

A Confucian New Tianxia Model

AND ITS SUPERIORITY TO THE NATION-STATE & LIBERAL MODELS



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Inspired by ancient Confucian wisdom, Prof. Tongdong Bai proposes a new model of state identity and international order, the one of 'Tianxia' (天下, all under Heaven), and argues its superiority to the current nation-state and liberal models.

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