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## Sommario/riassunto

This book provides a comprehensive exploration of the profound transformations in the cultural and physical landscapes of South Korea. with an interdisciplinary approach that draws from anthropology, sociology, and human geography. The authors delve into the dynamic interplay between tradition and modernity in a nation that has experienced rapid development, technological innovation, and significant socio-cultural changes. With contributions from experts across various fields, this book examines how South Korea's distinctive path of modernisation is reshaping both the tangible and intangible aspects of its society. Organised around four key themes—Gender and the Media Landscape, Religion and Social Movements, the Ethno-racial Landscape, and the Traditional Landscape—it presents diverse perspectives on the interconnected forces driving rapid societal change. Together, these insights offer a nuanced understanding of one of the world's most dynamic societies. This book is an essential resource for scholars, students, and practitioners in South Korean and East Asian studies, as well as the broader disciplines of cultural geography, anthropology, and sociology. Niki Alsford is Professor of Anthropology and Human Geography at the University of Central Lancashire, UK. His present work bridges cognitive divides in environmental discussions by integrating traditional ecological knowledge with climate science. His current ethnographic fieldwork focuses on the Haenyeo, female freediving harvesters of Jeju Island, South Korea. Nora Kim is Professor of Sociology at the University of Mary Washington, US. Her research explores the impact of US imperialism in Asia. Her recent works are published at positions: asia critique and Journal of Refugee Studies. She is currently writing a book, Subimperial Embrace: Trans/Formation of South Korea's Refugee Landscape.