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Cities in Africa, Asia and Latin America contain some of the world's most life and health threatening human environments. Environment-related diseases and injuries cause millions of preventable deaths each year. In many squatter settlements, children are 40 to 50 times more likely to die before the age of five than they would be in Europe or North America and most such deaths are environment-related. Many cities are also causing serious environmental degradation to their surroundings and increasingly contributing to global warming.

This updated and much expanded edition of the classic ***Environmental Problems in an Urbanizing World***, published by Earthscan on 23rd August 2001, describes environmental problems and their effect on human health, local ecosystems and global cycles. It points to the political causes that underpin many of these problems – including ineffective, unaccountable governments and aid agencies' reluctance to work with the urban poor. It also highlights innovative solutions such as:

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