Record Nr. UNINA9910787490303321 The mirroure of the worlde : : a Middle English translation of Le miroir **Titolo** du monde / / edited with introduction, notes, and glossary by Robert R. Raymo and Elaine E. Whitaker; with the assistance of Ruth E. Sternglantz Pubbl/distr/stampa Toronto, [Ontario];; Buffalo, [New York];; London, [England]:,: Published for the Medieval Academy of America by the University of Toronto Press, , 2003 ©2003 ISBN 1-4426-5914-9 1-4426-2102-8 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (655 pages) Collana Medieval Academy Books; Number 106 241 Disciplina Soggetti Christian ethics Conscience, Examination of Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Frontmatter -- Contents -- Acknowledgments -- Abbreviations and Nota di contenuto Sigla -- Introduction -- The Mirroure of the Worlds -- Here Begynneth the Chapitres of the Booke That is Called the Mirroure of the Worlde and That Some Calleth Vice and Vertu. Part 1 -- Here Begynneth The Chapitres Of The Booke That Is Called The Mirroure Of The Worlde And That Some Calleth Vice And Vertu. Part 2 -- Textual Notes --Explanatory Notes -- Glossary -- Bibliography -- Index of Names Sommario/riassunto The allegories of the virtues and vices were a common teaching tool in the Middle Ages for both religious and lay audiences to learn the basic tenets of the Christian faith. The Mirroure of the Worlde makes available for the first time the unique text in the fifteenth-century British manuscript, MS. Bodley 283, which is among the last and largest works in the tradition of lay religious instruction mandated by the Fourth Lateran Council. The Mirroure is derived from conflations of the Miroir du Monde and the Somme le Roi, both vernacular treatises on vices and virtues compiled in Northeast France in the thirteenth

century. Translated into Middle English by, it is believed, Stephen

Scrope, the foremost English translator of the mid-fifteenth century, this edition is one of the only books of virtues and vices that contains Latin text, an inclusion that points towards a more widespread knowledge of the language among the laypeople than previously thought. Complete with explanatory notes and a glossary, The Mirroure of the Worlde widens the understanding of medieval moral instruction, religion, reading practices, and education.