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Embedded in the impressive mountain scenery of the Tyrol, a new urban landscape is emerging. YEAN, a group of young architects and planners, is presenting a new concept: TirolCITY.

TirolCITY presents the 'Land im Gebirg' – Land in the Mountains – as a continuous conurbation. In particular, the 'Inntal' and its adjoining valleys display some of the characteristic features of urban agglomerations: high density, infrastructural and economic complexity and functional differentiation. While the historic centres have long stagnated as pedestrian precincts, a mixture of shopping, leisure, industrial, and residential zones is filling up the spaces in between those centres. The book anticipates on the new image of the Tyrol in texts, graphics and photographs, and provides external contributions from Yona Friedman, David Hamers, Winy Maas, Wolfgang Pfefferkorn and Arno Ritter.

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is a collaborative venture between European architects and regional planners based in Bordeaux [Cédric Ramière, Claudia Staubmann], Rotterdam [Pia Kronberger, Kersten Nabielek] and Vienna [Wolfgang Andexlinger, Stefan Mayr]. YEAN investigates current spatial phenomena at the local, regional and international levels and develops innovative research methods for a more dynamic approach to planning.

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The book TirolCITY is available at www.folioverlag.com.

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