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This comprehensive volume presents key contributions to the topic of regional economic advantage. The gathered literature helps the reader to understand how regions build advantage for industrial development through the use of endogenous and exogenous resources, how regional industrial development can be supported by place-based policy, and how the form and mechanisms of regional advantage change over time in a path dependent manner. Articles within each section are presented in chronological order, from research on industrial districts and new industrial spaces to regional clusters and innovation systems, along with more recent discussion of global development impulses and evolutionary perspectives on regional development. Together with an introductory chapter by the editors, this important collection is an essential resource for those studying, researching or practicing in this area.