Record Nr. UNINA9910790571103321 Autore Mawere Munyaradzi Titolo Memoirs of an unsung legend, Nemeso [[electronic resource] /] / Munyaradzi Mawere & Cosmas M. Mukombe with Christopher M. Mabeza Bamenda, Cameroon, : Langaa Research & Pub. CIG, c2013 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9956-791-72-5 9956-790-95-8 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (74 p.) Altri autori (Persone) MukombeCosmas M MabezaChristopher M 968.91 Disciplina Soggetti Folk literature, Ndebele (Zimbabwe) Zimbabwe Social life and customs Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di contenuto Culture of the Duma -- Growth of the Duma Chiefdom --Musikavanhu's journey to the Duma -- Mhepo's childhood -- Mhepo's marriage and the birth of Nemeso -- Mhepo escapes with Nemeso --Mutindi's creative genius -- Mhepo flees with Nemeso -- The return of Nemeso -- The reign and magical powers of Nemeso -- Growth of Nemeso's family -- The demise of Nemeso. Sommario/riassunto Nemeso - a four eyed man-lived in southeastern Zimbabwe in the mid-17th century. Stories about him are widely known by the Duma in southeastern Zimbabwe as he left a legacy, a delicious dish - of edible stinkbugs locally named harurwa. These insects, believed to be a gift to Nemeso by the ancestors, thrive in a grove (jiri) where no one has been allowed to meddle since the time of Nemeso, the medium through whom the stinkbugs were gifted to the living by the living-dead. The insects are a source of livelihood for the Duma people and for people beyond, and serve as a drive for forest conservation in the area. The wealthy stories of Nemeso's life have been passed on through oral tradition. This book, generated from an ethnographic reconstitution in

southeastern Zimbabwe, documents the stories in a lively and

fascinating thirst quenching manner.