1. Record Nr. UNINA9910151859103321 Autore Phippen Andy Titolo The Impact of Fibre Connectivity on SMEs: Benefits and Business Opportunities / / by Andy Phippen, Hazel Lacohée Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham: .: Springer International Publishing: .: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan, , 2017 **ISBN** 3-319-47554-1 Edizione [1st ed. 2017.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (IX, 148 p.) 658.4038 Disciplina Soggetti Management information systems Business IT Infrastructure Software Management Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Chapter 1 Introduction -- Chapter 2 Defining the Research Context --Nota di contenuto Chapter 3 Moving Up the Information Superhighway -- Chapter 4 Early impact – Take Up and the Virtuous Circle of Connectivity -- Chapter 5 Always wanting more -- Chapter 6 Conclusions, Recommendations and the Future. Drawing on research conducted over the last 3 years in Cornwall, UK. Sommario/riassunto this new book explores the impact of the EU/BT funded introduction of fibre broadband on rural SMEs. Including a qualitative methodology and in depth focus groups with over 200 companies, The Impact of Fibre Connectivity on SMEs provides a detailed, in depth, analysis to challenge conventionally held beliefs in the value of subsidy and policy pressure in the deployment of such projects. With focus on regional development in the UK as well as exploration of the wider EU context. the book presents a genuine insight into the technology adoption and technology provision. Andy Phippen is Professor of Social Responsibility in IT at Plymouth Plymouth Business School, Plymouth University, UK. He has conducted empirical research into the relationship between technology and public engagement for over 15 years, including work

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