

# Regions, Cities and the Circular Economy

### Theory and Practice

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An array of expert contributors emphasise the critical role of individuals and communities in transitioning toward a circular society, establishing the importance of local actions alongside stakeholder and societal engagement.

This engaging book is an essential read for scholars of geography, economics and urban and city planning. It is also an excellent resource for policymakers and those making key organisational decisions at both local and national levels.'

- Jakob Kapeller, Heterodox Economics Newsletter

'Moving from a linear to a circular economic model is complex. Different solutions are needed in different places. This book focuses on cities and regions, providing important insights into the geographical elements that must be considered at the local scale to achieve global change.'

- Brian Baldassarre, Circular Economy Research and Policymaking

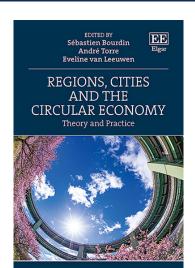
'According to the United Nations, by 2050, 70 percent of the world's population is likely to live in urban areas. Cities are currently responsible for 75 percent of natural resource consumption, 50 percent of global waste, and 70 percent of CO2 emissions. To promote more sustainable urban development, new economic models need to be implemented. This book therefore has the merit of shedding light on the role that a circular economy model can play in the transition of cities and territorial entities to more sustainable trajectories.'

- Andrea Urbinati, LIUC Cattaneo University, Italy

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