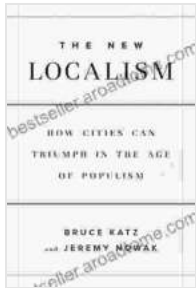


How Cities Can Thrive In The Age Of Populism

In his new book, *How Cities Can Thrive In The Age Of Populism*, Benjamin Barber argues that cities are the key to fighting populism and building a more just and sustainable world.



The New Localism: How Cities Can Thrive in the Age of Populism by Bruce Katz

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Barber contends that populism is a symptom of the decline of traditional forms of democracy. In the past, people could rely on institutions like political parties, unions, and the media to represent their interests. But these institutions have become increasingly corrupt and unresponsive, leaving people feeling disenfranchised and angry.

Cities, on the other hand, are places where people can come together to solve problems and build a better future. They are often more diverse and tolerant than rural areas, and they have a greater capacity for innovation and entrepreneurship.

Barber cites several examples of cities that are leading the way in the fight against populism. In Barcelona, for example, the city government has implemented a number of policies to promote affordable housing, public transportation, and renewable energy. These policies have helped to create a more just and sustainable city, and they have also strengthened the city's economy.

In New York City, the mayor has launched a number of initiatives to address the city's homelessness crisis. These initiatives include providing more affordable housing, increasing mental health services, and creating new job training programs. These initiatives have helped to reduce homelessness in the city, and they have also made the city a more compassionate place.

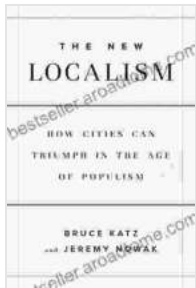
Barber argues that cities are not just the victims of populism. They are also the key to defeating it. By investing in affordable housing, public transportation, renewable energy, and other progressive policies, cities can create a more just and sustainable world that is less susceptible to the appeals of populists.

How Cities Can Thrive In The Age Of Populism is a timely and important book. It offers a clear-eyed analysis of the rise of populism and a hopeful vision for the future. Barber argues that cities are the key to building a more just and sustainable world, and he provides a roadmap for how to achieve this goal.

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* ****Image 1:**** A group of people gathered in a city square, holding signs that say "Affordable Housing Now!" and "Green New Deal." * ****Image 2:**** A

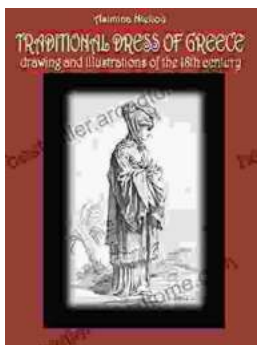
city skyline with a rainbow flag flying in the foreground. * **Image 3:** A group of people working together to build a community garden.



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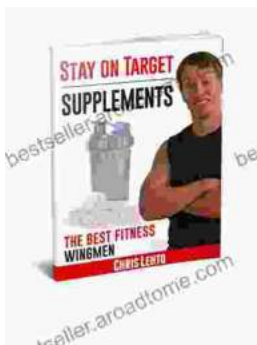
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