

Nation Building

Big lessons from Successes and Failures

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Conclusions

1. Democracy is the backbone of sustainable and peaceful nation-building
2. Inter-group contact with horizontal equality and security guarantees can reduce inter-group animosity and promote a melting pot society
3. Fostering a positive common identity, e.g., through education, is key with high polarization and low segregation
4. Power-sharing and federalism are crucial in high-segregation settings
5. Unilateral military interventions and military aid often backfires in terms of their effect on attitudes of local population, yet UN peacekeeping security guarantees work to reduce conflict