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### Abstract

The monograph attempts to cover an existing gap in the domestic literature on the topic of economic globalization. It examines critically key issues and alternative aspects of globalization from the perspective of economic geography. Globalization processes have highlighted the importance of geographical perspective and differentiation, challenging predictions of the so-called "death of geography". Structural features of geography, such as the synthetic approach and the combined study of phenomena on different scales, ensure a fuller understanding of the evolving mechanisms that are intertwined with places, institutions, individual enterprises, traditions and practices. Contemporary processes of globalization affect even spatially protected production systems with unprecedented speed and intensity. However, places are not passive recipients of global challenges but respond to the new dynamics and co-shape developments. It

is precisely this evolving dialectical relationship between the global and the local that constitutes the main axis of the book. Separate chapters deal with issues that preoccupy the current debate on globalization and economic interdependence. Apart from the introductory chapter, which presents the historical evolution and the main parameters revolving the phenomenon of globalization and the concluding chapter, which discusses the current debates on the prospects of it, the remaining eight chapters of the textbook are divided into three parts. The first part frames the discussion and examines the role of global chains and networks, the digital transformation and the cities in the changing international environment. The second part addresses the dramatic effects of digital technologies on labour and entrepreneurship. The third part focuses on the intertwining of the global and the local processes in the agri-food sector.

