
The intercultural dialogue between Western and East Asian intellectuals has been affected by the intellectual consequences of the debate on international terrorism. Continuing a well-known dialogue project, which has been undertaken by the Center for European Integration Studies (ZEI) together with the Hermann und Marianne Straniak Foundation, well-known scholars from Europe and East Asia, in the light of current circumstances complemented by weighty statements from both the USA and the Arab world, present reflections on the intersection of concepts of human rights, cultural interpretations, and the problem of violence. The unique character of this anthology stems from the dialogic annotation that was given to the articles by authors from different cultural areas. This volume serves as a pioneering contribution to an authentic dialogue of cultures.