

Protean Power

Exploring the Uncertain and Unexpected in World Politics

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Despite repeatedly being surprised by unexpected change, mainstream international relations continues to assume that the world is governed by calculable risk based on estimates of power. *Protean Power* highlights and challenges this assumption by arguing for the acknowledgment of uncertainty as an important condition of political and social life.



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