Record Nr. UNINA9910781731103321 Igniting innovation: : rethinking the role of government in emerging **Titolo** Europe and Central Asia / / Itzhak Goldberg ... [and others] Pubbl/distr/stampa Washington, D.C.:,: World Bank,, c2011 **ISBN** 1-283-30062-1 9786613300621 0-8213-8741-3 xviii, 165 pages: illustrations (some color), map (some color);; 26 cm Descrizione fisica Altri autori (Persone) Goldbergltzhak <1947-> Disciplina 338/.064094 Soggetti Research, Industrial - Economic aspects Endowment of research - Europe Endowment of research - Asia Government spending policy Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia "Europe and Central Asia Region." Note generali Includes bibliographical references (p. 157-165). Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Contents; Foreword; Acknowledgments; Contributors; Abbreviations; Overview; 1. Why innovation matters-and what the government should do about it; 2. Acquiring technology from abroad-leveraging the resources of foreign investors and inventors; 3. Connecting research to firms-options for reforming the public RDIs; 4. Bringing innovations to market-boosting private incentives through public instruments; References; Boxes; Figures; Tables Sommario/riassunto Innovation and technology absorption are now firmly recognized as one of the main sources of economic growth for emerging and advanced economies alike. That is why innovation is seen as a possible catalyst for revitalizing post-transition economies hit hard by the recent financial and economic crisis. Is government intervention needed to foster innovation in post-transition economies? This is the central question to which this book responds. The answer is yes, but a qualified yes. Innovation activities are rife with market failures that tend to hold back private investment. And badly designed o