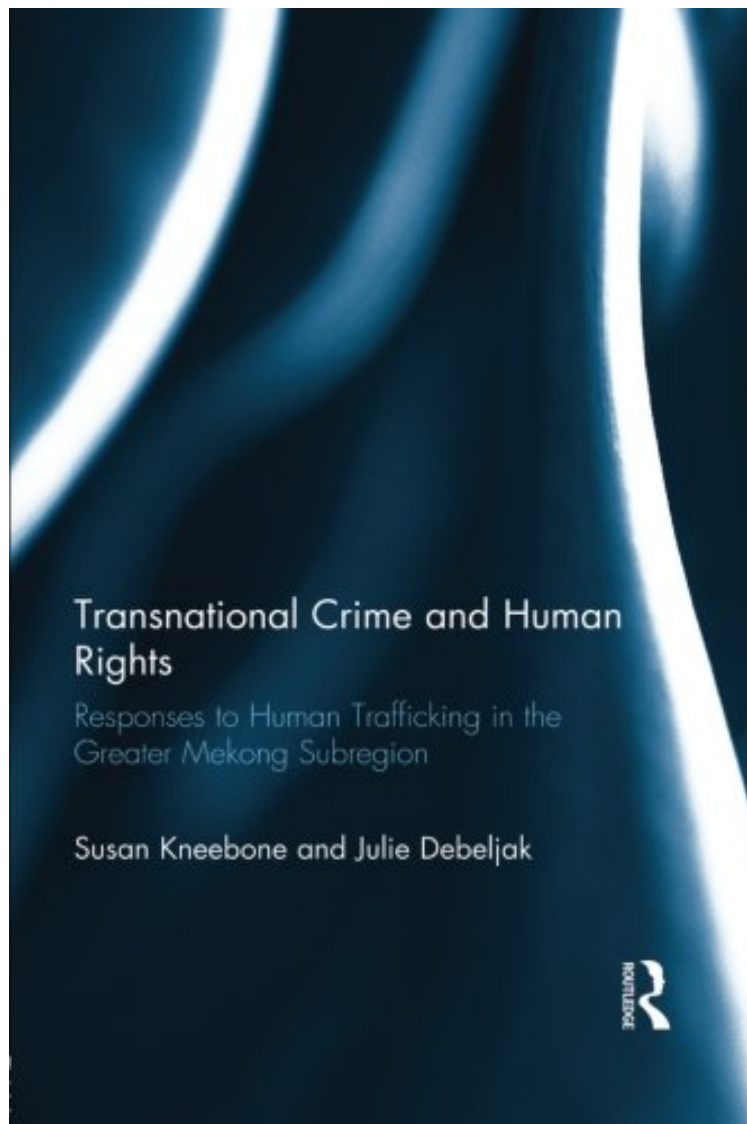


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This book is an important contribution which advances not only scholarship in this area, but has the potential to shape the thinking of a range of actors working on an issue of great significance in our region. Laurie Berg, University of Technology, Sydney, for Australian International Law Journal 'Transnational Crime and Human Rights: Responses to Human Trafficking in the Greater Mekong Subregion deepens our understanding of antitrafficking discourse and policy responses at the global and regional GMS levels. Moreover, its contextualization of the human trafficking issue within the context of migration and exploitative labor is demonstrative of the welcome shift that is taking place in the broader anti-trafficking rubric. This volume will be particularly useful for any audience interested in anti-trafficking practice. Kneebone and Debeljaks research will also be appealing to readers interested in the complex relationship between different levels of analysis in international relations as well as normative development and compliance.' - Naomi Atkins, Australian National University, Australia for Asian Politics Policy

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