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Sommario/riassunto	This book analyzes the progress of the MSRI, highlights the political and economic factors affecting its realization, and offers insights into the political and economic implications of China's endeavor. It focuses specifically on countries within Africa and the Middle East to provide a basis for a substantive examination of these issues in a manner sensitive to the milieu in individual countries and relevant regions. It represents the final volume in a well-received series on China's Maritime Silk Road Initiative (MSRI), which, so far, includes books

covering China's MSRI and South Asia (Palgrave, 2018) and China's MSRI and Southeast Asia (Palgrave, 2019). This book will interest scholars of China, international relations, and the relevant regions, journalists, and policymakers. Jean-Marc F. Blanchard is Founding Executive Director of the Mr. & Mrs. S.H. Wong Center for the Study of Multinational Corporations (USA) and Distinguished Professor, School of Advanced International and Area Studies, East China Normal University (China). Two of his recent edited book publications relate to China's Maritime Silk Road Initiative. One is China's Maritime Silk Road and Southeast Asia (Palgrave, 2019) and the other is China's Maritime Silk Road Initiative and South Asia (Palgrave, 2018). Dr. Blanchard has orchestrated three special issues on China's MSRI in leading journals. Prior to his career in academia, Dr. Blanchard worked for the U.S. Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the U.S. Resolution Trust Corporation, and Kelling, Northcross, & Nobriga.
