The Asian Energy Factor: Myths And Dilemmas Of Energy, Security And The Pacific Future

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This article is adapted from his book *The Asian Energy Factor: Myths and Dilemmas of Energy, Security and the Pacific Future* (New York: St. Martins Press, 2000). Survival, vol. 42, no.3, Spring 2000, pp. 73â€“88 © The International Institute for Strategic Studies 74 Robert A. Manning, lacks a coherent economic rationale? The Asian economic crisis further delayed decision-making about energy security in the region. The negative synergy of excessive and misallocated capital flows; fixed exchange rates; and over-guaranteed, under-regulated and opaque domestic financial markets appears to have been the key factor that precipitated the crisis.

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