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Within the INTERACT project, this book has a specific task and function. While a major activity of the project has been to collect data on how actors in countries of origin seek to influence migrants in destination countries (reported on extensively at <http://interact-project.eu>), the editors of this book were asked in the name of IMISCOE to capture the state of the art of research relevant to the questions raised by the INTERACT project.

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