

**The City as Fulcrum of Global Sustainability***Ernest J. Yanarella and Richard S. Levine***Pub Date:** September 2011**Binding:** Hardback**Price:** £60 / \$99**ISBN:** 9780857287724**Extent:** 318 pages**Size:** 229 x 152mm / 9 x 6**Illustrations:** 36+ images, figures and tables**Category:** SOCIAL SCIENCE /
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A practical response to some of this century's global woes, with proposals for long- and short-term solutions to issues of sustainability around the world.

'This book is timely, well referenced and comprehensive, presenting the Sustainable Area Budget of a city and its hinterlands as the decision space within which to foster interaction and collaboration in designing an as-yet-untold future.'
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'This book stands almost alone in the literature on sustainability in correctly proclaiming the role of our built environment – cities, towns and villages – as the lifestyle-defining, energy- and transport-solving, climate-stability-achieving foundation of any structure – physical or strategic – we might hope to build and live in and through. How to get there? Read it and get busy.'
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— *Bill Ferguson, 'Sustainability: The Journal of Record'*

Outlining a robust strategy for sustainable city-regions that has emerged from over two-and-a-half decades of theoretical and practical work, ***The City as Fulcrum of Global Sustainability*** cuts through the received wisdom and popular misunderstanding surrounding sustainability to demonstrate how global problems can best be addressed at the local-regional scale. Featuring an array of case studies – focusing on both strong and weak examples of sustainable cities – the text delivers a bold message to the urban planners of tomorrow: only the road less traveled holds real promise of creating sustainable city-regions, with this journey requiring the balanced guidance of ecological and technological conviviality.

Readership: A key title for undergraduate students studying environmental policy, activists of environmental and sustainability movements, and concerned citizens seeking a better world.

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