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Abstract	The Fifth Dragon recounts the phenomenal economic development of the Pearl River Delta, the economic powerhouse of Guangdong and the crown jewel of the Chinese economy. Fifteen years of hypergrowth have transformed the Delta from an obscure agricultural region into an industrial economy with dramatic impacts on world trade and investments. The Fifth Dragon is an essential guide for anyone doing business in this newly important region.
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The Pearl River Delta Metropolitan Region is the low-lying area surrounding the Pearl River estuary, where the Pearl River flows into the South China Sea. It is one of the most densely urbanized regions in the world, and is often considered as a megacity. It is now the wealthiest region in South China and one of the wealthiest in the whole China along with Yangtze River Delta in East China and Jingjinji in North China. The region's economy is referred to as Pearl River Delta Economic Zone, it is also The Pearl River Delta is the southernmost of China's three main coastal economic centers. Over one-fifth (21%) of the Chinese population lives in these 3 clusters, and 40% of the GDP is produced here. [vi]. Besides the Pearl River Delta, such typical multi-centered city regions include the Manila agglomeration at the Philippines (consisting of 85 municipalities) and the Tokyo agglomeration (with 240 municipalities from seven prefectures). [xvii] The study prepared by UN-HABITAT on global urbanization in 2016 pays close attention to the so-called megaregions: to such regions evolving through the close cooperation of cities that. This paper discusses the rapid growth of the Pearl River Delta in the southern province of Guangdong in China, not only as part of a national development strategy but also in terms of the creation of a super zone with the neighbouring areas, particularly Hong Kong. This paper shows the success of the development of the coastal region of Guangdong province and the creation of a megalopolis between the cities of Shenzhen and Hong Kong. This success is explained by the synergy created between these two neighbouring areas, particularly after Hong Kong's reunification with China in 1997 and the Clo