1. Record Nr. UNINA9910782075003321 Autore Boterbloem Kees **Titolo** Life and death under Stalin [[electronic resource]]: Kalinin Province, 1945-1953 / / Kees Boterbloem Montreal; ; Ithaca, : McGill-Queen's University Press, c1999 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-282-85782-7 9786612857829 0-7735-6759-3 xxv, 435 p.: map;; 24 cm Descrizione fisica Disciplina 947/.240842 HISTORY / Russia & the Former Soviet Union Soggetti Russia History Kaliningradskaja oblast (Russia) History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Note generali Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Front Matter -- Contents -- Tables -- Acknowledgments -- Note on Nota di contenuto Translation and Transcription -- Introduction -- The Background --Before 1941 -- Ruin and Recovery -- The Postwar Years -- The View from Above: The Communists -- Party and People -- Victims: The Penal System -- The Towns: Economy and Society -- The Countryside: Economy and Society -- Exodus: Migration and Urbanization --Conclusion -- A Note on Sources -- Notes -- Glossary of Russian Terms -- Bibliography -- Index Sommario/riassunto The first Western scholar to have access to the records of the Communist Party of the Kalinin province, Boterbloem supplements archival evidence with published accounts and interviews with those who survived the last years of Stalin's life, taking us into their lives. Covering a wide range of topics, such as industry, agriculture, party affairs, repression, and education, Life and Death under Stalin looks at the complicated relationship between the political elite of the Communist Party, its rank and file members, and the Russian population during what was perhaps the grimmest period in Soviet

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