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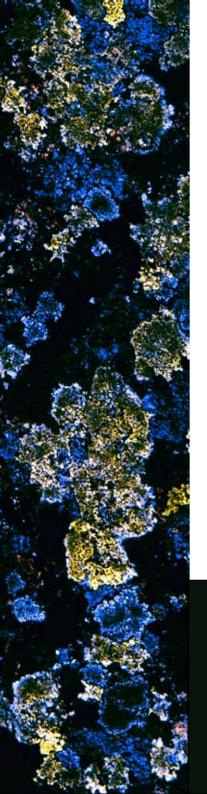
The Åland Example and Its Components

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While conflict resolution literature covers a wide area of subjects, there has been limited attention paid to the role of territorial autonomy as a possible conflict resolution tool. Moving beyond the formal aspects of the division of competences between center and periphery, the present book achieves a dual goal. It develops an analytical tool for understanding the durability and robustness of evolving autonomy arrangements.

Further it documents and analyses how the Åland Example and its three major components (autonomy, demilitarization and language and culture safeguards) have been used in specific disputes and conflict situations, including in the Caucasus, in Kashmir, in Japan, in East Timor, Tibet and the Israel-Palestine conflict. The book represents a unique combination of theoretical insights with the experiences of well-known diplomats and politicians.





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