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It does what it says on the tin: it is a comprehensive handbook that anyone teaching studying or writing on the subject would find really useful ... this is a book that anyone teaching trade policy would want in their library. The editors have done a marvellous job and the volume is rewarding and a pleasure to dip into. Peter Holmes, *World Trade Review*

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