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one another and should thus be seen in tandem. This contrasts with the predominant approach in the transatlantic world, which attaches relatively greater importance to the military–economic linkage in the quest for influence. The case of Japan Japan has employed economic diplomacy as a central instrument of its foreign policy and quest for national security since the post-war period. The reconfiguration of regional and global power that started in the 1990's encouraged the Japanese government, in coordination and cooperation with the private sector, to reassess its economic diplomacy policy. Power shifts

**Economic Diplomacy: Japan and the Balance of National Interests** illuminates the debates underlying these shifts, the various ways by which Japan's reinvention of its economic diplomacy is implemented, and the consequences for Japanese foreign policy at large. Practical relevance The critical insights offered by the examination of Japan are pertinent for Western countries, as well as for other East Asian nations. They will be of interest to scholars and practitioners of diplomacy, international relations and international economic law and policy. This book is the ninth volume in the Diplomatic Studies series, edited by Jan Melissen and published by Brill, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers. For more information see [brill.com/economic-diplomacy-0](http://brill.com/economic-diplomacy-0).

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