Record Nr. UNINA9910450981103321 Linguistic landscape [[electronic resource]]: new approach to **Titolo** multilingualism / / edited by Durk Gorter Pubbl/distr/stampa Clevedon, [England];; Buffalo,: Multilingual Matters, c2006 **ISBN** 1-280-52177-5 9786610521777 1-85359-917-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (95 p.) Altri autori (Persone) GorterD (Durk) Disciplina 306.44/6 Soggetti Multilingualism Linguistic change Linguistic minorities Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Includes bibliographical references. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Contents -- Introduction: The Study of the Linguistic Landscape as a New Approach to Multilingualism -- Linguistic Landscape as Symbolic Construction of the Public Space: The Case of Israel -- Bangkok's Linguistic Landscapes: Environmental Print, Codemixing and Language Change -- Multilingualism in Tokyo: A Look into the Linguistic Landscape -- Linguistic Landscape and Minority Languages -- Further Possibilities for Linguistic Landscape Research --References Sommario/riassunto Language is all around us as it is displayed in texts on shop windows, commercial signs, posters, official notices, etc. Given a multitude of languages there, it does not come as a surprise that an increasing number of researchers have taken a closer look at languages on signs in the public space. The book reports on studies of the linguistic landscape in cities in countries around the globe: Israel, Japan, Thailand, the Netherlands (Friesland) and Spain (the Basque Country). Their cultural, socio-economic and political circumstances are very

divergent. Multimillion cities are included such as Bangkok and Tokyo, but also smaller cities such as Ljouwert-Leeuwarden and Donostia-San

Sebastian. Multilingualism turns out to be an important dimension of the linguistic landscape everywhere, as well as the reflection of the process of globalisation, visible through the use of English. The study of the linguistic landscape is applied here as a means to increase our understanding of multilingualism and future directions are outlined.