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The Other Side of Resilience to Terrorism

A Portrait of a Resilient-Healthy City

- Using an ethnographic approach, this book shows the importance of social perceptions, the role of culture -- whether it be ethnical or organizational, and the professional interpretations of urban and social vulnerabilities, public resilience, and safety and security from various points of view
- Takes readers on a journey through the traces and signs of the other side of resilience, showing the importance of change and considering resilience as a social competence that can influence communicative and operative practices in cases of crisis or disaster
- Presents two compelling theoretical and methodological models to enhance public resilience related to public health and its assessment of t

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