Record Nr. UNINA9910311934703321 Autore O'Hanlon Michael E. Titolo The Future of Land Warfare / Michael E. O'Hanlon Pubbl/distr/stampa Washington, D.C.:,: Brookings Institution Press,, 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 0-8157-2691-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (270 p.) Collana Geopolitics in the 21st century Disciplina 355/.033573 Soggetti War - Forecasting Military art and science - Forecasting Military planning - United States Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Introduction: historical, strategic, and technological context --Conflicts real, latent, and imaginable -- Scenarios with Russia or China -- Scenarios in South Asia, the Middle East, Africa, and the Americas --Toward an army of the future for the United States -- The case for a million-soldier U.S. Army. What happens if we bet too heavily on unmanned systems, cyber Sommario/riassunto warfare, and special operations in our defense? In today's U.S. defense policy debates, big land wars are out. Drones, cyber weapons, special forces, and space weapons are in. Accordingly, Pentagon budget cuts have honed in on the army and ground forces: this, after the long wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, seems like an appealing idea. No one really wants American boots on the ground in bloody conflicts abroad. But it is not so easy to simply declare an end to messy land wars. A survey of

the world's trouble spots suggests that land war