Record Nr. UNINA9910299810003321 Autore Mell Julie L Titolo The Myth of the Medieval Jewish Moneylender: Volume II / / by Julie L. Mell Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pubbl/distr/stampa Macmillan, , 2018 **ISBN** 3-319-34186-3 Edizione [1st ed. 2018.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (XX, 264 p. 20 illus.) Collana Palgrave Studies in Cultural and Intellectual History 940.902 Disciplina Europe—History—476-1492 Soggetti Labor—History Social history History of Medieval Europe Labor History Social History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Chapter 1 The Discourse of Usury and the Jewish Usurer in medieval France -- .Chapter 2 Commercialization among the Jewish Merchants of Marseille -- .Chapter 3 From Gift Exchange to Profit Economy reconsidered: Towards a Cultural History of Money -- .Conclusion 'Which is the Merchant here? And which the Jew?'. Sommario/riassunto This book challenges a common historical narrative, which portrays medieval Jews as moneylenders who filled an essential economic role in Europe. Where Volume I traced the development of the narrative in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries and refuted it with an in-depth study of English Jewry, Volume II explores the significance of dissolving the Jewish narrative for European history. It extends the study from England to northern France, the Mediterranean, and central Europe and deploys the methodologies of legal, cultural, and religious history alongside economic history. Each chapter offers a novel interpretation of key topics, such as the Christian usury campaign, the commercial revolution, and gift economy / profit economy, to demonstrate how the

revision of Jewish history leads to new insights in European history. .