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### **Review**

Is it true that water scarcity must lead to conflict? Might it not lead to cooperation instead? How can conflict be avoided? How can cooperation be promoted? This new book provides the answers to these questions or, if not the answers, the means for finding the answers. It fills a large gap in the literature and will, I predict, become the standard text in this important field --Scott Barrett, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies

No other book known heretofore presents such a wide and deep coverage of water issues as this book has done. No other book has gone through such a comprehensive analysis of the professional, technical, political and legal aspects of water and international water as the authors of this book have collectively done. The combination of their talents and impressive track records and backgrounds has produced a book that is unique in the literature on water. McCaffrey has outdone his excellent previous works and so have the Dinars and McKinney. I congratulate each one of them, and thank them for this precious contribution. The book is so valuable that it is a must for ALL water and environment professionals, students and academicians. It is also a must for political science and public policy students and practitioners. --Munther J Haddadin, former Minister of Water and Irrigation, Jordan and Senior Jordanian Negotiator and Head of Water Negotiating Team Middle East Peace Process

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