

# Paperback edition just out!



Routledge has finally decided to bring out *The Mechanics of Modernity* [in a paperback edition](#). Yippie! The hardback was just far, far too expensive (180 dollars US). The paperback is expensive too, but at least it's a price – 45 dollars – someone but a library conceivably could be imagined to pay.

Btw, Ulrike Schuerkens at [Ecole des Hautes Etudes](#) in Paris has written a review of the book in [Anthropos](#). She says “Ringmars approach is historical, the book is a pleasant and exciting reading for those interested in modernization and development.” Apparently she's using the book in her classes. How nice of her! [The whole review is here](#).

March 25 update: I just got hold of a copy. The cover still looks really, really boring, but the text is nicely presented and it all looks very solid and scholarly. All my books can't have dragons on them, I guess. I need to be taken serious as a scholar. Ha, ha, ha.