Record Nr. UNINA9910798075603321 Autore Abdi Cawo M. <1970-> **Titolo** Elusive Jannah: the Somali diaspora and a borderless Muslim identity / / Cawo M. Abdi Pubbl/distr/stampa Minneapolis, Minnesota;; London, England:,: University of Minnesota Press, , 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 1-4529-4504-7 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (302 p.) Disciplina 305.893540088297 Soggetti Somali diaspora Somalis - United Arab Emirates - Social conditions Somalis - South Africa - Social conditions Somalis - United States - Social conditions Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Cover; Contents; Acknowledgments; Introduction: Muslim African Refugees and Border Politics: 1 The Genesis of Contemporary Somali Migrations; 2 United Arab Emirates: Partial Belonging and Temporary Visas: 3 South Africa: Insecurity in Racialized Spaces: 4 United States: Slippery Jannah?; Conclusion: Muslim African Refugees in Perpetual Passage; Notes; Index; A; B; C; D; E; F; G; H; I; J; K; L; M; N; O; P; Q; R; S; T; U; V; W; X; Y; Z As a Somali working since high school in the United Arab Emirates. Sommario/riassunto Osman considers himself "blessed" to be in a Muslim country, though citizenship, with the security it offers, remains elusive. For Ardo, smuggled out of Somalia to join her husband in South Africa, insecurities are of a more immediate, physical kind, and her economic prospects and legal status are more uncertain. Adam, in the United States-a destination often imagined as an earthly Eden, or jannah, by so many of his compatriots-now sees heaven in a return to Somalia. The

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