Record Nr. UNINA9910337866803321 Autore **Bronner Stephen Eric** Titolo A Rumor about the Jews: Conspiracy, Anti-Semitism, and the Protocols of Zion / / by Stephen Eric Bronner Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan, , 2019 **ISBN** 3-319-95396-6 Edizione [2nd ed. 2019.] 1 online resource (178 pages) Descrizione fisica 305.8924 Disciplina Soggetti Political theory Religion and politics **Judaism** Political Theory Politics and Religion Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction -- 2. Antisemitism for Popular Consumption: Selections from the Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion -- 3. The Text in Context: The Protocols and the Varieties of Antisemitism -- 4. The Tale of a Forgery: Inventing the Protocols -- 5. Spreading the News: The Protocols Triumphant -- 6. Intermezzo: American Populism and the Jews -- 7. The Legacy of a Lie: Contemporary Antisemitism and Its Future. Sommario/riassunto "A coherent treatment of a complex issue and its most significant secular document...Bronner may have written the best short book on anti-Semitism." —Kirkus Reviews "In his scholarly yet highly readable account of the history of this infamous work, Stephen Eric Bronner does a great service not only to those who fight against anti-Semitism, but those who fight against contemporary political fanaticism..." —Jewish Currents "A fascinating, readable, and most worthwhile addition to the literature." —H-Net "[A Rumor About the Jews] places The Protocols of the Elders of Zion within a broader framework, arguing effectively that

acceptance of the notorious forgery had as much to do with reactions against liberalism and democracy as it did with anti-Semitism...this

book makes an original and valuable contribution to the literature." — John A. Drobnicki, Library Journal In its portrayal of Judaism as a worldwide conspiracy dedicated to the destruction of Christian civilization, the Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion remains one of the most infamous documents ever written. Despite being proven a crude forgery, the pamphlet managed to pervade twentieth-century thinking, often being twisted to suit its handlers' purposes, and to justify the most extreme persecution of the Jews. In A Rumor About the Jews, Stephen Eric Bronner provides a history of this notorious fabrication—one which has renewed salience in a "post truth" society dominated by "fake news"—and explores its influence on right-wing movements throughout the twentieth century and the ongoing appeal of bigotry. This new edition of Bronner's 2000 classic (described by Kirkus as "the best short book on anti-Semitism") expands the arguments of the first edition, bringing the work up to date in a new political context.