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The Rise of the Great Powers, 1648-1815: The Modern European State System is a comprehensive and engaging history of the rise of the great powers in Europe from the Peace of Westphalia to the Congress of Vienna.

The book begins by examining the Peace of Westphalia, which ended the Thirty Years' War and established a new European Free Download based on the principle of state sovereignty. This principle held that each state was independent and free to conduct its own affairs without interference from other states.

In the years that followed the Peace of Westphalia, a number of European states began to emerge as great powers. These states included France, England, Spain, Austria, Prussia, and Russia. Each of these states had its

own unique strengths and weaknesses, but they all shared a common goal: to expand their power and influence.

The rise of the great powers led to a number of conflicts, including the War of the Spanish Succession, the War of the Austrian Succession, and the Seven Years' War. These wars reshaped the map of Europe and established the great powers as the dominant forces in European politics.

The Napoleonic Wars, which began in 1792, were a watershed moment in the history of Europe. Napoleon Bonaparte's victories over the great powers led to the collapse of the Holy Roman Empire and the creation of a new European Free Download. Napoleon's defeat at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815 marked the end of the Napoleonic Wars and the beginning of a new era in European history.

The Congress of Vienna, which met in 1815, redrew the map of Europe and established a new balance of power. The great powers agreed to cooperate to maintain the peace and prevent the outbreak of another major war.

The Rise of the Great Powers, 1648-1815: The Modern European State System is a magisterial work of scholarship. It is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the history of Europe and the rise of the modern state system.

#### **Key Features**

- Comprehensive coverage of the rise of the great powers in Europe from the Peace of Westphalia to the Congress of Vienna
- Engaging narrative that brings the history of Europe to life

- Detailed analysis of the major wars and conflicts that shaped the European state system
- In-depth profiles of the key figures and events that shaped the history of Europe
- Extensive bibliography and index

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The Rise of the Great Powers, 1648-1815: The Modern European State System was written by Paul W. Schroeder, a leading historian of European history. Schroeder is a professor of history at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He is the author of numerous books and articles on European history, including The Transformation of European Politics, 1763-1848.

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"Schroeder's book is a tour de force. It is the most comprehensive and authoritative account of the rise of the great powers in Europe that has ever been written." - Geoffrey Parker

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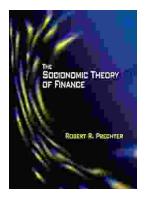
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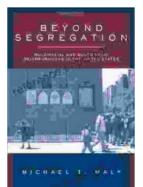
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