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- Some broad distinctions between society cultures, law and political regime of different nations.
- Models of the variety of national political-economy and state strategies towards (including the famous ‘Varieties of Capitalism’ debate on distinction between coordinated [social-] market and liberal market economy, Litan et al’s on the ‘four kinds of capitalism’, Palan et al on various ‘state Strategies’, theory of the ‘Developmental State’ model of East Asia and ‘Authoritarian’ capitalism[Russia, China and others])
- Debate about vices and virtues of the various models of national capitalism (are liberal markets more innovative, are social markets more cohesive and quality-oriented, is mercantilist developmentalism necessary for catch-up but not good for innovation?)
- Do the varieties of capitalism compete or clash with each other in a globalized world?

Dicken, P. (2010). Global shift: mapping the changing contours of the world economy (6th ed.) London: Sage Publications. Chapter 6 (pp 170-187Preview the document).

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Deals with: the continued importance of states and nations, cultural differences, dimensions of national/policy difference, different models of developed country capitalism)

Gilpin, R. (2011). Global Political Economy. Princeton University Press. Chapter 7 ‘National Systems of Political Economy’ pp1 174-195Preview the document

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Dealing with following questions: What is the significance of different systems of capitalism, are some better? Do the systems compete, and do nations compete?

Is there convergence of the models—perhaps because of globalisation or the superiority of one?