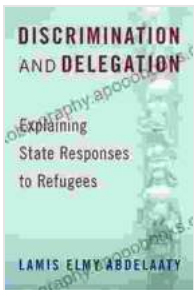


Discrimination and Delegation: Explaining State Responses to Refugees

Refugees are one of the most vulnerable populations in the world. They have been forced to flee their homes due to war, persecution, or natural disasters, and they often arrive in new countries with little or no resources. States have a responsibility to protect refugees and to provide them with the assistance they need to rebuild their lives. However, states' responses to refugees vary widely. Some states are welcoming and supportive, while others are hostile and restrictive.



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What explains this variation in state responses to refugees? This book argues that two factors play a major role: discrimination and delegation. Discrimination against refugees is a major factor in explaining why states often adopt restrictive refugee policies. The book also argues that

delegation of refugee policy to lower levels of government can lead to more discriminatory outcomes.

Discrimination

Discrimination against refugees is widespread. Refugees are often seen as a threat to national security, a drain on resources, and a source of social conflict. This discrimination can lead to states adopting restrictive refugee policies, such as quotas on the number of refugees admitted, long waiting times for asylum applications, and detention of refugees.

There are a number of reasons why people discriminate against refugees. Some people are simply prejudiced against foreigners. Others believe that refugees are a threat to their jobs or their way of life. Still others believe that refugees are responsible for crime and social unrest.

Whatever the reasons, discrimination against refugees is a serious problem. It can lead to refugees being denied the protection they need and to them facing violence and abuse.

Delegation

Delegation of refugee policy to lower levels of government can also lead to more discriminatory outcomes. This is because lower levels of government are often less accountable to the public and are more likely to be influenced by local prejudices.

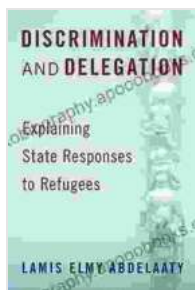
For example, a study by the International Rescue Committee found that states that had delegated refugee policy to local governments were more likely to have restrictive refugee policies. The study also found that

refugees in these states were more likely to be detained and to have their asylum applications denied.

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Discrimination and delegation are two major factors that influence state responses to refugees. Discrimination against refugees is a major factor in explaining why states often adopt restrictive refugee policies. The book also argues that delegation of refugee policy to lower levels of government can lead to more discriminatory outcomes.

This book provides a comprehensive analysis of the factors that influence state responses to refugees. It is essential reading for anyone interested in refugee policy and in the protection of refugees.



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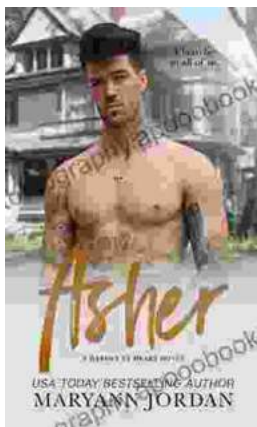
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