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Sommario/riassunto	How can a place be built and managed so that it is safe for people to live? Ironically, many governments and citizens keep on asking the same question after every new disaster. Why, even with high levels of investment in increasing government's capacity to manage disasters, do the impacts of disasters continue to increase? What can the governments do differently? What is the role of local communities? Where should aid agencies invest? This book looks into these critical questions and highlights how current capacity development efforts

might be resulting in the opposite—capacity crisis or capability trap. The book provides a new approach for understanding and developing effective local capacity for reducing and managing future disaster impacts.
