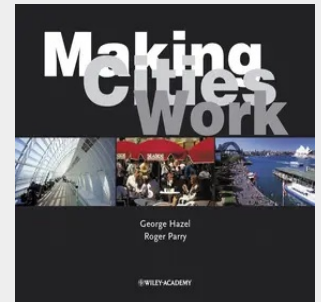


Making Cities Work

Examining the characteristics that make cities pleasant and practical places in which to live and work, this book makes a serious contribution to the debate on what makes some cities work better than others. Featuring 30 individual case studies which focus on getting to, enjoying and moving around a city it also identifies "urban heroes": those individuals who have led particularly successful projects in urban improvement throughout the world. * The book gives practical examples of successful urban improvement projects throughout the world * It proves that a great deal of difference can be made through relatively small effective initiatives * Beautifully illustrated with full-colour photographs throughout * Should be an ideal reference for city and urban planners as well as transport planners and executive. Includes the following case studies: Venice - A case study illustrating ARRIVING in an ancient city. Are there modern examples of this classic response to the needs of a city? * Gardemoen Airport - Oslo * TGV Stations - Avignon, Valence, Aix * Chep Lap Kok - Hong Kong * Transport Interchange - Bangor/Belfast * Bus Station - Gothenburg * Grand Central Station - New York * Oriente Railway Station - Lisbon * Yokohama Passenger Ferry Terminal * Salamanca Railway Station Venice - A case study illustrating ENJOYING an ancient city. Are there modern examples of this classic response to the needs of a city? * Marbella Old Town - Marbella * South Bank - Brisbane * Copenhagen City Centre * Faneuil Hall/Quincy Market - Boston * Underground Shopping Mall - Toronto * Road Art - South Africa * New Ramblas - Barcelona * The Rocks/Circular Quay - Sydney * Vancouver Waterfront * Glasgow City Centre * Post Office Square - Boston Venice - A case study illustrating MOVING AROUND an ancient city. Are there modern examples of this classic response to the needs of a city? * Greenways - Edinburgh * The Legible City - Bristol * Curitiba Bus System - Curitiba * LRT - Strasbourg * Street Car/MAX - Portland, Oregon * Magic Bus - Montgomery County, USA * Cycling - Groningen * Busway - Brisbane * National Community Car Clubs - Switzerland * Ultra, Cardiff

More than 2,000 million people now live in cities: a third of the world's population. In 50 years' time, it is estimated that this will rise to 5,000 million. Whilst cities can inspire social, technological and artistic innovations, they can equally foster depressing collections of poverty, disease and crime. Every effort must be made to improve the quality of city life for the many to whom it is a chore. This book demonstrates ways this can be done. Making Cities Work showcases 28 initiatives from around the world that have enhanced the quality of urban life. The projects are presented in three sections, each tackling a different area of the urban design challenge. The first, 'Arriving in the City', profiles some of the world's most successful gateways and transport interchanges. Cities are, by their very nature, not just places where people live, but destinations that many more visit for a brief period, and first impressions count. The second section, 'Enjoying the City', highlights the ingenious approaches that can be taken to parks, shopping malls and public spaces, demonstrating that it is a large number of small-scale amenities that make a city fun. Finally, 'Getting Around the City' addresses what is the biggest challenge for most urban leaders - how to move people around in safety, comfort and speed. This is the area where political trade-offs are at their most acute - the pedestrian versus the car, pollution versus speed of travel, buildings versus roads. From Yokohama Ferry Terminal to the TGV stations of southern France; from Brisbane's South Bank to Copenhagen's city squares; and from Bristol's Legible City to cycling in Groningen - these are ideas in action. A series of profiles of the 'Urban Heroes' who championed many of these projects reaffirms the fact that an individual with vision and drive, who is able to galvanise support, can make a big difference to the lives of many. Cities are products of human innovation and application. The solution to urban problems must also come from the fertile human imagination. This book is an attempt to get that imagination fired up



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