

Migration and Development

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Purpose of presentation

- Finding the holy grail: a benign three-way win, win, win (import and exporting states, migrants themselves)
- Distinguishing between two kinds of remittances – money and social remittances
- Activating the diaspora and maintaining its loyalty
- Refashioning the idea of the nation-state/ space

Social remittances

“The ideas, behaviours, identities and social capital that flow from host- to sending-country communities ... They are like the social and cultural resources that migrants bring with them ... [they] play a role in promoting immigrant entrepreneurship, community development and political integration” (Levitt, *The Transnational Villagers*, pp. 54-5).

Recent trends in private flows to the Philippines

\$ million

Source: CEIC Data Company Ltd., downloaded 10 September 2009.

