Record Nr. UNINA9910779172403321 Contractors and war: the transformation of US expeditionary **Titolo** operations / / editors, Christopher Kinsey, Malcolm Hugh Patterson Pubbl/distr/stampa Stanford, CA,: Stanford University Press, 2012 **ISBN** 0-8047-8293-8 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (353 p.) Altri autori (Persone) KinseyChristopher PattersonMalcolm Hugh <1959-> Disciplina 355.6/2120973 Soggetti Defense contracts - United States Contracting out - United States Government contractors - United States Private military companies - United States **United States Armed Forces Procurement** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Contents -- Acknowledgments -- Introduction -- 1. Overview of American Government Expeditionary Operations Utilizing Private Contractors -- 2. Attitudes on the Ground: What Soldiers Think about Civilian Contractors -- 3. Looking Beyond Irag: Contractors in US Global Activities -- 4. The Elephant in the Room -- 5. Sharing the Same Space: The Evolving Relationship between US NGOs, Battlefield Contractors, and US Armed Forces -- 6. PMSCs and Risk in Counterinsurgency Warfare -- 7. Contractors and the Law -- 8. Contractors' Wars and the Commission on Wartime Contracting -- 9. Private Contractors, Public Consequences: The Need for an Effective Criminal Justice Framework -- 10. How to Decide When a Contractor Source Is Better to Use Than a Government Source -- 11. Reforming the US Approach to Stabilization and Reconstruction Operations -- 12. Contractors Supporting Military Operations: Many Challenges Remain -- Conclusion -- Contributors -- Index Sommario/riassunto The U.S. military is no longer based on a Cold War self-sufficient

> model. Today's armed forces are a third smaller than they were during the Cold War, and yet are expected to do as much if not more than they

did during those years. As a result, a transformation is occurring in the way the U.S. government expects the military to conduct operations—with much of that transformation contingent on the use of contractors to deliver support to the armed forces during military campaigns and afterwards. Contractors and War explains the reasons behind this transformation and evaluates how the private sector will shape and be shaped by future operations. The authors are drawn from a range of policy, legislative, military, legal, and academic backgrounds. They lay out the philosophical arguments supporting the use of contractors in combat and stabilization operations and present a spectrum of arguments that support and criticize emergent private sector roles. The book provides fresh policy guidance to those who will research, direct, and carry out future deployments.