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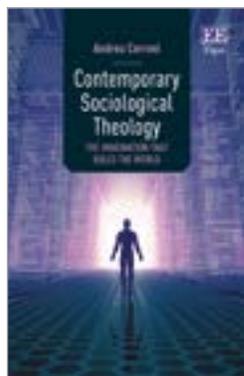
Contemporary Sociological Theology

The Imagination that Rules the World

Andrea Cerroni, University of Milan-Bicocca, Italy

'This book serves as testimony to the power of the historical imagination. Cerroni demonstrates a remarkable ability to navigate between the Ancient and Modern Canon. His reconstruction of the Greek myths compels us to rethink the sociology of modernity.'

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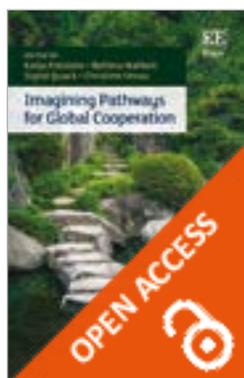
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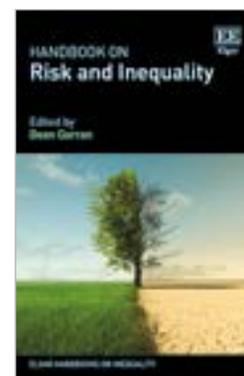
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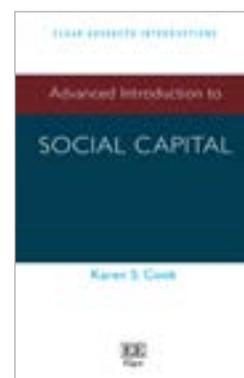
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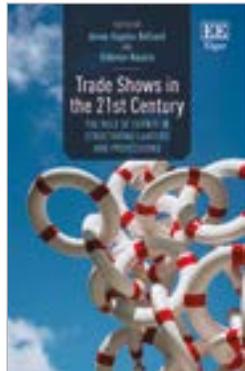
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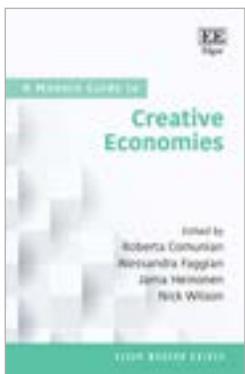
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'A Modern Guide to Creative Economies is essential reading for considering and reflecting on how we build healthy, equitable and sustainable conditions for the creation, celebration and exchange of human expression. The book, and its collection of brilliant essays, offers fresh insight that will inspire scholars, students, and leaders in arts and culture to ask new and different questions and ultimately to imagine possibilities for not just growing our creative economies, but also for sustaining the humans who are critical for creative expression to thrive'

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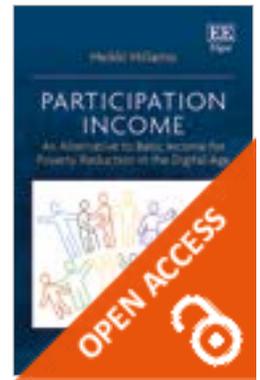
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Heikki Hiilamo, University of Helsinki and Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare, Finland

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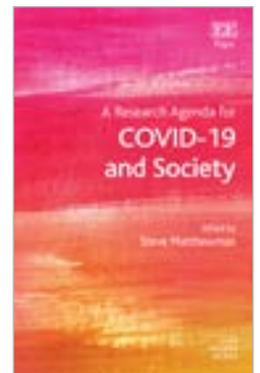
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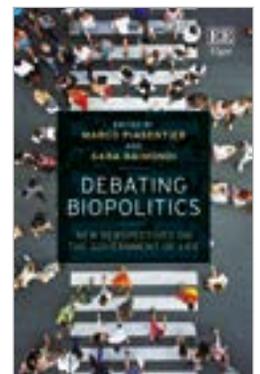
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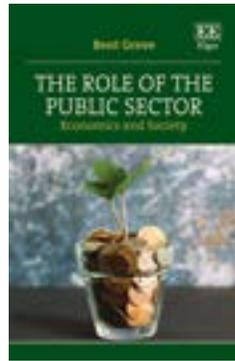
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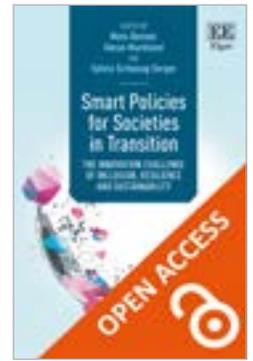
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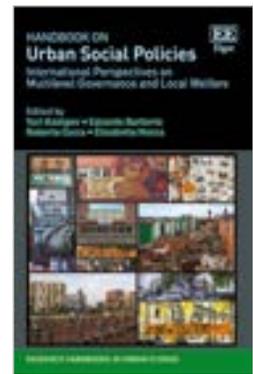
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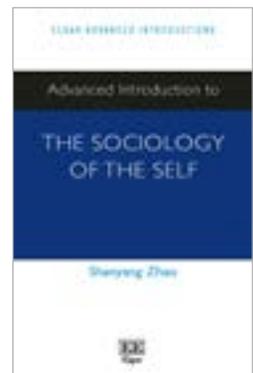
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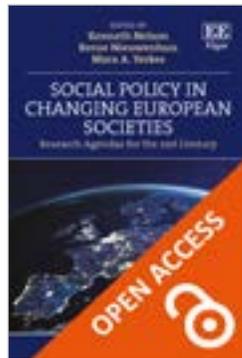
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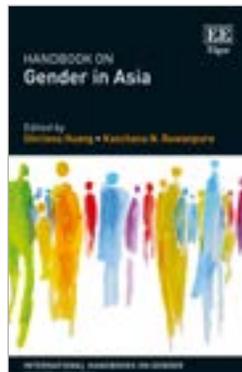
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