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This valuable collection is the first to identify how social solidarity across Europe is being re-invented from below and redefined from above.