Record Nr. UNINA9910370045203321 Autore Lawrence Andrew Titolo South Africa's Energy Transition / / by Andrew Lawrence Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pivot, 2020 3-030-18903-1 **ISBN** Edizione [1st ed. 2020.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (184 pages) Collana **Progressive Energy Policy** Disciplina 333.790968 Soggetti Environment **Energy policy** Energy and state **Energy security** Environmental sociology Environmental geography **Environment Studies** Energy Policy, Economics and Management **Energy Security Environmental Sociology Environmental Geography** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Chapter 1. Introduction -- Chapter 2. Competing paradigms for Nota di contenuto understanding energy transitions -- Chapter 3. Eskom and the Dual Character of the South African State -- Chapter 4. Non-RE alternative energies: nuclear, geothermal, fracking and offshore gas -- Chapter 5. REIPPPP: Renewables' Rise, or REIPPPP RIP? -- Chapter 6. Conclusion: Just an Energy Transition - or a Just Transition? -- References. Sommario/riassunto This book provides a succinct overview of the evolution of policies addressing energy and climate justice in South Africa. Drawing on a range of analytical perspectives, including socio-technical studies, just transitions, and critical political economy, it explains why South Africa's energy transition from a coal-dependent, centralised power generation

and distribution system has been so slow, and reveals the types of

socio-political inequalities that persist across regimes and energy sources. Topics explored include critical approaches to the South African state and its state-owned energy provider, Eskom; the political ecologies of coal and water; the politics of non-renewable energy alternatives; as well as the trajectory and fate of the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producers Procurement Programme (REIPPPP), the country's major renewable energy policy. The book concludes with reflections on alternative, neglected energy and development paths, suggesting how the political economy of South Africa's energy system could be further transformed for the better.