Is there an Asia-Pacific model of democracy? Over the past two decades, numerous Asian and Pacific states have undergone transitions to democracy. One of the most distinctive aspects of democratization has been innovative forms of ‘political engineering’ in what are often highly diverse societies.

Emerging democracies in Northeast Asia, Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands have sought to manage political change by far-reaching reforms to electoral, parliamentary and party systems.

In this ambitious new book, Benjamin Reilly analyses the causes of this new approach to the design of democratic institutions, and its consequences for broader challenges of governance, conflict and development across the Asia-Pacific region.

The book will be launched by Professor Andrew MacIntyre, Director of the Crawford School of Economics and Government at the Australian National University.

Where: Level 3 Foyer | Sir Roland Wilson Building
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Light refreshments will be provided

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