1. Record Nr. UNINA9910337673303321 Autore Saith Ashwani Titolo Ajit Singh of Cambridge and Chandigarh: An Intellectual Biography of the Radical Sikh Economist / / by Ashwani Saith Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pubbl/distr/stampa Macmillan, , 2019 **ISBN** 3-030-12422-3 Edizione [1st ed. 2019.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (491 pages) Collana Palgrave Studies in the History of Economic Thought, , 2662-6578 338.9 Disciplina 330.92 Soggetti **Economic history** Development economics Economic development **Economic policy Economics** Schools of economics History of Economic Thought/Methodology **Development Economics Development Studies** Political Economy/Economic Systems **Heterodox Economics** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia 1. The Early Years: Forging the Imaginary -- 2. Washington, First Stop: Nota di contenuto Sikhism, Racism, and Steel -- 3. Berkeley, The Launch Pad -- 4. Cambridge: Home From Home -- 5. Faculty Wars -- 6. King of Queens' -- 7. Economics as Concentrated Politics -- 8. Punjab in the Soul -- 9. A Man For All Seasons -- 10. Cambridge to the End: The Final Battle. This book examines the life and work of Ajit Singh (1940-2015), a Sommario/riassunto leading radical post-Keynesian applied economist who made major contributions to the policy-oriented study of both developed and developing economies, and was a key figure in the life and evolution of

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invariably rigorous, Ajit Singh made highly significant contributions to industrial economics, corporate governance and finance, and stock markets – developing empirically sound refutations of neoclassical tenets. He was much respected for his challenges both to orthodox economics, and to the one-size-fits-all free-market policy prescriptions of the Bretton Woods institutions in relation to lateindustrialising developing economies. Throughout his career, Ajit remained an analyst and apostle of State-enabled accelerated industrialisation as the key to transformative development in the postcolonial Global South. The author traces Ajit Singh's radical perspectives to their roots in the early post-colonial nationalist societal aspirations for self-determination and autonomous and rapid egalitarian development – whether in his native Punjab, India, or the third world – and further explores the nuanced interface between Ajit's simultaneous affinity, seemingly paradoxical, both with socialism and Sikhism. This intellectual biography will appeal to students and researchers in Development Economics, History of Economic Thought, Development Studies, and Post-Keynesian Economics, as well as to policy makers and development practitioners in the fields of industrialisation, development and finance within the strategic framework of contemporary globalisation.