



## The Cure for Catastrophe: How We Can Stop Manufacturing Natural Disasters (Hardback)

By Robert Muir-Wood

Oneworld Publications, United Kingdom, 2016. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Hurricanes, tsunamis, earthquakes, typhoons - we watch in horror before springing into action with aid and support, shocked again and again by the destructive power of the earth. Except these disasters aren't only the earth's doing, they are ours too. Why did no one consider that a tsunami could disable the nuclear power plants in Fukushima? Why did so many die when Katrina flooded New Orleans? Not so long ago we could only focus on rescuing and sheltering survivors - now we can anticipate many natural disasters and plan for them. In dozens of cities around the world, we're able to identify the specific buildings that will be shaken apart, blown down or reduced to rubble. Yet every year, thanks to politics and inertia, we fail to act. Traversing continents and history, Robert Muir-Wood blends gripping storytelling with scientific insights to detail our efforts to tame the most extreme forces of nature. At the frontlines, the predictive powers of new technologies mean we can foresee a future where there is an end to the pain and destruction wrought by these devastating cataclysms. As...



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