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I see that each article in the book clarifies many issues related to social sciences. Congratulations Tolga and Nalan.

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Summary

This study explores the intricate arrangements that serve the power and profit interests of the ruling classes. It examines how capital-driven approaches and life-colonizing construction goals form the backdrop to the events and analyses presented in these articles. Each contribution, regardless of its conclusion, begins with real-life experiences, interpreting specific theories and data through the lens of historical context. At the heart of the book lies the notion that all practices and elements of life are subject to colonization. Whether in the form of a nation-state or a party-state, the state functions as a power center shaping migration policies to serve ruling-class interests. The articles included were carefully selected by the editor. While some emphasize the concept of identity—an approach the editor may not fully endorse—these pieces were chosen to reflect a diversity of thought and to model the kind of genuine democracy that remains absent in today's world. It is important to note that the book rejects any ideologies that violate human rights, such as fascism, racism, homophobia, misogyny, and xenophobia. This collection offers a compelling examination of themes including immigration, capitalism, and the media.

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