jahrtausend v.Chr. Es erstreckte sich von der Levante über Obermesopotamien bis an den Zagros. Doch noch immer ist das Wissen um Entstehung und die innere Verfasstheit dieses Staates begrenzt. In diesem Band untersuchen Altorientalisten, vorderasiatische Archäologen und Historiker das Verhältnis von älteren und zeitgenössischen Formen der Organisation des Territoriums - politisch, kulturell, gesellschaftlich - zu diesem neuen Staat.

The Mittani empire is one of the most enigmatic political structures in Mesopotamian history. Reconstructing the emergence and the organisation of this state, whose territory encompassed Upper Mesopotamia touching the Levant and the piedmont plains of the Zagros in the East at the height of its power, is exceedingly difficult. Cuneiform specialists, archeologists and historians discuss the Mittani state with regard to modes of spatial organisation co- and preexisting in the region.
