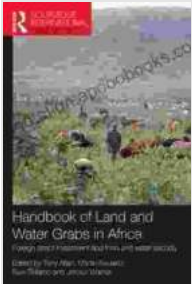


# Handbook of Land and Water Grabs in Africa: Understanding and Resisting Contemporary Colonialisms



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**Land and water grabs in Africa**

Land and water grabs are a major issue in Africa. They occur when large-scale investors, often foreign companies, acquire large tracts of land or water resources for commercial purposes, often displacing local communities and violating their rights. Land and water grabs have a devastating impact on communities, leading to food insecurity, poverty, and environmental degradation.

### **The history and drivers of land and water grabs**

The history of land and water grabs in Africa can be traced back to the colonial era. During this time, European powers seized vast amounts of land from African peoples, often through violent means. In the post-colonial era, land and water grabs have continued, driven by a number of factors, including:

- The global demand for resources, such as food, biofuels, and minerals
- The expansion of global agricultural production
- The growth of tourism and other industries
- The weak governance and legal frameworks in many African countries

### **The impacts of land and water grabs**

The impacts of land and water grabs are devastating for communities. They can lead to:

- Food insecurity
- Poverty
- Loss of access to traditional lands and resources

- Environmental degradation
- Human rights violations

## **Resistance and community-led responses**

Despite the challenges, communities across Africa are resisting land and water grabs and developing community-led responses. These responses include:

- Legal challenges
- Campaigns and protests
- Land occupations
- Alternative development models

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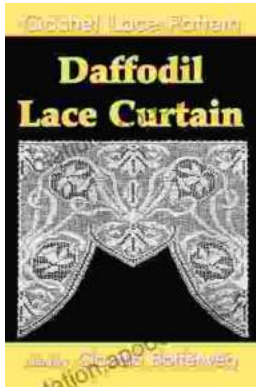
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