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# low carbon cities transforming urban systems

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'From the author who gave us the tour-de-force account of urban sustainability, *The Principles of Green Urbanism*, comes another timely read. Steffen Lehmann has assembled some of the best environmental urban minds in this new anthology that will become essential for all those who are looking for viable and sustainable solutions.'

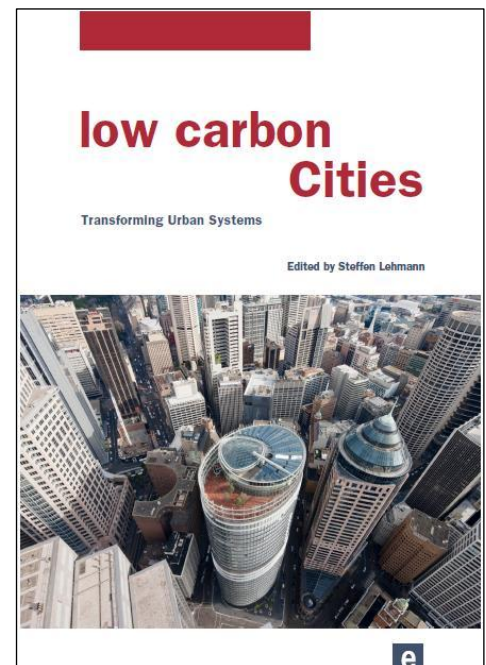
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## About the book

This book will be published in January 2014 as one of the *Earthscan Book Series on Sustainable Design*, edited by Steffen Lehmann. The series is distributed globally and appreciated as a textbook by students, practitioners and academics. Two volumes in the series, *Designing for Zero Waste* and *Motivating Change*, have already been published.

*Low Carbon Cities* presents 25 important texts as a primary resource that is aimed at professionals, students and scholars in architecture, urban planning and design. The book explores some of the underlying dimensions of the transformation of existing cities and the design of low carbon cities in theory and practice, with reference to sustainable design, social and individual values, public space, housing affordability, public transport, urban micro climates and consumption. It concentrates on the required transformation of urban systems and planning/design practices for a low carbon future. There is a particular focus on rapid urbanisation in Asia and the needs of cities in the Asia-Pacific region.

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'For too long, the international debate about "green" building has been far too object-focused. That is why *Low Carbon Cities: Transforming Urban Systems* is of utmost importance.'

*Ulf Meyer, architecture journalist, Berlin*

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