Record Nr. UNINA9910484888403321 Autore Chapman Edmund **Titolo** The Afterlife of Texts in Translation: Understanding the Messianic in Literature / / by Edmund Chapman Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pivot, Pubbl/distr/stampa , 2019 **ISBN** 9783030324520 3030324524 Edizione [1st ed. 2019.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (145 pages) Disciplina 418.02 418.0401 Soggetti Comparative literature Literature Postmodernism Adaptation (Literary, artistic, etc.) Translating and interpreting Comparative Literature World Literature Post-Modern Philosophy **Adaptation Studies** Language Translation Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Chapter One: Introduction -- Chapter Two: Afterlife -- Chapter Three: Nota di contenuto The Overtext -- Chapter Four: Language, Judgment, Colonialism --Chapter Five: The Messianic -- Chapter Six: Pierre Menard, Messianic Translator -- Chapter Seven: Conclusion: Overliving and the Encounter with the Other.

Sommario/riassunto

The Afterlife of Texts in Translation: Understanding the Messianic in Literature reads Walter Benjamin's and Jacques Derrida's writings on translation as suggesting that texts exist within a process of continual translation. Understanding Benjamin's and Derrida's concept of 'afterlife' as 'overliving', this book proposes that reading Benjamin's and

Derrida's writings on translation in terms of their wider thought on language and history suggests that textuality itself possesses a 'messianic' quality. Developing this idea in relation to the many rewritings and translations of Don Quijote, particularly the multiple rewritings by Jorge Luis Borges, Edmund Chapman asserts that texts consist of a structure of potential for endless translation that continually promises the overcoming of language, history and textuality itself.