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Structural Transformation and Rural Change Revisited

Challenges for Late Developing Countries in a Globalizing World

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Breaking the Rural – Urban Divide

Financing Africa's Cities and Structural Transformation and Rural Change Revisited adopt two different perspectives, from the city and from the countryside. They deal with financing urban investments, promoting rural diversification, and the challenges of Africa's demographic and economic transitions. They have an evident crossing point which is about territorial development: how to foster rural-urban linkages through the promotion of medium-size urbanization and a better connection with rural demand and supply. Vibrant local economies can generate growing incomes and mitigate the costs of metropolization.

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