



**Comparative experiences in establishing Special Status regions, or territorial autonomies** (Special Autonomous, Administrative regions). Comparative Special Status laws and provisions for such Regions. Core features of such Special Status regions. Use of Special Status and substantial territorial autonomies to manage conflicts/crisis over regional specificities, peculiarities. Asymmetrical devolution to different constituent parts/regions within States.

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