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1 General assessment of the state of the world on the eve of the establishment of the Safavid state. The author surveys the tumultuous period following the breakup of the Il-Khanid state, and discusses the rise of the Ottomans to the west and of the Uzbegs to the east, both Sunni states that posed a threat to the Safavids. One of his conclusions is that the newly founded state was poorly equipped to rise to the challenge posed by a Europe engaged in political and commercial experimentation and renewal.

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