1. Record Nr. UNINA9910778198103321 Autore Smyser W. R. <1931-2018.> Titolo Kennedy and the Berlin Wall [[electronic resource]]: "a hell of a lot better than a war" / W.R. Smyser Lanham, Md., : Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, c2009 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-282-49769-3 9786612497698 0-7425-9978-7 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (313 p.) 973.922092 Disciplina Soggetti Berlin Wall, Berlin, Germany, 1961-1989 United States Foreign relations Soviet Union Soviet Union Foreign relations United States United States Foreign relations Germany (West) Germany (West) Foreign relations United States Berlin (Germany) International status Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. 253-287) and index. Nota di contenuto "Ich bin ein Berliner" -- "A bone in my throat" -- "Let the word go forth" -- "Alas, Mr. Ambassador, we shall die together" -- "I never met a man like that" -- "This is the answer!" -- "The East Germans have done us a favor" -- "I am not afraid of escalation" -- "The game continues" --"We'll talk the problem to death" -- "This may end in a big war" --"Treaties are like maidens and roses" -- "We'll never have another day like this" -- "Our hope is the Ami" -- "We are the people." Sommario/riassunto The Berlin Wall Crisis dominated the presidency of John F. Kennedy from his inauguration in 1961 until his historic trip to the city in June 1963. W.R. Smyser's Kennedy and the Berlin Wall offers new insights into the Berlin events that riveted global attention, especially as Soviet and American tanks faced each other at point-blank range over ""Checkpoint Charlie."" Drawing on his experience as an American diplomat in Berlin at the time; personal interviews; memoirs; and Soviet, East German, and American documents, Smyse