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Preface

In May 2008, the Saw Centre for Financial Studies, NUS Business School, and the East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore jointly organized the International Conference on China's Regional Economic Development: Cooperation, Challenges and Opportunities. The fourteen chapters included in this book consist of a selection of thirteen papers presented in the conference and subsequently revised for publication. Chapter 1 was specifically written by the volume editors to present the salient features of the subject covered in the book.

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List of Abbreviations

AFTA	ASEAN Free Trade Area
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
BVI	British Virgin Islands
CEPA	Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement
CEPT	Common Effective Preferential Tariff
CSSD	China-Singapore SIP Development Corporation
CSSIP	China-Singapore Suzhou Industrial Park
EAI	East Asian Institute
EDB	Economic Development Board
EPZs	export processing zones
ETDZ	Economic Technological Development Zone
FTA	Free Trade Agreement
IMT-GT	Indonesia-Malaysia-Thailand Growth Triangle
ISI	Integrated Outsourcing Initiative
JSC	Joint Steering Council
JWC	Joint Working Committee
PRD	Pearl River Delta
SARs	Special Administrative Regions
SEZs	Special Economic Zones
SIP	Suzhou Industrial Park
SND	Suzhou New District
TBNA	Tianjin Binhai New Area
YRD	Yangtze River Delta

