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of urban researchers across the global South and North, this book addresses old debates in new ways and raises new questions about sustainable urban development.

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