Record Nr. UNINA9910130795503321 Historia Norwegie / / edited by Inger Ekrem and Lars Boje Mortensen; **Titolo** translated by Peter Fischer Pubbl/distr/stampa Copenhagen:,: Museum Tusculanum Press,, 2003 **ISBN** 87-7289-813-5 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (245 pages); : digital, PDF file(s) 948.101 Disciplina Norway History To 1030 Early works to 1800 Soggetti Lingua di pubblicazione **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (pages 226-235) and index. Nota di contenuto Preface --Introduction --1. Contents and Structure --2. Date and Place --3. Style and Narrative --4 The Manuscripts --5. Transmission of the Text --6. Conclusion --7. Editorial Principles --The Latin Text (IE, LBM) & English translation (PF) --Commentary --Essay on Date and Purpose --Bibliography --Index nominum. The fragmentary medieval chronicle is the oldest piece of historical Sommario/riassunto writing from Norway, and probably our first specimen of Norwegian literature. It was composed in Latin in the second half of the twelfth century, perhaps in the Oslo area. Only the beginning of the work exists today, but it offers, among other things, a detailed report of a shamanic séance among the Sami as well as a unique early geographical description of Norway and the North Sea realm. Furthermore, we are presented with an early version of the Norwegian kings' genealogy, beginning with the mythical Yngling kings and ending, abruptly, with Olav Haraldsson's claim to the throne in 1015. This is the first critical edition of the Latin text since 1880. accompanied by a modern English translation by Peter Fisher. The introduction and full commentary in English take stock of previous

scholarships and are new contributions to the interpretation of the text.