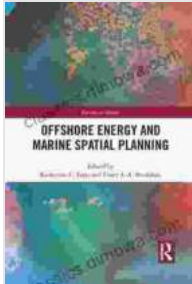


# Offshore Energy and Marine Spatial Planning: A Blueprint for Sustainable Ocean Management



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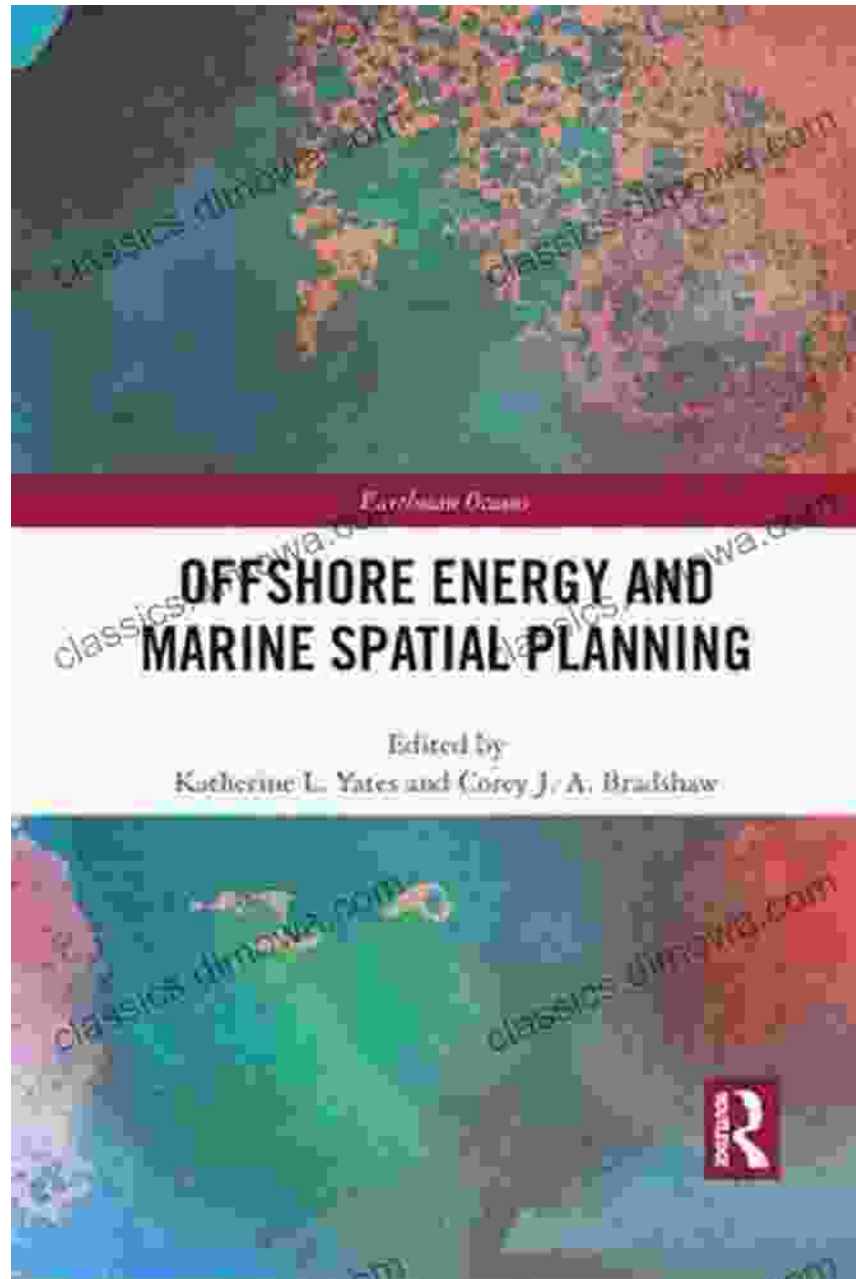
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- Collaboration between energy developers, policymakers, and environmental organizations

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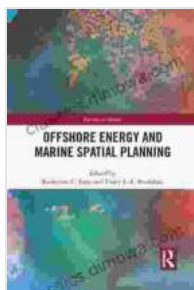
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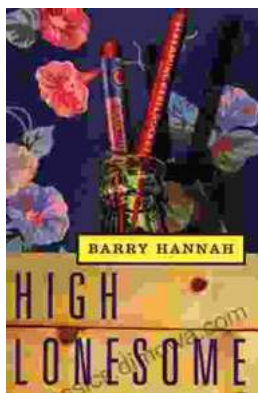
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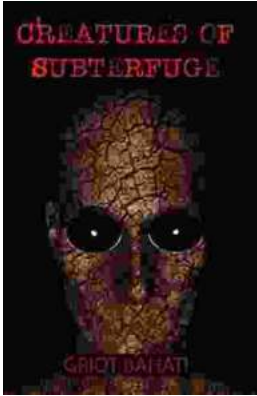
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