# The Microfoundations of Diaspora Politics Research in Ethnic and Migration

Diaspora populations are increasingly playing a significant role in international politics. They are often seen as a source of support for their home countries, and they can also be a force for change in their new countries of residence. However, we still know relatively little about the factors that shape diaspora political behavior.



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#### **Identity and Diaspora Politics**

Diaspora identity is a complex and multifaceted construct. It can be based on a variety of factors, including ethnicity, religion, language, and culture. Diaspora identity can also be shaped by experiences of migration and settlement.

Diaspora identity has a profound impact on diaspora political behavior.

Diasporas with a strong sense of identity are more likely to be politically engaged and to participate in diaspora organizations. They are also more likely to support their home countries and to advocate for their interests.

#### **Social Networks and Diaspora Politics**

Social networks are another important factor that shapes diaspora political behavior. Diasporas are often highly connected to their home countries and to other diaspora communities around the world. These social networks provide diasporas with access to information, resources, and support.

Social networks can also facilitate diaspora political mobilization. Diasporas can use social networks to organize protests, rallies, and other forms of political action. They can also use social networks to raise awareness of their issues and to advocate for their interests.

#### **Political Socialization and Diaspora Politics**

Political socialization is the process by which individuals learn about politics and develop their political beliefs and values. Diaspora political socialization is shaped by a variety of factors, including family, friends, schools, and the media.

Diaspora political socialization can have a significant impact on diaspora political behavior. Diasporas who are socialized to value democracy and

human rights are more likely to be politically engaged and to support their home countries. They are also more likely to be tolerant of other cultures and to work for peace and reconciliation.

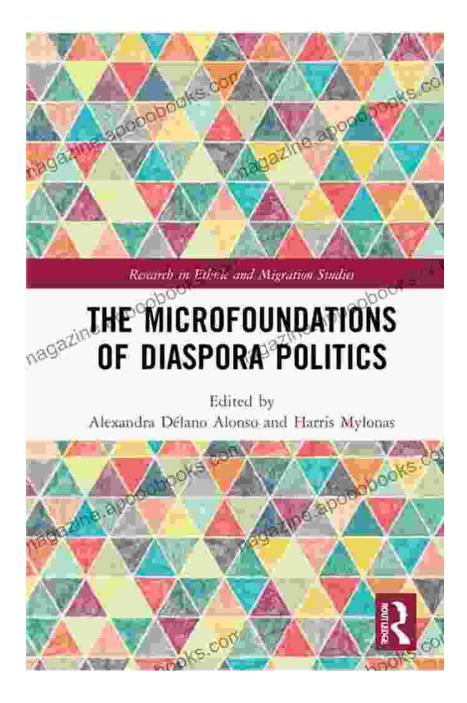
#### **Diaspora Organizations and Diaspora Politics**

Diaspora organizations play a vital role in shaping diaspora political engagement and influence. Diaspora organizations provide diasporas with a sense of community and belonging. They also provide diasporas with access to information, resources, and support.

Diaspora organizations can also facilitate diaspora political mobilization. Diaspora organizations can organize protests, rallies, and other forms of political action. They can also use their resources to lobby governments and to advocate for their interests.

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This book is a valuable resource for scholars, students, and policymakers interested in diaspora politics. It provides a comprehensive overview of the field and it offers new insights into the factors that shape diaspora political behavior.



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