Record Nr. UNINA9910780359503321 Autore Gallup John Luke Titolo Is geography destiny? :: lessons from Latin America / / John Luke Gallup, Alejandro Gaviria, Eduardo Lora Palo Alto, Calif.:,: Stanford University Press Pubbl/distr/stampa Washington, DC:,: World Bank,, [2003] copyright 2003 **ISBN** 1-280-08643-2 9786610086436 0-8213-8367-1 0-585-47957-7 Descrizione fisica xiv, 171 pages: illustrations;; 23 cm Collana Latin American development forum Altri autori (Persone) GaviriaAlejandro <1966-> LoraEduardo Disciplina 330.98 Soggetti Economic geography Latin America Economic conditions 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. 151-161) and index. Nota di contenuto Cover; Title Page; Latin American Development Forum Series; About the Authors; Contents; Preface; Introduction: Is Geography Destiny?; 1 The Channels of Influence of Geography: Latin America from an International Perspective; Notes; 2 The Other Side of the Mountain: The Influence of Geography within Countries; Notes; 3 Policies to Overcome the Limitations of Geography: Notes: Abbreviations and Acronyms: Bibliography; Index; Back Cover For decades, the prevailing sentiment was that since geography is Sommario/riassunto unchangeable, there is no reason why public policies should take it into account. In fact, charges that geographic interpretations of development were deterministic, or even racist, made the subject a virtual taboo in academic and policymaking circles alike. Is Geography Destiny? Challenges that premise and joins a growing body of literature studying the links between geography and development. Focusing on Latin America, the book argues that based on a better understanding of

geography, public policy can help control or channel i