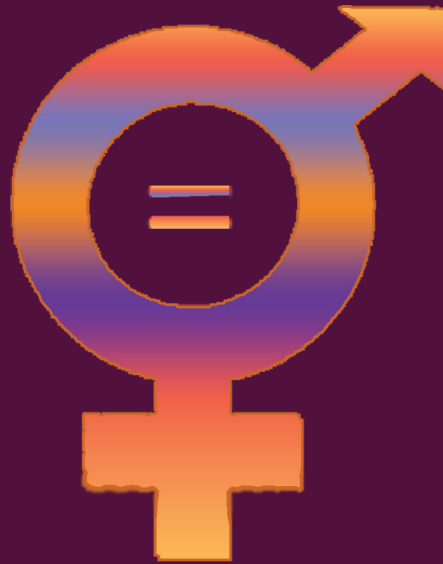


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This edited volume discusses some of the prominent challenges in the advancement of women and girls in Ethiopia. Its central theme is the linkage between gender, development, and women's rights, particularly anchored on the overarching topics of equality and participation, economic empowerment, land governance, and freedom from discrimination and violence. This multidisciplinary book draws attention to the broader conception of development that places human rights and gender equality at the center. The edited volume makes crucial contribution to addressing current imbalances in policy and practice with respect to women's substantive participation and empowerment, freedom, and well-being. Featuring work by Ethiopian and international scholars and experts, this multidisciplinary collection will be of great interest to academics, practitioners, policy makers, public officials, and students working in the area of law, gender, human rights, and development.



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