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Designing Indicators for a Plural Legal World

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SUMMARY. — *Designing Indicators for a Plural Legal World* is a book dealing with the role of legal indicators and their impact on law and development, and on judicial reform This book examines how different institutions shape and influence the making and use of legal indicators and how this affects the functioning of legal systems around the world.

Through its attention to debates of legal pluralism, the book inquires whether existing indicator frameworks perpetuate a particular notion of a well-functioning justice system and investigates whether these indicators advance a state centric form of measurement grounded in western normative considerations. It explores whether legal indicators can capture local legal systems that already exist in plural legal orders or whether the targets and values they prescribe are inapplicable to the context of plural legal worlds. It offers an alternative path to developing indicators that maps the experiences and realities of justice users and how they resolve their grievances through plural and competing dispute resolution processes.

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