Record Nr. UNINA9910672436403321 The politicization of social divisions in post-war Poland / / Piotr **Titolo Borowiec** Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham, Switzerland:,: Palgrave Macmillan,, [2023] ©2023 **ISBN** 9783031265303 9783031265297 Edizione [1st ed. 2023.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (261 pages) Disciplina 327.438 Poland Politics and government 1945-1980 Soggetti Poland Politics and government 1980-1989 Poland Politics and government 1989-Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction -- 2. The First Structural Experiment: Communist-era Homogenisation -- 3. Consequences of the Experiment: the Division between Society and the nomenklatura -- 4. The Second Experiment: the Differentiation of the Social Structure -- 5. Consequences of the Second Experiment: the 'winners' - 'losers' Division -- 6. The Formation of Social Divisions and the Theory of Practices of Repartition -- 7. Conclusion. The monograph examines the sources of Polish social divisions. It Sommario/riassunto explains their emergence and discusses the mechanisms behind their evolution from 1945-2022. The findings corroborate the idea that divisions were formed irrespective of the current state of social hierarchy, or the accepted interpretation of justice, and that they existed both in totalitarian and democratic systems alike. The book distinguishes the category of divisions from the practices of repartition, and demonstrates that the repartitions discussed in a political discourse do not generate divisions, but constitute the politicization of the latter. Repartitions are understood as discursive, dichotomic juxtapositions that result from the existence of divisions and can be used as political tools. It has been demonstrated that they can also

function as analytical categories used with a view to determining the state of social inequalities. The notions of divisions and repartitions discussed in this volume confirm the existence of the continuity of changes and describe the evolution of Polish society has a consequence. Piotr Borowiec is Head of the Department of Theory and Methodology of Politics at the Institute of Political Science and International Relations, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland. He is the editor-in-chief of the international journal Teoria Polityki and author and co-author of over 70 articles on the sociology of politics, political theory, and methodology, as well as seven monographs.