Record Nr. UNINA9910733292003321 Autore Briers Stephen <1965-> Titolo Infrastructures of freedom: public light and everynight life for the urban poor / / Stephanie Briers Pubbl/distr/stampa Berlin:,: JOVIS Verlag GmbH,, 2022 ©2023 **ISBN** 3-86859-780-8 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (272 pages) Disciplina 307.1216095456 Soggetti City planning - Economic aspects - South Africa Cities and towns - South Africa Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Frontmatter -- Acknowledgements -- Contents -- Foreword --Nota di contenuto Introduction -- Chapter 1: Reading through Light and Beyond --Chapter 2: Cape Town's Segregated Lightscape -- Chapter 3: Endeavours of Studying Khayelitsha's Lighting -- Chapter 4: Life in the Shadows of Area Lighting -- Chapter 5: Trapped by Darkness --Chapter 6: Freeing the Night, Co-producing Light -- Chapter 7: Infrastructures of Freedom: Breaking Boundaries with Light -- Epilogue -- Appendix Sommario/riassunto Infrastructures of Freedom sheds light on the impact of inadequate public lighting in self-built communities in Cape Town. In democratic South Africa, where infrastructure provision still reflects deeply embedded notions of citizenship, informal neighborhoods with minimal infrastructure provision face challenges beyond access to basic services and opportunities. Fear, the feeling of being forgotten, and living in undignified conditions are among the powerful experiences darkness brings about in these neighborhoods. The book not only reveals these experiences of everynight life, but takes a step further: it considers how the co-production of a solar public lighting project within a community improved everynight life and suggests ways for infrastructure to more successfully articulate citizenship.