1. Record Nr. UNINA9910162662603321 Autore Howe K. J (Novelist) Titolo The freedom broker / / K.J. Howe Pubbl/distr/stampa Quercus **ISBN** 1-68144-302-3 Disciplina 813/.6 Soggetti Kidnapping Hostage negotiations Rescue work Suspense fiction Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Kidnap-and-rescue negotiator Thea Paris' worst nightmare comes true Sommario/riassunto when her father is kidnapped and the only way to rescue him may involve an unthinkable sacrifice Kidnap negotiator Thea Paris has spent her entire life with survivor's guilt, following an unspeakable childhood tragedy. At eight years old, she watched, frozen in fear, as her twelve-year-old brother, Nikos, was abducted from their home in Kanzi, Africa. Although he was recovered nine months later, he was never the same after that; worse, Thea discovers that she was supposed to have been the target. This defining experience drives Thea to become one of the top operatives in the field of kidnap-and-ransom consultancy. Nicknamed "Liberata" because she once secured the release of a captive from the Sicilian mob without her client paying a cent, she travels the globe trying to bring hostages home--mostly through negotiation, but occasionally through more

forceful means. She is very good at her job.