1. Record Nr. UNINA9910411948903321 Autore Leopardi Francesco Saverio **Titolo** The Palestinian Left and Its Decline [[electronic resource]]: Loyal Opposition / / by Francesco Saverio Leopardi Pubbl/distr/stampa Singapore:,: Springer Singapore:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan,, 2020 **ISBN** 981-15-4339-9 Edizione [1st ed. 2020.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (296 pages) 303.34 Disciplina Soggetti Peace Political leadership World politics Middle Eastern Politics **Conflict Studies** Political Leadership Political History **Peace Studies** Middle East Politics and government Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Chapter 1: Introduction: The Popular Front for the Liberation of Nota di contenuto Palestine Between Marxism and the Nation -- Chapter 2: Out of Beirut: Years of Split -- Chapter 3: Imagining an 'Axis of Resistance': The PFLP' s Foreign Policy in the Mid-1980s -- Chapter 4: The First Intifada: Initial Opportunities, Final Marginalization -- Chapter 5: The Advent of the Peace Process: From Rejection to Acceptance of the 'Palestinian Versailles' -- Chapter 6: The Al-Agsa Intifada and after: Resurfacing Contradictions and Final Marginalization -- Chapter 7: Paths of Renewal and Decline: The PFLP and Leftist Trajectories Across Time --Chapter 8: Conclusion: The Unescapable Marginalisation. This book examines the history of the Palestinian Left by focusing on Sommario/riassunto the trajectory of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) during its declining phase. Relying on a substantial corpus of primary

sources, this study illustrates how the PFLP's political agency

contributed to its own marginalisation within the Palestinian national movement. Following the 1982 eviction of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) from Lebanon, the bases of the PFLP's opposition to Fatah's primacy in the national movement were jeopardised. This book argues that the PFLP's «loyalty» to the PLO institutional and political framework prevented the formulation of a real counterhegemonic political project. This drove the PFLP's action to suffer a fundamental contradiction undermining its stance within the national movement. In the attempt to continue its opposition to Fatah, while maintaining integration in the Palestinian mainstream, the PFLP's agency fluctuated, compromising its effectiveness and credibility. Apparently irreversible, the PFLP's marginalisation is a factor fostering the current Palestinian impasse, as no alternative is emerging to break the thirteen-year long Hamas-Fatah polarisation.