Record Nr. UNINA9910300161403321 Autore Cavallaro Umberto Titolo The Race to the Moon Chronicled in Stamps, Postcards, and Postmarks: A Story of Puffery vs. the Pragmatic / / by Umberto Cavallaro Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, Pubbl/distr/stampa 2018 **ISBN** 3-319-92153-3 Edizione [1st ed. 2018.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (349 pages) Collana Space Exploration Disciplina 629,409 Soggetti Astronomy Space sciences History Russia—History Europe, Eastern—History United States—History Popular Science in Astronomy Space Sciences (including Extraterrestrial Physics, Space Exploration and Astronautics) Popular Science in History Russian, Soviet, and East European History **US** History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Chapter 1: Sputnik Triggers the USSR-USA Space Race -- Chapter 2: Nota di contenuto Man in Space -- Chapter 3: Astronaut Sits in the Driver's Seat --Chapter 4: Two Tragedies Block the Space Race -- Chapter 5: The Final Leap -- Chapter 6: Apollo 11 - Astrophilatelic Aspects -- References -- Glossary -- Index. The story of the famed race to the Moon between the US and the USSR Sommario/riassunto has been told countless times. The strategies of these two superpowers have often been paralleled in a way that highlights their fight for dominance and efforts to develop needed new technologies. This book will show how beneath these surface similarities, the two competing

nations employed very different core tactics. It provides a new

perspective of the history of the space race by analyzing that history through philately - that is, from the images on postage stamps, post cards, and letters in circulation at that time. Through this fascinating historical visual record, the author shows how the propaganda-heavy approach of the USSR eventually lost out to the more pragmatic approach of the United States.