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Sommario/riassunto	A comprehensive, sound and extremely relevant book. It contains an in-depth analysis of the role of monitoring and evaluation in the context of the COVID-19 and SDGs eras. The authors thoroughly discuss the potential contribution of monitoring and evaluation to

accelerate progress towards the SDGs. A must-read book. - Ada Ocampo (Ms.), President, International Development Evaluation Association (IDEAS) This book offers a great deal and is therefore a worthy addition to the toolkit of conscientious evaluation practitioners seeking to extend their knowledge and understanding of the discipline with a view to contributing to the sustainable development of their country. - Valerie Gordon, President - Caribbean Evaluators International This is the practitioner's encyclopedia, adeptly dissecting the sometimes overlapping elements of this UN initiated agenda, clarifying the interrelationships of all components and emphasizing the intensity of collaboration required to optimize chances for progress-a comprehensive, interdisciplinary approach to human development serving to inform and energize planners, organizers and implementers. - Iván G. Somlai, Associate - Centre for Asia Pacific Initiatives, University of Victoria This book examines the UN 2030 SDGs Agenda and its comprehensive, multi-stakeholder approach to achieving a more human rights-based and environmentally sustainable development process. More crucially, it provides a much needed and innovative analysis of the role of Monitoring and Evaluation in this Agenda and the challenges that evaluators will face due to the Agenda's inherent weaknesses, coupled with the practice and limited culture of evaluation in general. The authors look to actively help evaluators and other interested parties to develop their capacity to evaluate this ambitious Agenda and develop mitigating strategies for the inherent challenges that will be encountered whilst implementing and evaluating this Agenda. Nadini Persaud Ph.D. is Lecturer in Evaluation at the University of West Indies, Cave Hill Campus, Barbados. Ruby Dagher Ph. D. is Adjunct Professor of Development and Global Studies at the University of Ottawa, Canada.
