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Un essai qui plaide pour la fin des grandes m tropolises et pour un red coupage du territoire associant ville et campagne.

Our megalopolises are experiencing unbounded expansion, becoming cluttered with skyscrapers, malls, cars, gated communities, and slums. Should we favor smaller cities while shrinking those that are too big? Is there a "right size" when it comes to cities, and a "good scale" when it comes to the territories we live in?

In an essay teeming with ideas, Thierry Paquot intertwines demography, geohistory, urbanism, and ecology, leading readers through a maze of concepts and experiments from Plato to the present day, from shrinking American cities to Fourier's communes, and the garden cities of Ebenezer Howard.
