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This text bridges gaps in the literature by offering an edited collection of contemporary research contributions that explore the complex nature of rural enterprise across a range of settings and geographical contexts. In particular, this book includes up to date policy contributions, as well as valuable insights into rural enterprise in practice.
