Record Nr. UNINA9910476830303321 Autore Louis Marieke Titolo Why international organizations hate politics: depoliticizing the world / / Marieke Louis and Lucile Maertens Abingdon, Oxon;; New York:,: Routledge,, 2021 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-429-46698-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource Collana Global institutions 341.2 Disciplina Soggetti International agencies Organizational behavior Political participation World politics Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Introduction: Depoliticizing the world -- Asserting expertise and pledging technical solutions -- Formatting neutrality -- Gaining time and losing momentum -- Following a functional-pragmatic path --Monopolizing legitimacy -- Avoiding responsibility -- Conclusion: The politics of IO (de)politicization. Sommario/riassunto "Building on the concept of depoliticization, this book provides a first systematic analysis of International Organizations (IO) apolitical claims. It shows that depoliticization sustains IO everyday activities while allowing them to remain engaged in politics, even when they pretend not to. Delving into the inner dynamics of global governance, this book develops an analytical framework on why IO "hate" politics by bringing together practices and logics of depoliticization in a wide variety of historical, geographic and organizational contexts. With multiple case studies in the fields of labor rights and economic regulation, environmental protection, development and humanitarian aid, peacekeeping, this book shows that depoliticization is enacted in a series of overlapping, sometimes mundane, practices resulting from the complex interaction between professional habits, organizational

> cultures and individual tactics. By approaching the consequences of these practices in terms of logics, the book addresses the instrumental

dimension of depoliticization without assuming that IO actors necessarily intend to depoliticize their action or global problems"--