Record Nr. UNINA9910252719903321 Autore Scott Allen J Titolo The Constitution of the City: Economy, Society, and Urbanization in the Capitalist Era / / by Allen J. Scott Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan, , 2017 **ISBN** 3-319-61228-X Edizione [1st ed. 2017.] 1 online resource (251 pages): illustrations, tables, graphs Descrizione fisica 307.76 Disciplina Soggetti Social sciences Sociology, Urban Urban geography Urban economics Public policy Popular Social Sciences **Urban Studies/Sociology** Urban Geography / Urbanism (inc. megacities, cities, towns) **Urban Economics Public Policy** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes index. Note generali 1. City and Society -- 2. In Search of the City -- 3. Industrialization and Nota di contenuto Urbanization of Early Capitalism -- 4. Triumph and Tribulations of the Mass-Production Metropolis -- 5. Cities in a Globalizing World -- 6. The Third Wave -- 7. Mainsprings of Resurgence -- 8. Social Differentiation and Forms of Life -- 9. Through the Kaleidoscope -- 10. The Urban Commonwealth. Sommario/riassunto This book presents an exploratory account of the origins and dynamics of cities. The author recounts how the essential foundations of the urbanization process reside in two interrelated forces. These are the tendency for many different kinds of human activity to gather together to form functional complexes on the landscape, and the multifaceted intra-urban space-sorting crosscurrents set in motion by this primary

urge. From these basic points of departure, the city in all its fullness

emerges as a reflexive moment in social and economic development. The argument of the book is pursued both in theoretical and in empirical terms, devoting attention to the changing character of urbanization in the capitalist era. A point of particular emphasis concerns the peculiar patterns of resurgent urbanization that are making their historical and geographical appearance in the currently emerging phase of cognitive-cultural capitalism and that are now rapidly diffusing across the globe. /p>.