Record Nr. UNINA9910787092303321 Autore Munene Ishmael I. **Titolo** Multicampus university systems: Africa and the Kenyan experience / / Ishmael I. Munene Pubbl/distr/stampa New York:,: Routledge,, 2015 **ISBN** 1-135-94946-8 0-203-65984-8 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (185 p.) Routledge Research in International and Comparative Education;; 9 Collana EDU043000EDU015000EDU034000 Classificazione Disciplina 621.389303 Universities and colleges - Africa Soggetti Higher education and state - Africa Universities and colleges - Kenya Higher education and state - Kenya 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 Cover : Title Page Copyright Page **Table of Contents** : List of Figures : List of ; List of Abbreviations **Tables** : Preface : 1 From the Ecclesiastical to the : Acknowledgments Multiversity: The Historical Evolution of the African University 2 Mapping the Center and the Periphery: Theoretical Perspectives and Methodology Governance: The New Centralism versus Decentralization ; 4 Finance: Revenue Diversification and Control 5 Quality: The Subordination of Scholarship 6 Equity and Access: The Privatized Campus and Unequal Opportunities 7 Concluding Thoughts: Reframing the Multicampus University : References ; Index Sommario/riassunto "In the face of increasing social demand and cutbacks in state budgetary support, universities in African countries are now turning towards a multi-campus system strategy. As African governments have adopted neo-liberal education policies that lay premium on entrepreneurialism, profit making, privatization, and markets as drivers of university development, a reshaping of the academic work and

organizational framework have taken place. However, little is known about the impact of this paradigm shift on access, quality and governance in higher education. This book fills the void in research and academic knowledge about the emerging university configurations in Africa. It analyzes the paradox surrounding the performance of multicampus university systems, avenues of broadening university access but whose structural success may be qualitatively contested. This book offers a refreshing examination of the African multi-campus university system from both an African and global perspective. It makes use of empirical data from Kenya collected during extensive fieldwork along with substantive library and documentary resources on the rest of the continents to fortify arguments and demonstrate important conclusions. This allows for a comparative analysis of policies and strategies used in the establishment of campuses, both within and beyond national boundaries in the continent, and will be a welcome contribution to the existing repertoire on African universities."--