Record Nr. UNINA9910452927403321 Autore Arakaki Tomoko Titolo Evidentials in Ryukyuan [[electronic resource]]: the Shuri variety of Luchuan: a typological and theoretical study of grammatical evidentiality / / by Tomoko Arakaki Leiden;; Boston,: Brill, 2013 Pubbl/distr/stampa 90-04-25340-8 **ISBN** Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (207 p.) Brill's Studies in Language, Cognition and Culture;; vol. 4 Collana Disciplina 495.6 Soggetti Japanese language - Dialects - History Ryukyuan language - Dialects Ryukyuan language - Grammar, Comparative - Japanese Ryukyuan language - Grammar Ryukyuan language Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Monografia Livello bibliografico Note generali Revised edition of the author's Ph.D thesis from University of Edinburgh, 2011; titled Evidentials in the Shuri Dialect of Luchuan (Ryukyuan), published under the name Tomoko Arakaki Shimabukuro. Includes index. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Preliminary Material -- 1 Introduction -- 2 The Direct Evidential -- 3 Inferential and Assumed Evidentials -- 4 The Reportative Evidential --5 Evidentiality as a Grammatical Category -- 6 Conclusions --References -- Index. Sommario/riassunto Evidentiality, the linguistic category which marks the source of the speaker's information, has often been overlooked in studies of Luchuan (Ryukyuan), the only sister language of Japanese. In this book, Arakaki provides the first comprehensive analysis of Luchuan evidentials. She proposes that Luchuan has a grammatical evidential system which contains one Direct evidential and three indirect evidentials (Inference, Assumed, and Reportative). The discussion includes cross-linguistic

> issues such as how evidentiality is related to epistemic modality, with the intention that this work should constitute a contribution to the typological and theoretical study of evidentiality. This work will open

new horizons for the study of evidentiality.