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	<p>From Inside Brazil: Development in the Land of Contrasts By: Vinod Thomas ISBN10: 0-8213-6455-3 20.50 GBP Publication Date: February 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>From Inside Brazil lays out a number of messages of interest to Brazilian and international audiences. First, improving equity across the population is not only essential for social progress, but also key to achieving higher economic growth. Second, growth can be sparked by strong improvements in productivity, especially the productivity of the large percentage of people that are excluded from the production process. Third, investing in natural resources too is essential for supporting growth that is more inclusive of the poorer segments of the population, as these resources represent a large part of the assets of the poor. Fourth, this socio-economic agenda will get a large boost if political reform were carried out with urgency.</p>
	<p>Poverty Reduction and Growth: Virtuous and Vicious Circles By: Guillermo E. Perry, J. Humberto Lopez, William F. Maloney, Omar Arias and Luis Serven Publisher: World Bank 238 pp Hardback 0-8213-6511-8 20.50 GBP</p> <p>Poverty Reduction and Growth is about the existence of these vicious circles in Latin America and the Caribbean about the ways and means to convert them into virtuous circles in which poverty reduction and high growth reinforce each other. Through its analysis of fresh data and the attention it pays to issues such as the persistent inequality in the region, the role played by various microdeterminants of income, and the potential existence of human capital underinvestment traps, this title should be a valuable contribution to the current regional debate on poverty and growth, a debate that is critical to the design of policies conducive to enhancing welfare in all its dimensions among the poor of Latin America and the Caribbean.</p>
	<p>Empowerment in Practice: From Analysis to Implementation By: Ruth Alsop, Mette Bertelsen, and Jeremy Holland Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: December 2005 388 pp Hardback: 0-8213-6450-2 23.95 GBP</p> <p>This document offers an excellent explanation of the concept of empowerment and develops a very useful framework for disentangling and clarifying the concept. It is both practical and well justified on the basis of the literature. The approach and survey instruments developed to measure empowerment are innovative and very useful. Developing an approach to empirically measure empowerment, and to track empowerment indicators over time in a way that is operationally feasible and consistent with World Bank standards is certainly an outstanding achievement</p>



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Cities in a Globalizing World: Governance, Performance, and Sustainability

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In a world moving very rapidly on both urbanization and globalization, cities in the developing world face both serious challenges and attractive opportunities. They can reap the benefits of economic growth by creating an enabling investment climate: well-functioning markets, institutions that support sound governance and regulatory regimes, and public infrastructure and social services. At the same time they can create an environment where their citizens are both included and empowered. And because cities do not exist in isolation, urban policies and programs must also be coordinated with national initiatives.

Cities in a Globalizing World not only raises our awareness of issues that can only become still more pressing and still more critical to growth and equity in this century; it also provides important and valuable analyses of options for public action."



Consensus, Confusion, and Controversy: Selected Land Reform Issues in Sub-Saharan Africa

By: Rogier van den Brink, Hans Binswanger, John W. Bruce, Glen Thomas, and Frank

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Land reform can be divided broadly into land tenure reform (the establishment of secure and formalized property rights in land) and land redistribution (the transfer of land from large to small farmers). This paper therefore is in two parts. The first part focuses on property rights, giving a short narrative of some of the key land tenure and land policy issues. Though these issues remain politically sensitive, a solid consensus is emerging on how to deal with them?but only once the confusion is cleared up surrounding private common property and formal and informal rights. The second part addresses redistributive land reform?the redistribution of property rights in land from large to small farmers. A heightened sense of urgency surrounds the need to address land redistribution, especially in the former settler colonies in southern Africa, but controversy exists regarding the appropriate implementation mechanisms. The study highlights the case of South Africa, because success there would have tremendous regional and international implications for land redistribution. A policy framework for redistributive land reform is outlined, within which the competing paradigms compete where it actually matters?on the round.



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	<p>Approaches to Private Participation in Water Services: A Toolkit by John O'Farrell Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: January 2006 344pp ISBN: 0-8213-6111-2 34.50 GBP</p> <p>Approaches to Private Participation in Water Services is an informative toolkit that provides options for the design of policies to facilitate the delivery of good quality water and sanitation services to the poor. It highlights the need for tariffs, investment, stakeholder consultation, and regulatory policies to address the affordability and sustainability of those services. Targeted to an audience that includes government advisors as well as consultants, lawyers, and donors, the toolkit builds on previous global experience in private participation in water and sanitation supply. Developing country governments and those interested in private participation in water and sanitation supply will find this toolkit an invaluable resource.</p>
	<p>Climate Variability and Water Resources Degradation in Kenya: Improving Water Resources Development and Management By: Hezron Mogaka, Samuel Gichere, Richard Davis, and Rafik Hirji Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: January 2006 128pp Hardback 0-8213-6517-7 10.50 GBP</p> <p>The report, based on a complex analytical methodology, provides a clear economic rationale for investing in improved water resources development and management in Kenya. It is part of the World Bank's policy dialogue on water resources management reforms and investment planning in Kenya. It focuses on the economic implications of two key factors that make the economy and people of Kenya highly vulnerable the effects of climate variability and the steady degradation of the nation's water resources.</p>
	<p>Reengaging in Agricultural Water Management: Challenges and Options Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: February 2006 240 pp ISBN: 0-8213-6498-7 17.50 GBP</p> <p>In order to face the challenge of disappointing returns on public investment in irrigation and drainage new solutions have emerged. These solutions are based on widely available technology and new management and governance options.</p> <p>The main message of Reengaging in Agricultural Water Management is that the irrigation and drainage sector should not continue to be dealt with as a stand-alone sector, but should be integrated into a broader perspective, one that embraces the objectives of productivity growth, poverty reduction, natural resources management and environmental protection.</p>



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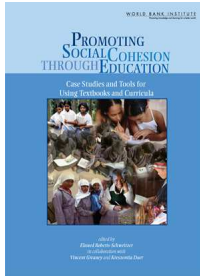
	<p>Bridging Diversity: Participatory Learning for Responsive Development By: Lawrence F. Salmen and Eileen Kane Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: January 2006 ISBN: 0-8213-6336-0 17.50 GBP</p>
	<p>Today, one of the central tenets of development is the necessity for learning about and building upon stakeholders' and beneficiaries' insights, needs, culture, social organization, resources and active participation. Bridging Diversity clarifies the myriad approaches to social research being used in the World Bank today. The focus is on participatory research as presently practiced and as a potential for forms of research which are not now particularly participatory. It makes a number of recommendations to enhance the utility of social research in and outside of the Bank.</p>

	<p>A New Social Contract for Peru: An Agenda for Improving Education, Health Care, and the Social Safety Net Edited by: Daniel Cotlear Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: January 2006 328pp ISBN: 0-8213-6567-3 23.95 GBP</p>
	<p>This book examines the issues of accountability in the delivery of public services. Each chapter of the book incorporates, in addition to technical, economic, and statistical analysis, an analysis of the institutional context for service delivery. A common theme that cuts across this book is the issue of accountability as developed by the World Bank in its World Development Report: Making Services Work for Poor People (2004). The main conclusion of the book is that, while Peru has made significant progress in both education and health care, there remain significant challenges to achieving greater equity and better quality of services, particularly for the poor. The book finds that Peru has achieved high levels of coverage in all levels of education and in some programs of basic health care and of social assistance. Still, the average quality of most of these programs is low, and health and education outcomes are extremely inequitable. The book recommends three types of interventions: (a) quality standards and quantitative goals need to be set, (b) accountability chains need to be established so that providers take responsibility for their services; and (c) investments are needed to create and sustain the capacity to reach these goals.</p>



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Promoting Social Cohesion through Education: Case Studies and Tools for Using Textbooks

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The book address different issues in different countries and regions, but the fundamental message is the same: the explicit and implicit messages about inter-group relations that children receive in school shape the form and sensitivities of young minds with respect to other human beings. If education is to contribute to economic and social development, it is critical that we understand those messages and the means of their transmission.



From Crisis to Stability in the Armenian Power Sector: Lessons Learned

By: Gevorg Sargsyan, Ani Balabanyan, and Denzel Hankinson

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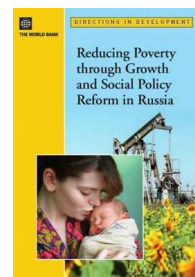
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The last fifteen years have seen Armenia emerge from Soviet rule and a severe economic and energy crisis, both complicated by its newfound political surroundings. The last ten years have seen significant reform and progress in the power sector which, when compared to the progress made by its neighbors, is all the more remarkable. The benefits of reform have not been easily won, however, and Armenia's success is a tribute to its ability to learn from mistakes and persevere. A combination of improper planning and bad fortune forced the Government of Armenia to go through three separate tenders for its privatization assets. A combination of good planning and good fortune ultimately allowed for what has turned out to be one of the region's most successful infrastructure privatization so far.



Reducing Poverty through Growth and Social Policy Reform in Russia

By: Radwan Shaban

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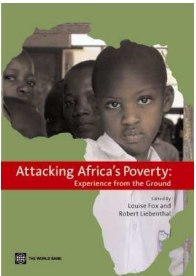
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Following the 1998 financial crisis, four out of every ten people slipped into poverty, not able to meet basic needs. Luckily, post-crisis economic rebound was impressive and broad-based albeit uneven across sectors and regions. This title explores the nature of poverty, both nationally and regionally, to identify the groups with a high poverty risk. It then examines growth-poverty linkages through the labor market, as well as the contribution of growth and inequality to the recent poverty reduction. It also considers the expected impact of WTO accession on overall growth and poverty. Finally, it focuses on the scope for improving social policy in ways that will have a direct impact on the poor.



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	<p>Gender, Time Use, and Poverty in Sub-Saharan Africa Edited by: Quentin Wodon and C. Mark Blackden Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: January 2006 168pp ISBN: 0-8213-6561-4 13.95 GBP</p> <p>This title examines the links between gender, time use, and poverty in Sub-Saharan Africa. It contributes to a broader definition of poverty to include time poverty, and to a broader definition of work to include household work. The papers present a conceptual framework linking both market and household work, review some of the available literature and surveys on time use in Africa, and use tools and approaches drawn from analysis of consumption-based poverty to develop the concept of a time poverty line and to examine linkages between time poverty, consumption poverty and other dimensions of development in Africa such as education and child labor.</p>
	<p>A Comparative Analysis of School-based Management in Central America By: Emanuela Di Gropello Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: January 2006 80pp ISBN: 0-8213-6525-8 6.95 GBP</p> <p>A Comparative Analysis of School-based Management in Central America analyzes and compares the impact of education decentralization reforms in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. It looks at how school-based management reforms have expanded community participation and empowerment of school decision making autonomy and its impact on the teaching-learning process.</p>
	<p>Attacking Africa's Poverty: Experience from the Ground Edited by: Louise M. Fox and Robert B. Liebenthal Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: March 2006 416pp ISBN: 0-8213-6322-0 30.95 GBP</p> <p>By all measures, poverty in Africa as a whole has increased and deepened. But in fact, Africa contains a number of undocumented success stories of poverty reduction. This book presents case studies of thirteen of these success stories, giving grounds for some real hope, and providing useful learning for all policymakers, governments, businesses, service providers, NGOs, and donors.</p>



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	<p>Perspectives on Fiscal Federalism By: Francois Vaillancourt Publisher: World Bank Publication Date: March 2006 276pp ISBN: 0-8213-6555-X 20.50 GBP</p>
	<p>This book addresses a variety of issues relating to intergovernmental finance and the provision and financing of local services including budgeting and financial management, the institutional framework for the conduct of intergovernmental relations, appropriate methods of service delivery in metropolitan agglomerations and remote rural areas, local government enterprises, user charges, property taxes, income and value-added taxes, natural resource taxes, and local business taxes. Throughout, the authors draw on experience both in Canada and in other decentralized countries and consider to varying extents the special problems facing Russia and other large transitional economies.</p>

	<p>Pension Reform and the Development of Pension Systems: An Evaluation of World Bank Assistance By: Emily S. Andrews ISBN10: 0-8213-6551-7 196pp 10.50 GBP Publication Date: March 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p>
	<p>This evaluation presents an independent assessment of the World Bank's support for pension reform activities focusing on the period from 1994 to 2004. This report is the first comprehensive Independent Evaluation Group (IEG) evaluation of the Bank's involvement in pension reform, assessing the implementation of the Bank's strategy and the resulting development outcomes.</p>

	<p>1 World Manga: Passage 3 : Global Warming--The Lagoon of the Vanishing Fish ISBN10: 0-8213-6408-1 24pp 2.95 GBP Publication Date: March 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p>
	<p>Fifteen-year-old orphan Rei survives by his wits and guts on the mean streets of the world. His fortunes seem to look up when he meets a mysterious stranger who offers to help him achieve his dream of becoming the greatest martial artist in the world...But Rei's trainer is more interested in developing his mind, spirit and--ugh!--heart than his thrashing, raging, fighting moves.</p> <p>Rei's latest training mission takes him to an island paradise complete with coral reefs, fluorescent fish, and pristine beaches. There he befriends an aged fisherman with nothing to catch... What is the secret behind the Lagoon of the Vanishing Fish? Rei puts his life on the line as he tries to stop the unseen forces threatening to swallow up this tropical sanctuary!</p>



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	<p>Assessing World Bank Support for Trade, 1987-2004 : An IEG Evaluation By: Yvonne Manu Tsikata ISBN10: 0-8213-6591-6 19.50 GBP Publication Date: March 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>An independent evaluation of the World Bank's extensive support to developing countries on trade issues between 1987 and 2004. The study assesses the development effectiveness of World Bank trade-related advocacy, capacity-building, lending and research. It examines the extent to which the Bank's policies and assistance have met its stated objectives in the area of trade and makes recommendations to strengthen the effectiveness of future Bank trade assistance.</p>
	<p>Annual World Bank Conference on Development Economics 2006: Growth and Integration (Senegal proceedings) Edited by: Francois Bourguignon and Boris Pleskovic ISBN10: 0-8213-6093-0 248pp 16.50 GBP Publication Date: March 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>These papers address issues like growth and integration, financial reforms, economic development, trade and development, and investment climate.</p>
	<p>Disease Control Priorities in Developing Countries 2nd Edition Dean T. Jamison, Joel G. Breman, Anthony R. Measham, George Alleyne, Mariam Claeson, David B. Evans, Prabhat Jha, Anne Mills, and Philip Musgrove ISBN10: 0-8213-6179-1 1452pp 85.50 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>Based on careful analysis of burden of disease and the costs of interventions, this second edition of Disease Control Priorities in Developing Countries, 2nd edition highlights achievable priorities; measures progress toward providing efficient, equitable care; promotes cost-effective interventions to targeted populations; and encourages integrated efforts to optimize health.</p> <p>Nearly 500 experts - scientists, epidemiologists, health economists, academicians, and public health practitioners - from around the world contributed to the data sources and methodologies, and identified challenges and priorities, resulting in this integrated, comprehensive reference volume on the state of health in developing countries.</p>



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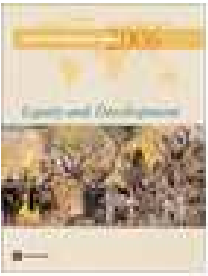
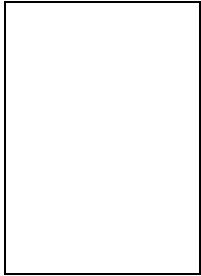
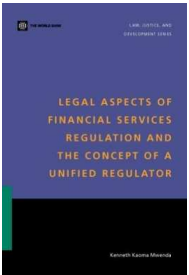
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	<p>Global Burden of Disease and Risk Factors By: Alan D. Lopez, Colin D. Mathers, Majid Ezzati, Dean T. Jamison, and Christopher J. L. Murray ISBN10: 0-8213-6262-3 552pp 44.50 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>This volume is a single up-to-date source on the entire global epidemiology of diseases, injuries and risk factors with a comprehensive statement of methods and a complete presentation of results. It includes refined methods to assess data, ensure epidemiological consistency, and summarize the disease burden.</p> <p>Global Burden of Disease and Risk Factors examines the comparative importance of diseases, injuries, and risk factors; it incorporates a range of new data sources to develop consistent estimates of incidence, prevalence, severity and duration, and mortality for 136 major diseases and injuries.</p>
	<p>Priorities in Health By: Dean T. Jamison, Joel G. Breman, Anthony R. Measham, George Alleyne, Mariam Claeson, David B. Evans, Prabhat Jha, Anne Mills, and Philip Musgrove ISBN10: 0-8213-6260-7 212pp 6.95 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>This companion guide to Disease Control Priorities in Developing Countries, 2nd edition speeds the diffusion of life-saving knowledge by distilling the contents of the larger volume into an easily read format.</p> <p>Policy makers, practitioners, academics, and other interested readers will get an overview of the messages and analysis in Disease Control Priorities in Developing Countries, 2nd edition; be alerted to the scope of major diseases; learn strategies to improve policies and choices to implement cost-effective interventions; and locate chapters of immediate interest.</p>
	<p>Information and Communications for Development 2006: Global Trends and Policies ISBN10: 0-8213-6346-8 328pp 27.50 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>Information and Communications for Development 2006: Global Trends and Policies contains lessons from both developed and developing countries. It examines the roles of the public and private sectors, identifying the challenges and the benefits of adopting and expanding ICT use. The report assesses topics essential to building an information society, including investment, access, diffusion, and country policies and strategies.</p>



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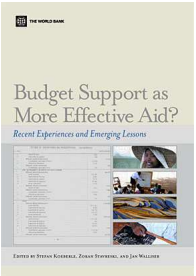


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	<p>Equity and Development: Berlin Workshop Series 2006 By: Gudrun Kochendorfer-Lucius and Boris Pleskovic ISBN10: 0-8213-6105-8 224pp 16.50 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>This volume presents papers from the sessions on Equity and Development, covering issues relating to The Role of Governments in the Promotion of Equity, Equity-Enhancing Social Transformations, Building Efficient Welfare States, Reducing Global Inequalities and Integration and Inequality in the New Europe.</p>
	<p>Reforming Regional-Local Finance in Russia By: Jorge Martinez-Vazquez, Andrey Timofeev, and Jameson Boex ISBN10: 0-8213-6557-6 220pp 17.50 GBP Publication Date: March 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>The exposition is based on an analytical framework covering all building blocks of fiscal federalism: size and structure of jurisdictions, expenditures, revenues, transfers, and borrowing. The application of this framework to Russian settings results in a comprehensive assessment of the state of intergovernmental fiscal relations in Russia.</p>
	<p>Legal Aspects of Financial Services Regulation and the Concept of a Unified Regulator By: Kenneth Kaoma Mwenda ISBN10: 0-8213-6459-6 178pp 20.50 GBP Publication Date: March 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>That different types of financial services and products continue to spring up in the financial sector of many countries is indicative of the changing landscape of the financial services industry globally. Equally important, as indicators of the evolving trajectory of financial services regulation, are increases in the number of countries where universal banking is practiced and in numbers of parent and subsidiary companies providing different types of financial services and products. This book is written against that background. A central thesis pursued in the book is that until there is a longer track record of experience with unified regulators, it is difficult to come to firm conclusions about the restructuring process of regulators, and the optimal internal structure of such agencies. In addition, the book examines the concept of an independent regulator, showing how this concept, as a corollary to the concept of a unified regulator, could strengthen the regulatory and institutional framework for financial services supervision if accountability were to be part of such a framework.</p>



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	<p>Budget Support as More Effective Aid?: Recent Experiences and Emerging Lessons By: Stefan Koeberle, Jan Walliser, and Zoran Stavreski ISBN10: 0-8213-6463-4 524pp 23.95 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>This book presents a timely and valuable review of key concepts, issues, experiences and emerging lessons relevant to budget support. It provides an overview of principal characteristics, expectations and concerns related to budget support, key design and implementation issues, as well as some practical experiences. The contributors include government representatives from developing countries, leading academic scholars, bilateral development agencies and development practitioners from international financial institutions, including the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.</p>
	<p>Strategic Alliances to Scale Up Financial Services in Rural Areas By: Joselito Gallardo, Michael Goldberg, and Bikki Randhawa ISBN10: 0-8213-6603-3 58pp 6.95 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>Strategic alliances comprise a new theme in rural finance. The institutions in this study used strategic alliances to tap new capital resources, manage transaction costs, access banking technology and infrastructure, and acquire new skills to provide an expanding array of financial services to wider markets.</p> <p>The authors carefully examine the experiences of selected rural finance institutions and their strategic allies or development partners in Guatemala, the Philippines, Ghana, and India to draw out the main findings and share the lessons that may be gainfully applied in other country settings.</p>
	<p>World Development Indicators 2006 ISBN10: 0-8213-6470-7 242pp 51.50 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p> <p>Looking for accurate, up-to-date data on development issues? This indispensable statistical reference allows you to consult over 800 indicators for some 150 economies and 14 country groups in more than 80 tables. It provides a current overview of the most recent data available as well as important regional data and income group analysis in six thematic chapters: World View, People, Environment, Economy, States and Markets, and Global Links. The CD-ROM editions, available soon, contain 43 years of time series data, covering 1960 to 2004, and offers mapping, charting, and data export formats.</p>



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	<p>Little Data Book 2006 ISBN10: 0-8213-6475-8 236pp 10.50 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p>
<p>A pocket-sized reference on key development data for over 200 countries, that provides profiles of each country with 54 development indicators about People, Environment, Economy, Technology and Infrastructure, Trade, and Finance.</p>	

	<p>Global Integration and Technology Transfer Bernard M. Hoekman and Beata Smarzynska Javorcik ISBN10: 0-8213-6125-2 368 pp 23.95 GBP Publication Date: April 2006 Publisher: World Bank</p>
<p>The importance of international technology diffusion (ITD) for economic development can hardly be overstated. Both the acquisition of technology and its diffusion foster productivity growth. Developing countries have long sought to use both national policies and international agreements to stimulate ITD. The 'correct' policy intervention, if any, depends critically upon the channels through which technology diffuses internationally and the quantitative effects of the various diffusion processes on efficiency and productivity growth. Neither is well understood. New technologies may be embodied in goods and transferred through imports of new varieties of differentiated products or capital goods and equipment, they may be obtained through exposure to foreign buyers or foreign investors or they may be acquired through arms-length trade in intellectual property, e.g., licensing contracts.</p>	

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