Record Nr. UNINA9910407714003321 Autore Thompson William R Titolo Power Concentration in World Politics: The Political Economy of Systemic Leadership, Growth, and Conflict / / by William R. Thompson Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, Pubbl/distr/stampa 2020 **ISBN** 3-030-47422-4 Edizione [1st ed. 2020.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (245 pages) Collana World-Systems Evolution and Global Futures, , 2522-0985 909.82 Disciplina 909 Soggetti Political economy Political leadership Economic growth Peace International Political Economy Political Leadership **Economic Growth Conflict Studies** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Space, Time and Systemic Leadership -- Demography, Long Cycles, and Climate/Disease -- Historical Scripts, Leadership Sequencing, and Counterfactuals -- Clustering of Technological Change in Pioneer Economics -- Energy Leads and Transitions -- Malign Versus Benign Motivations -- Economic Rivalry and Global War -- Precipitants, Nonlinearities, and Structural Change -- Trade, Growth, and Conflict --Summary and Recapitulation. This book discusses the role of space, time and cyclical behavior in Sommario/riassunto world politics. More specifically, the political-economic role of lead economies – the world's most innovative economies for finite periods of time – in world politics. These represent unusual concentrations of new technologies, energy sources, and military capabilities of global reach that play disproportional roles in the conduct of international

affairs and the provision of limited governance at the most macro level.

They also possess close links to economic growth and intense conflict. The book describes the economic, military and political processes behind the systemic leadership of a state at the international level. It also highlights the economic preconditions of systemic leadership, such as economic monopoly of new technologies and energy, which underlie the system leader's material advantage over others. Analyzing lead economies and the evolution of power over a number of centuries, the author demonstrates how disruptions wrought by the emergence of new technologies and energy sources are partly responsible for global conflicts. This book appeals to international relations scholars as well as anyone interested in the political economy of systemic leadership, growth, and conflict in world politics.