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Scholarly discourse on nationalism and internationalism generally views the two concepts as mutually exclusive in a given political space. Sluga (Univ. of Sydney, Australia) contributes to the discourse by tracing the history of internationalism in the context of its relationship to nationalism. Although her study has a global range and includes a consideration of writings from the 19th century, the main focus is on the writing of Western thinkers and political figures of the interwar period and the decades following WWII—the "apogee of internationalism." Essentially a history of the interaction between national sovereignty and ideas and proposals for various forms of international community, Sluga's study includes a consideration of the most recent challenges to state sovereignty, notably the principle of "responsibility to protect." The principle militates for international intervention in case of genocide, ethnic cleansing, or other crimes against humanity. The book is recommended to those interested in a history of ideas of internationalist reasoning and projects, both realized and unrealized. Summing Up: Recommended.

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