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This book deals with a highly topical area: the protection of broadcasters’ rights. It is an area in which the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) has been working to draft a new treaty and has now reached the final stage for conclusion of the treaty.

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