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This book represents a collective international effort which is intended to serve the needs of people dealing with the effective management of the environment in different countries of the world. The purpose of the book is to provide an overview of the interrelated, interdisciplinary and international aspects needed to be dealt with, in order to successfully manage increasingly serious environmental problems. The intended audience of the book is those individuals who are responsible for making decisions regarding the management and control of environmental problems, including policy-makers, legislators, managers, company presidents, as well as individuals in environmental protection authorities, state agencies, non-governmental organizations, trade unions, etc. Ten pages of the book are devoted to noise as an environmental problem. The major sources of environmental noise are described: motor vehicle noise, noise from high-speed trains, airport and aircraft noise, and external noise from manufacturing plants. Selected approaches are then presented of the remedial actions that can be taken to reduce the noise from the major sources.