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Cet ouvrage en anglais fait suite à des débats engagés au cours d'une table ronde sur la mondialisation, organisée à Québec en 1998 par l'International Political Science Association. Les différentes contributions qu'il regroupe se répartissent entre trois sections. La première s'interroge sur le statut théorique de la mondialisation et sur les rapports des États au capitalisme mondial et aux sociétés transnationales ; on y rappelle, entre autres, que les mêmes qui font pression pour réduire le rôle de l'État (démantèlement de l'État-providence, déréglementation et privatisation) exigent en même temps une intervention étatique accrue en d'autres domaines (contrôles sociaux plus efficaces). La seconde section analyse divers cas d'adaptation de l'État-nation au contexte nouveau de la mondialisation, que ce soit des cas d'intégration (comme la réunification allemande) ou de désintégration (comme la division de la Tchécoslovaquie). La troisième section, enfin, reprend les interrogations de la seconde, à propos du cas particulier des relations du Québec avec le reste du Canada. This book follows discussions during a round table on globalization organized in Quebec City in 1998 by the International Political Science Association. The various contributions it contains are divided into three sections. The first examines the theoretical status of globalization and the relationship of states to global capitalism and transnational corporations, reminding us, among other things, that the same people who are pushing to reduce the role of the state (dismantling the welfare state, deregulation and privatization) require at the same time increased state intervention in other areas (more effective social controls). The second section analyses various cases of adaptation of the nation-state to the new context of globalization, whether they are cases of integration (such as German reunification) or disintegration (such as the division of Czechoslovakia). The third section, finally,...