1. Record Nr. UNINA9910797244403321 Autore Smythe Kathleen R. <1966-> Titolo Africa's past, our future / / Kathleen R. Smythe Pubbl/distr/stampa Bloomington, [Indiana];; Indianapolis, [Indiana]:,: Indiana University Press, , 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 0-253-01661-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (244 p.) Disciplina 960 Soggetti Africa History Africa Civilization Africa Social life and customs Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references at the end of each chapters and Nota di bibliografia index. Nota di contenuto The longue duree -- Humanity's African origins -- Early subsistence : gathering-hunting and agriculture -- Early adaptation : climate change and pastoralism -- New ideas and tradition -- African institutions in the middle time frame -- Forms of political authority: heterarchy --

Forms of social organization: matriliny -- Recent history and politics -- African views on colonialism and development assistance (with Heidi Frontani) -- African contributions: economics, politics, and society (with Heidi Frontani) -- An African success story: Somaliland.

Africa's Past, Our Future engages the history of the African continent through the perspective of global issues such as political instability, economic development, and climate change. Since the past may offer alternative models for thinking about our collective future, this book promotes an appreciation for African social, economic, and political systems that have endured over the long-term and that offer different ways of thinking about a sustainable future. Introducing readers to the

wide variety of sources from which African history is constructed, the

book's ten chapters cover human evolu

Sommario/riassunto