Record Nr. UNINA9910255021903321 The Development of Railway Technology in East Asia in Comparative **Titolo** Perspective / / edited by Minoru Sawai Pubbl/distr/stampa Singapore:,: Springer Singapore:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2017 **ISBN** 981-10-4904-1 Edizione [1st ed. 2017.] 1 online resource (153 pages): illustrations, tables Descrizione fisica Studies in Economic History, , 2364-1797 Collana Disciplina 625.1 Soggetti Economic history World history **Economic History** World History, Global and Transnational History History of Japan Japan History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes bibliographical references at the end of each chapters and Nota di bibliografia index. Nota di contenuto Chapter 1: Introduction -- Chapter 2: Railway Engineers of the Japanese Empire and the Significance of Collaborative R & D Activities -- Chapter 3: Diversification and Convergence: The Development of Locomotive Technology in Meiji Japan -- Chapter 4: Railway Technology of South Manchurian Railways and Workers in China --Chapter 5: Innovation in Power Sources for Taiwan's Railways in the Period of US Aid (1950-1965) -- Chapter 6: A Comparison of Railway Nationalization Between Two Empires: Germany and Japan. This is the first book to examine the process of railway development in Sommario/riassunto Japan, Korea, Taiwan, and China from historical and comparative perspectives. Moreover, it discusses and compares the East Asian experiences of railway development with cases in Germany, which was a mainstay of railway development in Europe. After the opening of Japan in the mid-nineteenth century, the country achieved import substitution of locomotives in half a century. This book explores the social capability of Meiji Japan to overtake the advanced countries in

railway technology. Parallel with the expansion of the Japanese empire,

a large team of engineers constructed and operated the colonial government railways of Taiwan and Korea and the South Manchuria Railway. The book clearly outlines the education and training of these engineers. The management capabilities of the colonial railways and South Manchuria Railway were transferred to the postwar period, and such expertise supported the economic development of each country and region. These dramatic East Asian experiences of railway development are compared with European cases, mainly German railways.