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According to the United Nations, today around 214 million people live outside their countries of birth. Migration between developing countries is now as frequent as migration between developing and more developed countries. The World Bank estimates that remittances—the quintessential by-product of migration—to developing countries account for more than \$370 billion, while in the political arena, migration is the ever-present topic both in national and local elections. In sum, international migration has become a key part of globalization, permeating the lives not only of migrants but also of millions more who haven't themselves migrated.

This book focuses on one particular feature of migration: its impact on development. It also examines the various channels through which migration permeates the economic, cultural, social, and political structures in both migrant-sending and -receiving countries. The goal of the book is to highlight the complex nature of the developmental implications of migration by providing new perspectives that address some of the challenges and harness some of the opportunities associated with international migration and development.

The book is divided into three parts. The four chapters in part 1 examine the causal links between demographic and development transitions, the role of the state in shaping migration and how migration shapes politics and the state, and culture and human rights in the migration-

development debate. Part 2 focuses on migration, children, women, and development and on how families and local communities are reconfigured as a response to migration. The book closes with a part exploring migration's developmental impacts on various migration corridors, portraying not only a different geographic focus but illustrating the nuanced and context-dependent nature of migration's developmental impacts.

This volume is written for a very diverse set of audiences, from government and elected officials to academics, civil society, and practitioners. Its multidisciplinary nature stresses the need to focus on substantive as well as practical issues needed for designing and implementing migration and development policies that will ensure that migration has the most positive impacts both in the communities that migrants leave behind and in those that become their new homes.

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