Record Nr. UNINA9910460510703321 Autore Hockx Michel Titolo Internet literature in China / / Michel Hockx Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, New York; ; West Sussex, England: ,: Columbia University Press, , 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 0-231-53853-7 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (268 p.) Collana Global Chinese Culture Disciplina 895.109/006 Chinese literature - 21st century - History and criticism Soggetti Literature and the Internet - China Literature and technology - China Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Front matter -- CONTENTS -- Acknowledgments -- Note on Online Sources -- Introduction -- One. Internet Literature in China History, Technology, and Conventions -- Two. Linear Innovations Chen Cun and Other Chroniclers -- Three. The Bottom Line Online Fiction and Post socialist Publishing -- Four. Online Poetry in and out of China, in Chinese, or with Chinese -- Conclusion -- Notes -- Bibliography --Index Sommario/riassunto Since the 1990's, Chinese literary enthusiasts have explored new spaces for creative expression online, giving rise to a modern genre that has transformed Chinese culture and society. Ranging from the self-consciously avant-garde to the pornographic, web-based writing has introduced innovative forms, themes, and practices into Chinese literature and its aesthetic traditions. Conducting the first comprehensive survey in English of this phenomenon, Michel Hockx describes in detail the types of Chinese literature taking shape right now online and their novel aesthetic, political, and ideological challenges. Offering a unique portal into post socialist Chinese culture,

he presents a complex portrait of internet culture and control in China that avoids one-dimensional representations of oppression. The

Chinese government still strictly regulates the publishing world, yet it is growing increasingly tolerant of internet literature and its publishing practices while still drawing a clear yet ever-shifting ideological bottom line. Hockx interviews online authors, publishers, and censors, capturing the convergence of mass media, creativity, censorship, and free speech that is upending traditional hierarchies and conventions within China-and across Asia.