Record Nr. UNINA9910781931203321 Encounters of body and soul in contemporary religious practices **Titolo** [[electronic resource]]: anthropological reflections / / edited by Anna Fedele and Ruy Llera Blanes New York, : Berghahn Books, 2011 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-283-32645-0 9786613326454 0-85745-207-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (240 p.) EASA series;; 16 Collana Altri autori (Persone) FedeleAnna BlanesRuy Llera <1976-> Disciplina 202/.2 Soggetti Human body - Religious aspects 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 and index. Nota di contenuto pt. I. Bodies and souls in catholic settings -- pt. II. Corporeality, belief and human mobility -- pt. III. New spiritualities challenging the body/soul divide. Social scientists and philosophers confronted with religious phenomena Sommario/riassunto have always been challenged to find a proper way to describe the spiritual experiences of the social group they were studying. The influence of the Cartesian dualism of body and mind (or soul) led to a distinction between non-material, spiritual experiences (i.e., related to the soul) and physical, mechanical experiences (i.e., related to the body). However, recent developments in medical science on the one hand and challenges to universalist conceptions of belief and

spirituality on the other have resulted in "body" and "