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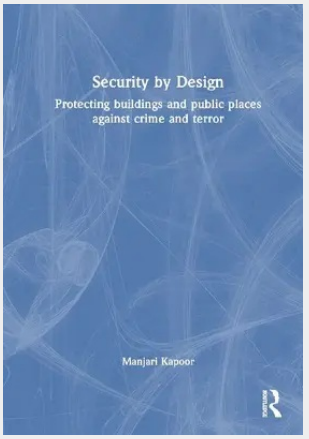
Security by Design

Protecting Buildings and Public Places Against Crime and Terror



This is a book about the intersection of architecture and security, about effective crime prevention and counterterror using the built form. While security professionals continue their strive towards alleviating our fear of crimes, and whilst methodologies like CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) have demonstrated the impact of design on prevention of crime over the last five decades, too many built environment professionals are not aware of these strategies. This book starts with the premise that there is a huge role for the design fraternity (namely architects and planners) in achieving realistic, efficient and permanent results, and ultimately in creating a safer world. It seeks to present such strategies in a palatable way and encourage professionals to incorporate security thinking into their design process as second nature. Combining international case studies including One World Trade Centre, New York; WHO Headquarters Extension Building, Geneva; and the Akshardham Temple, New Delhi, along with numerous examples from the author's professional career, this book offers a systematic approach to integrating security into built environment design for easy adoption by architects, planners, security professionals and policymakers.

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