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ABSTRACT

The EU's development policy seeks to eradicate poverty, promote the sustainable development of developing countries, defend human rights and democracy and promote gender equality and overcome environmental and climate challenges.

Development aid is a limited resource. For this reason, the Union is committed to the effectiveness of aid and promotes close relations with partner countries in terms of programming and implementing development actions. With this perspective, the "EU Code of Conduct on the division of labor in the field of development policy" was adopted in 2007, and the "Operational framework on the effectiveness of development aid" was adopted in 2011. These measures are consistent with the international measures undertaken in response to the 2005 Paris Declaration of the OECD, which promotes ownership, harmonization, alignment, results and mutual responsibility in development assistance.

Amidst highly anticipated outcomes from ongoing trade talks between US and China, Brexit negotiations outcomes, as well recently concluded NAFTA negotiations, the atmosphere surrounding global trade relations could not be more highly charged. This volume not only illustrates how the changing face, landscape and scene of political economy and international trade relations are significantly impacting financial stability, regulatory, legal and financial related actors

but also highlights and explains how certain actors are contributing in addressing those instabilities which are threatening current global spheres as a result of recent developments.

Key words: International organizations, regional policies of cooperation and integration, trade relations, Sustainable Development, Financial Markets, Integration and Stability, Brexit, NAFTA, European Union, non governmental organisations, actors, international relations.

Introduction

In highlighting how the role and involvement of NGOS and other actors could help address such imbalances through a more coherent and adapted approach that creatively combines all the means of EU implementation – as well as illustrate how better collaboration between Member States and EU institutions, as well as closer cooperation with actors beyond governments and the development community, would also help, this volume extensively contributes to the current literature in addressing some of the challenges and perspectives that are currently being planned in relation to the EU's development policy, providing different elements of analysis and reflection on its future evolution.

This volume/book highlights why and how effective coordination between non governmental organisations, actors and member states involved in resource allocation, be it from a development aid perspective, or otherwise, continues to constitute a recurring issue in terms of information sharing – as well as the type, adequacy and quality of information that is at hand – and more importantly how this vital issue can be addressed to mitigate current global issues and resolve global differences in opinions and approaches.

This book covers not only important and vital current topical issues, but is relevant to everyone in the society in terms of the need to address important matters – matters such as threats to financial stability, global trade relations and global peace and security.

Conclusion

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Further, and from a global perspective, the volume highlights and seeks to recommend arrangements and coordinative applications whereby global actors can interact to ensure that benefits which derive from one sector can have positive ramifications for other sectors – particularly in view of non governmental organisations and their roles in sustainable development.

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