

The Economics of the Middle East Series

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The Middle East has seen much more economic change over the past few decades than socio-political change in spite of the continuous political instability that is often highlighted by the press. Collectively the region is best known for producing and exporting oil. While the oil industry significantly impacts the region through generating wealth and movement of labor, it also has become the agent of change for endeavors such as development and diversification. With higher rates of growth occurring more in the East than the West, the Middle East sits on the crossroads of this divide acting as a bridge between these two market places. This series is dedicated to highlighting the challenges and opportunities that lie within and around this central region of the global economy. It will be divided into four broad areas: resource management (covering topics such as oil prices and stock markets, history of oil in the region; water; labor migration; remittances in the region); international trade and finance (covering topics such as role of foreign direct investment in the region; Islamic banking; exchange rate and investments); growth and development (covering topics such as social inequities; knowledge creation; growth in emerging markets) and lastly demographic change (covering topics such as population change, women in the labor market, poverty and militancy).

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