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ABOUT THE BOOK

As one of the fastest growing cities in Europe, London has become a mass generator of employment and a magnet for inward migration. Yet London is also a divided city, whose expansion has generated many planning challenges.

This book explores the tensions, complexities and difficulties in mobilizing policy agendas in London, but it also argues that public policy still matters and makes a significant difference to outcomes. The authors show how the market-led development of London has meant that the state supports more private-sector-led governance and this has given rise to widespread privatization of the city's decision-making processes and policy implementation. As a key command and control centre in the global economy, London's privatized model has become one for other megacities to emulate.

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REVIEW

“This book brings together public regulation and property market activity under the lens of urban planning, providing fresh data, sharp observations and meticulous research. A must-read to understand what shapes new residential landscapes in global cities like London today beyond property market crises.” - *Tuna Tasan-Kok, Chair of Urban Governance and Planning, University of Amsterdam*

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