Record Nr. UNINA9910812663903321 Autore Seto Karen C. Titolo City Unseen: New Visions of an Urban Planet / / Karen C. Seto, Meredith Reba Pubbl/distr/stampa New Haven, CT:,: Yale University Press,, [2018] ©2018 **ISBN** 0-300-24108-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xvi, 250 pages): illustrations Altri autori (Persone) SullivanKathryn D Disciplina 577.5/6 Soggetti Urban ecology (Biology) Urban geography Climatic changes Remote-sensing images. Illustrated works. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Front matter -- Contents -- Foreword -- Maps of cities' locations --Nota di contenuto Key -- Introduction -- 1. Views from space -- 2. Earth's terrains -- 3. Urban imprints -- 4. Transforming the planet -- Epilogue -- Further reading -- Acknowledgments -- Index Stunning satellite images of one hundred cities show our urbanizing Sommario/riassunto planet in a new light to reveal the fragile relationship between humanity and Earth Seeing cities around the globe in their larger environmental contexts, we begin to understand how the world shapes urban landscapes and how urban landscapes shape the world. Authors Karen Seto and Meredith Reba provide these revealing views to enhance readers' understanding of the shape, growth, and life of urban settlements of all sizes-from the remote town of Namche Bazaar in Nepal to the vast metropolitan prefecture of Tokyo, Japan. Using satellite data, the authors show urban landscapes in new perspectives. The book's beautiful and surprising images pull back the veil on

> familiar scenes to highlight the growth of cities over time, the symbiosis between urban form and natural landscapes, and the vulnerabilities of cities to the effects of climate change. We see the

growth of Las Vegas and Lagos, the importance of rivers to both connecting and dividing cities like Seoul and London, and the vulnerability of Fukushima and San Juan to floods from tsunami or hurricanes. The result is a compelling book that shows cities' relationships with geography, food, and society.