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Cover: All UN Member States have agreed on the eight Millennium Development Goals, with a deadline of 2015 for achieving them. Towards the first goal, eradicating extreme poverty, participants joined the 2003 UNDP-sponsored Match Against Poverty in Switzerland, which raised funds for poverty reduction projects. Under the third goal, promoting gender equality, women in the Arab world overall are on track to reach parity in some levels of education. Steps are now being taken to remove barriers to employment and political participation. All of the first seven MDGs hinge on goal eight: a solid partnership between nations of the North and South committed to providing domestic and international resources for effective development.