Ageing and Pension Reform Around the World
Evidence from Eleven Countries

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This book comprehensively documents developments in pension policy in eleven advanced industrial countries in Western Europe, East Asia and North America.

In order to explore what population ageing means for the sustainability of pension systems, the authors present a detailed review of pension policy making over the past two decades and provide up-to-date analysis of current pension legislation. They examine the factors that can facilitate or impede the adaptation of pension systems and the features that shape and determine reforms. They also highlight the fact that although the path of reform taken by each country is somewhat different, the processes at work are often very similar.

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