Record Nr. UNINA9910460972303321 Autore Sedighi Anousha Titolo Agreement restrictions in Persian [[electronic resource] /] / Anousha Sedighi [Leiden], : Leiden University Press, 2010 Pubbl/distr/stampa 1-283-23196-4 **ISBN** 9786613231963 94-006-0015-1 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (144 p.) Collana Iranian studies series Disciplina 491.555 Persian language - Agreement Soggetti Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction -- 2. Animacy and agreement restriction in Persian --3. Psychological verbs and multiple subject constructions -- 4. Psychological verbs in Persian and applied arguments -- 5. Concluding remarks. Sommario/riassunto Agreement Restrictions in Persian is the first comprehensive attempt to tackle the issue of verbal agreement in Persian from a cross-linguistic point of view. Persian is a field of research within theoretical linguistics that is yet to be sufficiently explored. This book adopts the Minimalist Program of Chomsky (1995-2004) which is at the forefront of recent theories of formal syntax and applies it to the Persian language. Although it is commonly believed that in Persian the verb agrees with the subject, several constructions seem to constrain this obligatory rule. Adopting the framework of Distributed Morphology, the author argues that agreement is in fact obtained with the plural inanimate subjects but a morphological rule may block the result. Unlike the previous analyses which consider the experiencer as the subject of the psychological constructions, the author argues that the psychological state is the subject of the sentence. The findings of this book not only contribute to better understanding of Persian syntax, but also have important implications for grammar theory.