Record Nr. UNINA9910790956803321 Encountering China: early modern European responses / / edited by **Titolo** Rachana Sachdev and Qingjun Li Pubbl/distr/stampa Lewisburg, Pennsylvania:,: Bucknell University Press Lanham, Maryland: ,: Rowman & Littlefield, , [2012] ©2012 1-61148-439-1 **ISBN** Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (231 p.) Collana Aper©cus: histories texts cultures : a Bucknell series Disciplina 303.48/2405109031 Soggetti Europeans - China - History Travelers' writings, European European literature - Chinese influences Chinese literature - European influences China Description and travel Early works to 1800 China Foreign public opinion, European Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto European responses to child abandonment, sale of children and social welfare policies in Ming China / Rachana Sachdev -- Of golden lilies and gentlewomen: constructions of Chinese women in early modern European travel narratives / Qingjun Li -- Earlier moderns : the novel form as national development in China and Europe / Daniel Dooghan -- "A strong resemblance" : Samuel Richardson, Chinese talent-beauty novels, and a secret origin of "world literature" / Ning Ma -- 'Magicians, enchanters, and professional crooks': early modern understandings of Daoism / Ronnie Littlejohn -- Buddhism and idolatry / Terry Logan Mazurak. Encountering China addresses the responses of early modern travelers Sommario/riassunto to China who, awed by the wealth and sophistication of the society they encountered, attempted primarily to build bridges, to explore similarities, and to emulate the Chinese, though they were also critical of some local traditions and practices.