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This book covers the issue of global migration flows, with a particular focus on irregular migration. It presents and evaluates the principal drivers, as well as recent policies implemented to handle these flows in East and South Asia, the European Union and the United States.

Crucially, the chapters explore how different actors interact in using or promoting migratory flows from a humanitarian, political, criminal and security point of view. The book draws attention to the fundamental role played by migrant-smuggling mafias, their growing transformation and transnationalism, and the inadequate response and adaptation of state policies and police forces. It also highlights the increasing use of migration by various states in their policies of influence — if not aggression — towards third countries in the absence of a clear deterrent response. Looking to the future, the book highlights the growing importance of the complex issue of environmentally induced migration.

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Readership: This book is suitable for advanced undergraduate and graduate students in International Relations, Migration Studies, Security Studies, Foreign Policies, Regional Studies and Globalization. It is also suitable for researchers in these disciplines as well as professionals in diplomacy, demography, security and intelligence.



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