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Crises have deepened social, intergenerational and gender inequalities. These inequalities cross all territories both nationally and internationally. Prevailing evidence suggests that while the North-South imbalances still persist inside the basin, the recent world economic and financial crises in the area have changed the perspectives of conventional Euro-Mediterranean integration policies. The book provides the grounds for new patterns of analysis and addresses policy guidelines which are able to respond to the dramatic challenges that Mediterranean regions are facing. By implementing a multidisciplinary approach, the volume uncovers the structural determinants of migrations in the area: territorial and social imbalances, climate change, unemployment, weak institutions, poor governance, lack of efficient redistributive policies, and the relationship between fertility and the participation rate of women in the workforce is an increasingly important area of study for students working on labour markets, population economics, demography and the methodology of applied microeconomics.

Making extensive use of European Community Household Panel data, it compares the outcomes of policies in several European countries. This book focuses on issues that are relevant for the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership. The depth and the extension of the current political analysis of the relationship between fertility and the participation rate of women in the workforce is an increasingly important area of study for students working on labour markets, population economics, demography and the methodology of applied microeconomics. Researchers interested in the field will also benefit from reading this book.
The Origins of Active Social Policy, using both qualitative and quantitative analysis, examines why most western European countries have reoriented their welfare states away from income protection and in the direction of employment promotion.

This book analyses the issues of labour market and social policy in Romania through an economic perspective, while providing diverse international comparisons.

On the margins of inclusion explores the notion of 'social exclusion' from the perspective of those deemed to be 'socially excluded' and provides a compelling and vivid portrait of lives at the insecure, low-paid end of the labour market. The ethnography is used to illuminate key issues in sociology and social policy and to tackle debates and controversies that are central to current discussions on the appropriate role and function of state welfare. A thorough discussion of current policies to address social exclusion and area regeneration is woven into the fieldwork analysis. On the margins of inclusion is essential reading for researchers, academics and higher-level students in sociology and social policy, and will also be of interest to policy makers in the field.

A controversial new analysis of the relationship between social democratic governments and labor. The book will make a major contribution to the comparative political economy of industrialized democracies.

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